

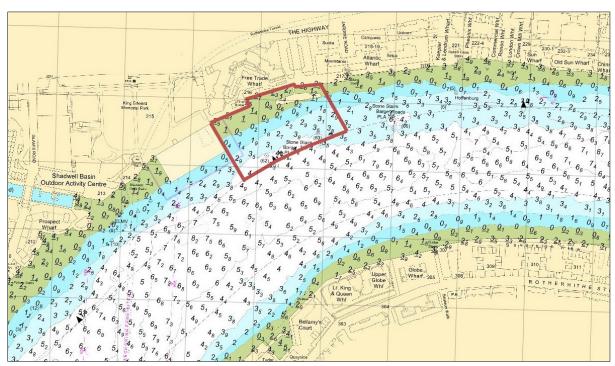
## LOWER POOL

## FREE TRADE WHARF – EXCLUSION ZONE AND SPEED REDUCTION

## This notice is a reissue of M66-23

The Port of London Authority (PLA) has been informed by the owner of Free Trade Wharf that the timber structures referred to as Charrington Jetty and Newcastle Jetty are structurally unsound and there is the potential for a catastrophic failure of the structures, which could put persons at risk of harm.

Accordingly, mariners are informed that, effective immediately, the PLA establishes an <u>Exclusion Zone</u> in the vicinity of Free Trade Wharf. The boundaries of the Exclusion Zone are indicated in red on the charlet below: -



No vessel is to enter inside, or remain within, the Exclusion Zone except (i) vessels permitted by the PLA to make use of the Stone Stairs barge moorings; or (ii) vessels with the express prior permission of London VTS. The attention of Vessel Masters is drawn to General Direction 17.1(a) of the General Directions for Navigation in the Port of London 2021.

17/01/2024

Port of London Authority London River House, Royal Pier Road, Gravesend, Kent DA12 2BG

DAVID ALLSOP
Deputy Harbour Master

**EXPIRY DATE: 20/02/2024** 

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A standing <u>Speed Reduction</u> for all vessels passing this location (outside of the Exclusion Zone) is in force immediately on publication of this Notice. Vessel Masters are to pass with caution, managing their vessel's wash so as to minimise its effect.

This Exclusion Zone and Speed Reduction will remain in effect and in full force at all times: -

- (i) unless and until this Notice is withdrawn, amended or superseded; and
- (ii) whether or not "RY" flags are displayed; and
- (iii) whether or not this Exclusion Zone / Speed Reduction is broadcast by London VTS.

Further details will be broadcast as needed by London VTS on VHF channel 14.