


NAVIGATIONAL ADVISORY PANEL REPORT

NAP Date:	03.03.06	Owner:	MASM	NAP Ref:	14	NAP Title:	Code of Practice for Craft Towage
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Detail / Terms of Reference	Observation/Recommendation
<p>The PLA intends to enhance its suite of marine operations codes of practice by developing a Code of Practice for Craft Towage Operations on the Thames.</p>	<p>The NAP is asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Identify relevant topics for inclusion in the Code; ▪ Agree the structure and content of the proposed Code of Practice; ▪ Identify contributors to the Code; and ▪ Submit, by 14 April 2006, proposals on the structure and content of the Code to the PLA's Navigational Management Team for endorsement. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This report, together with the notes of the meeting, and agreed topics and document structure are submitted to NMT for information and discussion 19 April 2006. 2. The provisional timetable envisages publication around September 2006. 3. The NAP also considered the associated matter of the sometimes poor, inappropriate and unsafe procedures adopted by civil engineering companies when their work involved marine operations. In conclusion it was agreed that an Interim Recommendation should be submitted to the NMT vis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The PLA should consider developing a code of practice for civil engineering operations on or over the River.</i>

Panel Chairman:	Julian Parkes (MASM)	Signature:		Date:	3 April 2006
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