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Dear Consultee

Consultation on a revision to Harbour Order application fees

I am writing to invite views on proposals to revise the fee structure for Harbour Orders (HO) processed by the Marine Management Organisation (MMO) on behalf of the Department for Transport (DfT). HO have been administered by MMO since 2010, through a delegated function from DfT. The DfT and the MMO are jointly seeking your views.

Current fees for applications do not reflect the actual costs to the MMO in determining HO applications nor do they recognise the increased complexity of these applications. The fee structure was last updated 25 years ago in 1994. The consultation is seeking views on options to revise the fee structure.

This consultation document is directed at Local Harbour Authorities and anyone interested in, or involved with harbour activities that take place in England and the Port of Milford Haven (a reserved trust port).

The following documents relating to this consultation may be found on the government website at <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/marine-management-organisation>

- a copy of this letter
- the Consultation document

We welcome your views on the consultation. If you wish to obtain a hard copy of this consultation, please make your request:

By email to: harbourorders@marinemanagement.org.uk

(please mark the subject line as 'Harbour Orders Consultation')

Or send your request to the following address:

Harbour Orders Team
Lancaster House
Newcastle Business Park
Newcastle
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Responses

To submit your response to the consultation you are invited to:

- complete the online consultation questionnaire provided through Citizen Space, <https://consult.defra.gov.uk/mmo/harbour-orders-consultation> – a response through this means would be preferable as it allows for more efficient analysis of responses and a quicker government response to the consultation,
Or if this is not possible
- respond by email to harbourorders@marinemanagement.org.uk or
- in writing to the address given in the section above.

This consultation is open for eight weeks; the deadline for submitting a response is by **midnight on 10th September 2019**.

Consultation Criteria

This consultation is in line with the Consultations Principles. This can be found at <http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/resource-library/consultation-principles-guidance>

Confidentiality and data protection

A summary of responses to this consultation will be published on the Government website at: www.gov.uk/government/organisations/marine-management-organisation. The summary will include a list of organisations that responded **but not** personal names, addresses or other contact details.

Information provided in response to this consultation, including personal information, may be made available to the public on request, in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs). The MMO may also publish the responses to the FOIA/EIR requests on www.gov.uk/government/organisations/marine-management-organisation.

If you want information, including personal information such as your name, that you provide to be treated as confidential, please explain clearly in writing when you provide your response to the consultation why you need to keep these details confidential. If we receive a request for the information under the FOIA or the EIRs we will take full account of your explanation, but we cannot guarantee that confidentiality can be maintained in all circumstances. However, Defra will not permit any unwarranted breach of confidentiality nor will we act in contravention of our obligations under the General Data Protection

Regulation (GDPR). An automatic confidentiality disclaimer generated by your IT system will not, of itself, be regarded as a confidentiality request.

The MMO is the data controller in respect of any personal data that you provide, and the MMO's Personal Information Charter, which gives details of your rights in respect of the handling of your personal data, can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/marine-management-organisation/about/personal-information-charter>

This consultation is being conducted in line with the "Consultation Principles" as set out in the Better Regulation Executive guidance which can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/consultation-principles-guidance>.

If you have any comments or complaints about the consultation process, please address them to:

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Lancaster House
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Yours faithfully

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