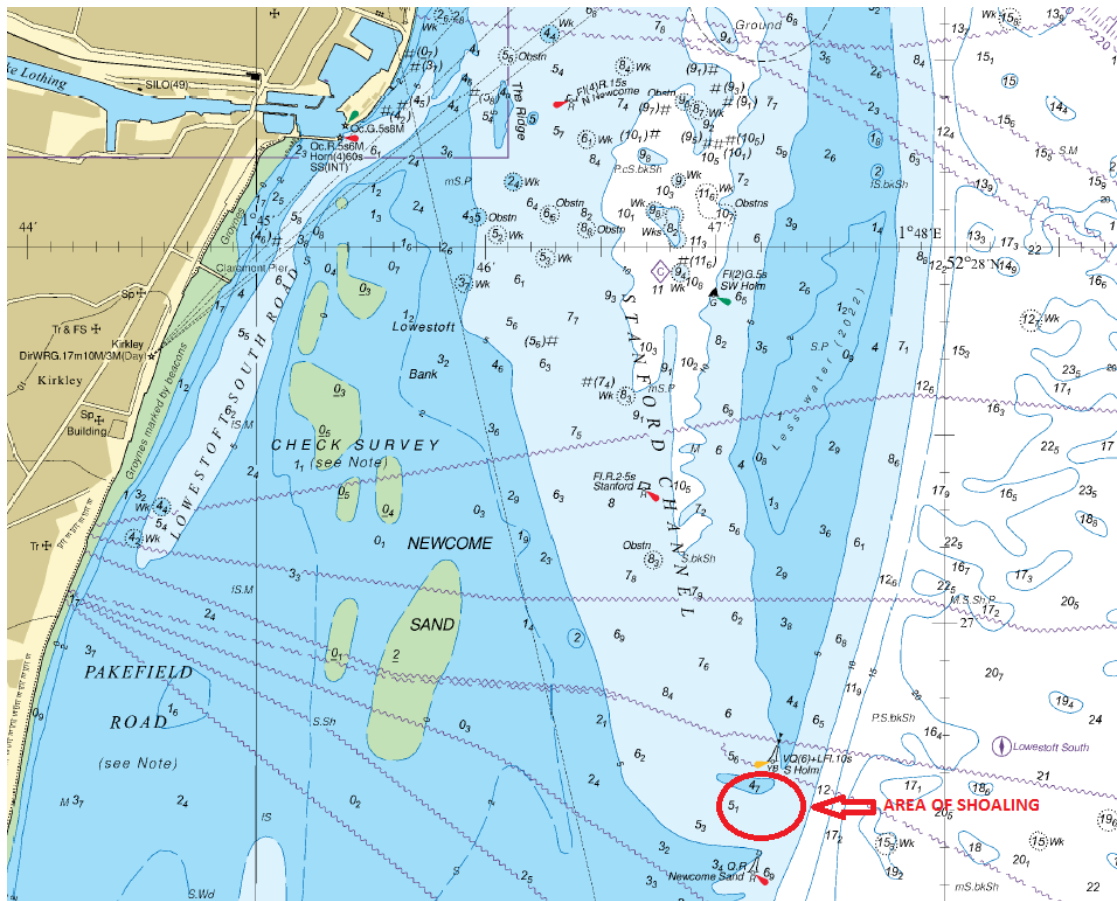


NOTICE TO MARINERS
Lowestoft Southern Approaches – Shoaling at the Entrance to Stanford Channel

UTC BST

Mariners and Port-Users are advised that recent surveys have indicated that the sand wave features across the Southern entrance to the Stanford Channel, have resulted in shoaling within the Navigable Channel, with a least depth of 4m below ACD in one position. See below chart extract showing approximate area of shoaling



Approximate area of Shoaling

Mariners are requested to consider this information when passage planning for transits to and from Lowestoft, and to ensure that sufficient UKC is maintained for all stages of the intended passage. Particular consideration should be given to any conditions that may reduce UKC, including sea and swell, and any forecasted negative tidal residual.

The Holm Channel/Northern Approach route to Lowestoft provides a deeper channel option, which should be considered/used when available UKC via the Stanford Channel is minimal.

The UKHO will be updating their charts and publications to reflect this shoaling.

Please contact Lowestoft Port Control, VHF Ch14, Tel. 01502 572286 (Option 3) if further information is required.

Divisional Harbour Master East Anglia

20 November 2023

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