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Attn: Ms Lara Moore

Our reference:
HRO/2022/00009

21 May 2025

Dear Ms Moore

Application for the proposed Port of Felixstowe Harbour Revision Order

The Application

1. An application was received by the Marine Management Organisation (“the MMO”) for the proposed Port of Felixstowe Harbour Revision Order (“proposed order”) on 13 September 2022 by Ashfords LLP on behalf of Felixstowe Dock and Railway Company.

MMO consideration

2. The MMO received an email from Ashfords LLP on 17 April 2025, which confirmed that Felixstowe Dock and Railway Company wanted to withdraw the application for the proposed order. The MMO considers that the practical effect of your email is that the application for the proposed order is withdrawn because Felixstowe Dock and Railway Company as the statutory harbour authority no longer supports the application. As such the application cannot be considered as being necessary for the improvement, maintenance or management of the harbour in accordance with Section 14(2) of the Harbours Act 1964.

3. The MMO wrote to you on 30 April 2025 to explain our position and stated that unless we heard anything to the contrary from you by 4pm on Wednesday 14 May 2025 we would consider the application as withdrawn and conclude this matter.

MMO decision

4. No further correspondence has been received from Felixstowe Dock and Railway Company in regard to this matter.

5. By virtue of Section 14(2)(b) of the Harbours Act 1964, a Harbour Revision Order shall not be made in relation to a harbour unless the MMO is satisfied that the making of the order is desirable in the interests of securing the improvement, maintenance or management of the harbour in an efficient and economical manner, or of facilitating the efficient and economical transport of goods or passengers by sea or in the interests of the recreational use of sea-going ships.

6. The MMO considers that Felixstowe Dock and Railway Company as statutory harbour authority no longer supports this application, therefore the order is not desirable in the interests of securing the improvement, maintenance or management of the harbour in an efficient and economical manner, or of facilitating the efficient and economical transport of goods or passengers by sea or in the interests of the recreational use of sea-going ships, and cannot be made. The MMO has therefore decided not to make the order applied for.

Challenges to decisions

7. Information on the right to challenge this decision is set out in Annex I to this letter.

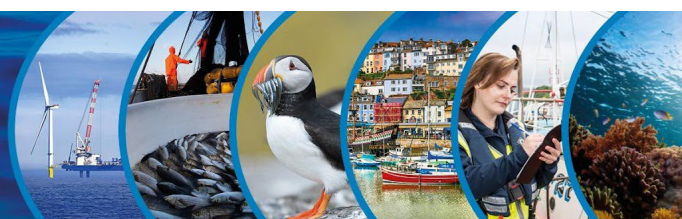
Yours sincerely



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Annex I

Right to challenge decisions

Right to challenge orders made under Sections 14 and 16 of the Harbours Act 1964

Any person who desires to question the making of the Order on the ground that there was no power to make the Order or that a requirement of the Harbours Act 1964 was not complied with in relation to the Order, may within 6 weeks from the date on which the Order becomes operative make an application for that purpose to the High Court.

A person who thinks they may have grounds for challenging the decision to make the Order is advised to seek independent legal advice before taking any action.

