

Associated British Ports

Immingham Eastern Ro-Ro Terminal **(‘IERRT’)**

Consultation on Proposed Changes to DCO Application

Newsletter

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Introduction

This Newsletter updates on our proposals to develop a new three berth Roll-on Roll-off (‘Ro-Ro’) facility in the Port of Immingham since the submission of our application for a Development Consent Order (‘DCO’) on 10 February 2023 (‘the Application’).

Our DCO Application was accepted for Examination on 6 March 2023, and is currently part way through the six-month Examination period - which began on 25 July 2023 and is due to close by 25 January 2024.

As the project has evolved, we have identified four changes that we wish to make to the Application (‘the Proposed Changes’) in order to optimise the scheme.

The Current Position

As noted above, our Application is currently proceeding through Examination and is being thoroughly assessed by the Examining Authority on behalf of the Secretary of State.

The Examination process has enabled us to receive feedback from both the Examining Authority and interested parties. It is through this process that we have been able to identify opportunities to improve the scheme.

As a consequence, we now propose to apply to the Secretary of State, through the Examining Authority, for permission to make four changes to the Application (‘the Proposed Changes’). These are summarised below under the heading ‘Changes to the Scheme’.

Before we submit our request to make the changes, however, we are undertaking a wide-ranging public consultation on those changes.

This consultation will run between **Friday 20 October** and **Sunday 19 November 2023** during which we are inviting written comments on the proposals.

This will give you the opportunity to provide your views on our Proposed Changes – all of which, as you will see, involve changes to the scheme within the Port.

Proposed Changes to the Scheme

The Proposed Changes are summarised below and full details are provided in the ‘Proposed Changes Notification Report’ which will be available to view, free of charge online from **20 October 2023** at: www.abports.co.uk/immroro/consultation.

Proposed Change 1: Realignment of the approach jetty and associated works to the marine infrastructure.

Proposed Change 2: Realignment and shortening of the IERRT internal bridge and consequential works.

Proposed Change 3: Rearrangement of the UK Border Force facilities.

Proposed Change 4: Options for the provision of revised marine impact

protection measures and related works.

Proposed Changes Consultation

We are running the consultation between **Friday 20 October** and **Sunday 19 November 2023 at 23:59pm** during which period we are inviting written comments on the Proposed Changes.

For this purpose, we have prepared a '**Proposed Changes Notification Report**' which describes and provides information about each of the Proposed Changes.

It contains a description of the changes made to the scheme, our rationale and justification for making them, an outline of the implications for environmental effects of the IERRT scheme as well as providing plans showing the current proposals. This can be viewed and downloaded online at: www.abports.co.uk/immroro/consultation.

Further details about how to respond to the Proposed Changes Consultation are provided below, under the section titled 'Submitting Your Views'.

Environmental Impact Assessment

As explained in our previous Newsletters, the IERRT is what is known as Environmental Impact Assessment ('EIA') development for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. ABP was, therefore, required to undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment, and submitted an Environmental Statement as part of the Application. The Environment Statement can be viewed, along with the other documents for the Application, within the Examination

Library online at <https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/TR030007/documents>.

Details of how the Proposed Changes supplement or change the findings in the Environmental Statement for the Application are provided as part of the Proposed Changes Notification Report.

Consultation Materials

The consultation materials for this consultation comprise:

- Proposed Changes Notification Report;
- Notice of Proposed Changes; and
- This Newsletter.

All the consultation materials will be made available from **Friday 20 October 2023** until the end of the consultation period and can be viewed and downloaded online at: www.abports.co.uk/immroro/consultation.

Printed copies of all the consultation materials can be provided upon request by calling us on **Freephone 0808 169 9912**. There may be a reasonable copying charge for certain documents, of up to a maximum of £300. You can also contact us on that number if you have questions about the consultation materials or the consultation process generally.

Consultation Events

ABP will be holding in-person consultation events as follows:

- **For members of the public** at The Old Library, Immingham Civic Centre, Pelham Road, Immingham, DN40 1QF on **Saturday 4 November 2023, 9am to 2pm.**
- **For port users** at Seafarers Centre Immingham, Lockside Road, Immingham Dock, Immingham, DN40 2NN on **Tuesday 31 October 2023, 10am to 4pm.**

Any changes to the above will be posted on the consultation website at: www.abports.co.uk/immroro/consultation.

ABP may also hold online webinar sessions during the consultation period subject to demand. In addition, a free of charge telephone surgery appointment to discuss the scheme can be arranged. If you are interested in either of these please register your interest by emailing us at: immroro@abports.co.uk or calling us on **Freephone 0808 169 9912**.

You can also contact us on that number if you have questions about the consultation materials or the consultation process. More information about the IERRT Development and the consultation can be found at: www.abports.co.uk/immroro/consultation.

Submitting Your Views

You can submit your views on the Proposed Changes Consultation by:

Emailing: immroro@abports.co.uk

Writing to: Associated British Ports, Port of Immingham, Dock Office, Alexandra Road, Immingham Dock, Immingham, North East Lincolnshire, DN40 2LZ (*Quoting Reference: Immingham Eastern Ro-Ro Terminal*)

Calling Freephone 0808 169 9912: to request a pre-paid stamped addressed envelope be sent to you in the post (free of charge) and returning it to us.

Responses

All responses must be received by us **in writing before 23:59pm on Sunday 19 November 2023.**

Responses received after that time may not be considered.

Next Steps

We will consider all responses received to the Proposed Changes Consultation. This will inform our request to the Examining Authority to make changes to the Application which will be submitted in due course.

Questions - If you have any questions about any of the above, please do not hesitate to ask us, using the contact details provided above.