

# NOTICE TO MARINERS

## No. 59 – 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 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> December 2022 and 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

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

**19:00 Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2022 to 07:00 Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2022**

**No contingency operator - No bridge lifts available**

### **Tuesday 3rd January 2023**

00:00 – 19:00 – Bridge Lifts are available

19:00 – 23:59 – No Bridge lifts available

### **Wednesday 4th January 2023**

00:00 - 0700 – No bridge lifts available

07:00 – 19:00 - Bridge Lifts are available

19:00 – 23:59 – No Bridge lifts available

### **Thursday 5th January**

00:00 - 0700 – No bridge lifts available

07:00 – 23:59 - Bridge Lifts are available

### **Friday 6th January**

00:00 – 19:00 - Bridge Lifts are available

19:00 – 23:59 – No Bridge lifts available

### **Saturday 7th January**

00:00 - 0700 – No bridge lifts available

07:00 – 19:00 - Bridge Lifts are available

19:00 – 23:59 – No Bridge lifts available

### **Sunday 8th January**

00:00 - 0700 – No bridge lifts available

07:00 – 25:59 - Bridge Lifts are available

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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  
Peel Ports London Medway**

**21<sup>st</sup> December 2022**