

**NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER BY THE PLANNING INSPECTORATE (ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT) UNDER SECTION 56 OF THE PLANNING ACT 2008**

**ASSOCIATED BRITISH PORTS (IMMINGHAM EASTERN RO-RO TERMINAL) DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER**

REGULATION 9 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (APPLICATIONS: PRESCRIBED FORMS AND PROCEDURE) REGULATIONS 2009

REGULATION 16 OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2017

Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State for Transport (“the Secretary of State”) has accepted an application by **ASSOCIATED BRITISH PORTS (“ABP”)** (Company number ZC000195) of **25 BEDFORD STREET, LONDON, WC2E 9ES** (“the Applicant”) for a Development Consent Order under the Planning Act 2008 (“the Application”).

The Application (Reference No. **TR030007**) was received by the Secretary of State c/o the Planning Inspectorate on 10 February 2023 and has now been accepted for examination.

**Summary of the Project:**

The Applicant, ABP, is seeking development consent for the construction and operation of a new three berth Roll-on/Roll-off (“Ro-Ro”) cargo facility in the Port of Immingham, North East Lincolnshire, DN40 2LZ, known as the Immingham Eastern Ro-Ro Terminal (“IERRT”). The proposed IERRT consists of:

**Marine works**

- An approach jetty from the shore linked to two floating pontoons appropriately secured in position
- Two separate finger piers to provide three berths thereby enabling the vessels to berth alongside with their stern ramps resting upon two floating pontoons
- A capital dredge of the new berth pocket
- Disposal of dredged material at sea if no beneficial alternative can be identified
- Possible impact protection measures if required

**Landside works**

- Demolition and redevelopment of a number of existing commercial buildings within the site
- Improvement of the existing cargo storage areas, including resurfacing and provision of new pavements and associated infrastructure
- A terminal building and a small welfare building to provide appropriate facilities for terminal operational and administration staff, lorry drivers and passengers
- A small workshop with fuel station and facilities for UK Border Force
- An internal bridge within the site to cross over Robinson Road and the ABP managed transit sidings
- Related utilities and operational infrastructure
- Creation of a second entrance lane at the Port’s East Gate
- Environmental enhancement

Development Consent is required for the IERRT project to the extent that the development is or forms part of a nationally significant infrastructure project (NSIP) pursuant to sections 14(1)(j) and 24(2) of the Planning Act 2008, being the proposed alteration of a harbour facility the effect of which is expected to be to increase the quantity of material the embarkation or disembarkation of which the facilities are capable of handling by Ro-Ro ships by at least 250,000 units. It is for this reason that the project falls within the remit of the Secretary of State’s decision-making powers.

The Development Consent Order would authorise the compulsory acquisition of interests in land and rights over land, and the powers to use land permanently for the construction and operation of the IERRT. It would also authorise the application and disapplication of certain legislation.

### **Environmental Impact Assessment Development:**

The IERRT constitutes an Environmental Impact Assessment development (“EIA Development”) for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 and accordingly the Application is accompanied by an Environmental Statement (“ES”).

### **Application Documents:**

The application form and accompanying application documents including plans, maps and the ES and Non-technical Summary of the ES (“NTS”) (together the “Application Documents”) can be viewed and downloaded free of charge online on the IERRT webpage of the National Infrastructure Planning website at: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/yorkshire-and-the-humber/immingham-eastern-ro-ro-terminal> under the “Documents” tab.

The Application Documents will be available for inspection online until at least the Secretary of State has made a decision as to whether or not to grant the Development Consent Order and can be reviewed at the following website: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/yorkshire-and-the-humber/immingham-eastern-ro-ro-terminal/?ipcsection=docs>). An electronic copy of the Application Documents can be supplied free of charge by ABP on a USB stick, provided on request. Paper copies of the Application Documents can also be supplied on request, but there will be a reasonable charge for paper copies to cover the cost of printing, packaging and postage up to a maximum charge of £1,500 for a complete set of documents. For any bespoke document reproduction please contact us and we will provide details of the cost.

If you have any questions about the Application Documents, or wish to request copies, you can email [immrora@abports.co.uk](mailto:immrora@abports.co.uk), or write to **Associated British Ports, Port of Immingham, Dock Office, Alexandra Road, Immingham Dock, Immingham, North East Lincolnshire, DN40 2LZ** (Quoting Reference: Immingham Eastern Ro-Ro Terminal), or call **Freephone 0808 169 9912**.

### **Representations:**

The period in which relevant representations are invited to be made to the Planning Inspectorate will end at **23:59pm on 19 April 2023**. Any representations (giving notice of any interest in, or objection to, the Application) **must** be made on the Planning Inspectorate’s Registration and Relevant Representation Form which can be accessed and completed online at: <https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/yorkshire-and-the-humber/immingham-eastern-ro-ro-terminal>.

Submitted representations will be published on the National Infrastructure Planning website for the Application. If you require guidance on, or other methods of, obtaining and completing the Relevant Representation Form, please telephone the Planning Inspectorate on Tel: 0303 444 5000 or e-mail [imminghameasternroroterminal@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:imminghameasternroroterminal@planninginspectorate.gov.uk).

Representations must be received by the Planning Inspectorate by **23:59pm on 19 April 2023**.