

NtoM 022 - 2026 Updated 08.04.26

River Medway

Adrift Pontoon – Kingsnorth Area

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the pontoon reported as adrift in NtoM 22 of 2026 dated 3rd April, has now been secured to Kingsnorth Jetty. The structure is adjacent to the shoreline in shallow water and attached to the jetty piles. Attempts to fully recover the pontoon will be made during the next spring tide period, a further update to this notice will be published as and when the situation changes.

NtoM 22 of 2026 dated 03.04.2026

Mariners are advised of an adrift mooring pontoon within the River Medway following an reported sighting earlier today. The pontoon, approximately 8 metres in length and 5m in width, is currently grounded on the shoreline to the west of Kingsnorth. It may re-float at high water overnight and therefore may have moved location by daylight tomorrow.



Vessels navigating the River Medway, particularly downstream from Gillingham Reach, are advised to proceed with caution, maintain an enhanced lookout, and be aware that the pontoon may re-enter the navigable channel on the next tide.

Any sightings of the pontoon other than in the current location are to be reported immediately to Medway VTS.

The situation is being monitored, and further action will be taken as required over the weekend.

Further information may be obtained from Medway VTS on VHF Channel 74, call sign “Medway VTS” or telephone 0151 949 6148 or 0151 949 6650 (**recorded lines**).

**Marine Operations Department
Peel Ports London Medway**

Notice Issued:

8th April 2026

Notice Expiry:

19th April 2026