

## Warrenpoint Harbour Authority Notice to Mariners No. 9 of 2021

## **Dredging Operations in Warrenpoint Port and Approaches**

**Dredging will commence on Tuesday the 4th of January in the Deepwater berths the inner harbour of Warrenpoint Port and Greenore channel.** The dredging campaign will last for approximately of 5 days with the dredger **Hegeman 1** starting on the 5<sup>th</sup> of January **A wide berth and slow speed is requested by all vessels when near the dredging operation.** Mariners should be aware that **this is a 24-hour operation** with considerable activity in the Harbour in addition to numerous return trips through Carlingford Lough by the dredgers.

This dredging campaign will also involve the use of a small plough, **Husky**, which is expected to take an additional 3 days in the Greenore channel all vessels will keep a listen watch on VHF CH 12.

Communication between all vessels is key to a successful and safe campaign. You are requested to communicate <u>directly</u> by VHF Ch12 with the dredger and/ or smaller plough vessel to clarify any movements and passing or meeting situations well in advance.

In addition, all vessels which cannot safely navigate outside of Warrenpoint Channel should give advanced notice to the dredger and other vessels engaged in the dredging campaign when 30 minutes from Hellyhunter buoy inbound or 30 minutes before departing the berth to allow time for the vessels to vacate the channel.

These conditions do not remove the normal VHF calling requirements to Warrenpoint Harbour or a vessels obligation to comply with the Collision Regulations.

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Signed

Michael Young Harbour Master







