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HARBOURS, DOCKS, PIERS AND FERRIES

The Blyth (Extension of Limits) Harbour Revision Order 2025

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Coming into force - -	*2nd June 2025*

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Blyth Harbour Commissioners have applied for a harbour revision order in accordance with section 14(2)(a) of the Harbours Act 1964(**a**) ("the Act").

The Secretary of State, as the appropriate Minister for the purposes of that section, has by an Order(**b**) under section 42A of the Act(**c**) delegated the functions of the appropriate Minister under section 14(**d**) to the Marine Management Organisation(**e**).

(**a**) 1964 c. 40. Section 14 was amended by the Transport Act 1981 (c. 56), section 18 and Schedule 6, paragraphs 2 to 4(1) and 14 and section 40 and Schedule 12 (Part II), by the Transport and Works Act 1992 (c. 42), section 63(1) and Schedule 3, paragraph 1, by S.I. 2006/1177, regulation 2 and the Schedule (Part 1), by the Planning Act 2008 (c. 29), section 36 and Schedule 2, paragraphs 8 and 9, by S.I. 2009/1941, article 2 and Schedule 1, paragraph 12 and by the Criminal Justice Act 1982 (c. 48), sections 37 and 46. Section 54 (orders and regulations) was amended by the Transport Act 1981 (c. 56), sections 18 and 40 and Schedules 6 and 12 (Part II) and by the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 (c. 23), section 315 and Schedule 21, paragraphs 1 and 3(2).

(**b**) S.I. 2010/674.

(**c**) Section 42A was inserted, in relation to England and Wales, by the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 (c. 23) section 315 and Schedule 21, paragraphs 1 and 3(1).

(**d**) For the definition of "the Minister" see section 57(1) of the Harbours Act 1964 (c. 40).

(**e**) The Marine Management Organisation is established by the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 (c. 23), section 1. The head office of the Marine Management Organisation located at Lancaster House, Hampshire Court, Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 7YH.

The Marine Management Organisation, being satisfied as mentioned in section 14(2)(b), and in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14(1) and (3) of the Act, makes the following Order.

PART 1

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Blyth (Extension of Limits) Harbour Revision Order 2025.

(2) This Order comes into force on 2nd June 2025.

(3) The Blyth Harbour Acts and Orders 1858 to 2015(**a**) and this Order may together be cited as the Blyth Harbour Acts and Orders 1858 to 2025.

(4) This Order extends to England and Wales.

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

"the 1986 Act" means the Blyth Harbour Act 1986(**b**);

"Ash Barge Dock" means the area which is shown edged red on the Ash Barge Dock Limits Plan;

"the Ash Barge Dock Limits Plan" means the plan prepared in duplicate, signed on behalf of the Marine Management Organisation and marked "Signed Ash Barge Dock Limits Plan referred to in The Blyth (Extension of Limits) Harbour Revision Order 2025", one copy of which is deposited at the offices of the Marine Management Organisation and one copy at the offices of the Commissioners(**c**), and it is also available electronically on the Commissioners website(**d**);

"the Commissioners" means the Blyth Harbour Commissioners; and

"Trinity House" means the Corporation of Trinity House of Deptford Strond(**e**).

PART 2

Extension of limits of harbour and modification of the 1986 Act

3.—(1) The limits of the harbour as defined in section 11 (limits of jurisdiction) of the 1986 Act are extended to include Ash Barge Dock, as shown on the Ash Barge Dock Limits Plan.

(2) The 1986 Act is accordingly amended as follows.

(3) In section 2 (interpretation) after the first line, insert—

> ""Ash Barge Dock" has the same meaning as in The Blyth (Extension of Limits) Harbour Revision Order 2025;

(**a**) The Blyth Harbour and Dock Act 1858 (c. lxviii), The Blyth Harbour and Dock Act 1860 (c. cvi), the Blyth Harbour Act 1882 (c. liv), the Blyth Harbour Act 1912 (c. cix), the Blyth Harbour Act 1915 (c. xiv), the Blyth Harbour Act 1919 (c. xi) (revoked by the Blyth Harbour Act 1986 (c. xxi) section 28 and Schedule 4), The Coal Industry Nationalisation (Harbour Commissioners) Order 1947 (S.I. 1947/1770), the Blyth Harbour Act 1957 (c. vi), the Blyth Harbour (Amendment of Local Act) Order 1969 (S.I. 1969/1652) (revoked by the Blyth Harbour Act 1986 (c. xxi) section 28 and Schedule 4), The Blyth Harbour Revision Order 1977 (S.I. 1977/2125), the Blyth Harbour Act 1986 (c. xxi), The Blyth Harbour Revision Order 1989 (S.I. 1989/874), The Blyth Harbour Act 1986 (Amendment) Order 1995 (S.I. 1995/2645) (revoked by The Blyth Harbour Revision (Constitution) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/148) article 20 and Schedule 3, The Blyth Harbour Revision (Constitution) Order 2004 (S.I. 2004/148) and The Blyth Harbour Revision Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1384).

(**b**) 1986 c. xxi.

(**c**) Commissioners House, Wensleydale Terrace, Blyth, Northumberland NE24 3DY.

(**d**) https://portofblyth.co.uk/download/17413/?tmstv=1729175888.

(**e**) The Corporation of Trinity House, Tower Hill, London EC3N 4DH.

"the Ash Barge Dock Limits Plan" has the same meaning as in The Blyth (Extension of Limits) Harbour Revision Order 2025;".

(4) In section 11 (limits of jurisdiction)—

(a) in paragraph (b) omit "and", and

(b) after paragraph (b) insert—

"(ba) Ash Barge Dock; and".

PART 3

Saving for Trinity House

4. This Order must not prejudice or derogate from any of the rights, duties or privileges of Trinity House.

Crown Rights

5.—(1) Nothing in this Order—

(a) prejudicially affects any estate, right, power, privilege, authority or exemption of the Crown, or

(b) authorises the Commissioners to take, use, enter upon or in any manner interfere with any land or interests in land or any rights of whatsoever description (including any part of the shore or bed of the sea or any river, channel, creek, bay or estuary) belonging to—

(i) His Majesty in right of the Crown and under the management of the Crown Estate Commissioner, without the consent in writing of those Commissioners, or

(ii) a government department held in trust for His Majesty for the purposes of a government department, or without the consent in writing of that government department.

(2) A consent under paragraph (1)(b) may be given unconditionally or subject to such conditions and upon such terms as may be considered necessary or appropriate.

Signed by authority of the Marine Management Organisation

Michelle Willis
Acting Chief Executive Officer
7th May 2025 An authorised employee of the Marine Management Organisation

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order, made on the application of the Blyth Harbour Commissioners, extends the limits of the harbour within which Blyth Harbour Commissioners exercise jurisdiction as the statutory harbour authority at Blyth Harbour to include Ash Barge Dock (article 3) which is shown on the Ash Barge Dock Limits Plan referred to in article 2.

The Ash Barge Dock Limits Plan referred to in article 2 may be inspected during working hours at the office of the Marine Management Organisation, Lancaster House, Hampshire Court, Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 7YH and at the offices of the Blyth Harbour Commissioners at Commissioners House, Wensleydale Terrace, Blyth, Northumberland NE24 3DY. It is also available for inspection on the Blyth Harbour Commissioners website https://portofblyth.co.uk/download/17413/?tmstv=1729175888.

This Order also provides a saving for Trinity House (article 4) and Crown Rights (article 5).

An impact assessment has not been prepared for this Order as there is no, or no significant, impact predicted on businesses, charities, voluntary bodies or the public sector.

An Explanatory Memorandum together with a copy of the Ash Barge Dock Limits Plan, is available alongside this instrument on the UK legislation website www.legislation.gov.uk.

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