

Proposed Immingham Eastern Ro-Ro Terminal ('IERRT' Development)

Statutory Consultation Newsletter

The Port of Immingham

The Port of Immingham is the UK's largest port by tonnage, handling around 46 million tonnes of cargo every year. Together with ABP's other Humber ports at Grimsby, Hull and Goole, the Port of Immingham forms part of the UK's busiest trading estuary, connecting businesses across the UK and the world.

The Proposals

ABP proposes to seek the necessary consents and approvals to construct and operate a new Roll-on/Roll-off cargo facility on the eastern side of the Port, within the existing statutory port estate – to be known as the IERRT Development.

Whilst normally approval for such a development would be secured by way of an application for planning permission submitted to the local planning authority (in this case North East Lincolnshire Council), the proposed IERRT Development exceeds the thresholds set down by the Planning Act 2008 and as a consequence, ABP will be applying to the Secretary of State for Transport, through the agency of the Planning Inspectorate, for what is known as a Development Consent Order ('DCO').

The proposed development consists of:

Marine works

- An approach jetty from the shore
- A linkspan with bankseat
- Two secured floating pontoons
- Two finger piers to provide up to four berths, one either side thereby enabling the vessels to berth alongside with their stern ramps resting upon a floating pontoon
- A capital dredge of the berth pocket
- Disposal of dredged material at sea if no beneficial alternative can be identified

Landside:

- Removal of existing commercial buildings within the site
- Improvement of the surface of the existing cargo storage areas
- Provision of a terminal building and other buildings to provide appropriate facilities for terminal operational and administration staff, lorry drivers and passengers
- A small workshop, a UK Border Force building and a gatehouse may also be required
- An internal bridge within the site to cross over Robinson Road and the ABP managed transit sidings
- Soft landscaping etc., as appropriate

Timeline for the Proposals

September 2021 – An EIA Scoping Report for the IERRT Development was submitted to the Secretary of State via the Planning Inspectorate, which identified the topics which ABP proposed to include within its environmental assessment of the IERRT project.

October 2021 - The Planning Inspectorate provided a Scoping Opinion which commented on ABP's EIA Scoping Report and indicated which topics, in its opinion, should be assessed and which could effectively be "scoped out".

19 January 2022 - The Statutory Consultation period begins. *This is where we are now.*

Summer 2022 - Proposed submission of the DCO application.

Late 2022 - Expected start of the DCO examination period.

Mid 2023 - Construction likely to commence.

April 2025 - Anticipated completion of construction.

Statutory Consultation

A critical part of the consenting process for the IERRT is the formal consultation about our proposals with the local community and key stakeholders. This is known as the ‘Statutory Consultation’. It begins on **19 January 2022 and will run until 23:59pm on 23 February 2022.**

The Statutory Consultation is an important moment in the timeline for the project because it is ABP’s chance to share details about the proposals and your opportunity to give your views on our proposals.

EIA Development

The IERRT Development is what is known as an Environmental Impact Assessment ‘EIA development’. This means that ABP has to assess the potential impact of the Project on the “environment”. This will be undertaken by way of an Environmental Impact Assessment (‘EIA’) which will identify any potential impacts likely to arise in the context of the construction of the jetty and berths in the marine environment, the effect of a capital dredge on the designated Special Protection Area, the potential impact of traffic, construction noise, vibration and air quality. All of this information will be drawn together in one document - the ‘Environmental Statement’ - which will form part of the DCO application.

Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR)

For the purposes of the Statutory Consultation, a PEIR has been prepared. This PEIR sets out the information on the likely effects of the development on a wide range of topics that has been gathered to date, as well indicating, albeit at this preliminary stage, how we intend to manage our impact on local communities, local roads and the natural environment - both when we build the IERRT Development and when the terminal is in use.

The Statutory Consultation period is, therefore, very important for you as it is

your chance to review our proposals and tell us about any issues or areas that you feel we have missed or which require additional information.

The PEIR and related consultation documents will be available to view and download from **19 January 2022** at: www.abports.co.uk/immroro/consultation.

Consultation Events

ABP will be holding the following in-person exhibitions which you can attend to find out more about the Proposals:

For members of the public at: Immingham Civic Centre, Pelham Road, Immingham, DN40 1QF	
Date	Time
Monday 24 January 2022	3pm – 7pm
Saturday 5 February 2022	10am – 2pm

For Port Users at: Seafarers Centre Immingham, Lockside Road, Immingham Dock, Immingham, DN40 2NN	
Date	Time
Wednesday 26 January 2022	1pm – 5pm
Thursday 27 January 2022	9am – 3pm

If it is not possible to go ahead safely with the in-person consultation events, or due to national or local restrictions ABP has to make changes to the arrangements, the changes will be posted on the consultation website:

www.abports.co.uk/immroro/consultation.

Due to the rapidly changing public health situation changes may be made at very short notice.

Getting Involved

Below are details about how you can get involved with Statutory Consultation.

- (a) **In-person Exhibitions** – you can attend these events (dates and times provided above) to view hard copies of the consultation documents and plans in-person. Exhibition boards will be on display and members of the project team

will be available to talk through questions you may have relating to the Proposals. There is no need to book to attend these events.

- (b) **Consultation Website** – all details about the Proposals, the consultation activities, documents, feedback questionnaire and how to submit your comments are available on the consultation website:

www.abports.co.uk/immroro/consultation.

- (c) **Webinars** - ABP may hold up to two online webinar sessions in February 2022, subject to demand. If you are interested in attending please register your interest by emailing: immroro@abports.co.uk or calling Freephone: 0808 169 9912.

- (d) **Telephone Surgeries** – members of the project team will be available to talk through questions and issues relating to the Proposals. Appointments for a telephone surgery can be booked by emailing: immroro@abports.co.uk or calling Freephone 0808 169 9912.

- (e) **Consultation Documents** – all the consultation documents and materials are available to view and download online (free of charge) on the consultation website. For those who require hard copies, the documents and consultation materials that are on the consultation website can be made available on request. There may be a copying charge for certain documents, including the PEIR, of up to a maximum of £300. We will also be able to provide the consultation documents and materials on USB sticks for those

who have access to a computer but not to the internet. You can contact us to arrange for copies of the information you require, or to discuss your information needs, by emailing: immroro@abports.co.uk or calling Freephone 0808 169 9912.

Give Us Your Views

A feedback questionnaire has been produced to help you provide comments on the Proposals. An online version is available on the consultation website at: www.abports.co.uk/immroro/consultation.

Alternatively, you can submit your views on the IERRT Development to us by:

Emailing: immroro@abports.co.uk

Writing 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)

Calling: Freephone 0808 169 9912 to request a hard copy feedback questionnaire and/or pre-paid stamped addressed envelope be sent to you in the post (free of charge) and then returning the completed questionnaire to us.

Responses

All responses must be received by us **in writing before 23:59pm on 23 February 2022**. Responses received after that time may not be considered.

For more information about the IERRT Development and the consultation please see:

www.abports.co.uk/immroro/consultation.

3D Image of Proposed IERRT Development



Please note that the above image is for illustrative purposes only. The IERRT Development may be subject to change depending on the responses we receive to this consultation, and as we carry out further technical analysis.