

KING'S LYNN CONSERVANCY BOARD.



Notice to Mariners No.8/2022

East Coast of England - The Wash

Race Bank Export Cables

Amendments to buoyage:

Withdrawal of "Z6" Isolated Danger Light Buoy

As Competent Harbour Authority the KLCB is responsible for managing the safe operation of navigation and other marine activities in the Harbour and its Approaches. Due to sections of the Race Bank export cable being shallower than the agreed and required depth of burial, it is deemed that any section of cable that has not achieved a burial depth of 1 metre or less to be "**Foul Ground**" and warn all marine users to navigate in this area with extreme caution.

*Foul Ground is defined as "as an area of foul ground, not dangerous to surface navigation, but to be avoided by vessels anchoring, trawling etc".

The chart symbol for foul ground is a pecked line surrounding a # symbol.

Marine Charts also carry the **Submarine Cables and Pipelines Note** which states: "Mariners are advised not to anchor or trawl in the vicinity of submarine cables and pipelines".

The KLCB have conducted a review of the Navigational Risk Assessments associated with the areas of shallow buried Race Bank Export cables that run through our area of jurisdiction, and this review indicates that the small area of shallow buried cables at approximately Kp 17.4 and marked by the isolated Danger light buoy "Z6" in position 52°57'.520 N 000° 19'.165 E has been sufficiently promulgated to marine interests and can be adequately indicated by the existing charted designation of **foul ground**.

Mariners are hereby advised that on Wednesday 23rd March 2022, Z6 light buoy will be permanently withdrawn form station.

The above works will be carried out by the buoying vessel "St Edmund".

Contact the Harbour Office for further information, or by "St Edmund" via VHF Ch 14

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