

# NOTICE TO MARINERS



## No. 47 – 2022

# THE SWALE – KINGSFERRY BRIDGE

## Period of Restricted Operation

**Notice is hereby given that:** due to planned industrial action by the rail Union RMT there will be disruption to the operating periods for Kingsferry Bridge. The strikes are planned for Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> of October 2022, however, the impact will also affect periods outside of this day.

Network Rail have implemented contingency plans which will cover part of the disruption, please see below for the bridge operational timetable:

### Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022.

Midnight - 06:00	Normal service will be maintained
06:00 – 07:00	No bridge lifts available
07:00 – 19:00	Contingency operator on shift – Bridge lifts available
19:00 – 06:00 (2 <sup>nd</sup> October)	No bridge lifts available

### Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

Midnight - 06:00	Normal service will be maintained
06:00 – 07:00	No bridge lifts available
07:00 – 19:00	Contingency operator on shift – Bridge lifts available
19:00 – 06:00 (9 <sup>th</sup> October)	No bridge lifts available

### High Water Sheerness

Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	04:30 @ 5.56m	16:43 @ 5.58m
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	00:00 @ 5.74m	12:15 @ 5.58m

Priority will be given to commercial shipping, however, leisure craft will also be able to transit the bridge but it is advised to give as much notice as possible to avoid delays.

If talks between employers and the unions are successful and industrial action is avoided a cancellation notice will be issued.

Admiralty Chart Number 2572 refers.

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 or from Kingsferry Bridge on VHF Channel 10.

**Marine Operations Department  
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**26<sup>th</sup> September 2022**