

Changes to Gorey Harbour Approach Lights Consultation Paper

The light unit in the Gorey Pier head light will soon need replacing as the unit is reaching the end of its useful life and spare parts are no longer available. In addition to modernising the lights the opportunity will be taken to adjust the sectors of the red and green lights. The characteristic and the range of the lights will remain unchanged.

This Consultation Paper is seeking the views of those who navigate in this area prior to any changes being made. The attached diagram is provided to assist in explaining the proposed changes which are:

- The characteristic and the range of the light to remain unchanged;
- The present directional light will be withdrawn. Modern sector LED arrangements will make the sector boundaries more accurate than the existing lights and shades;
- To adjust the Northern element of the green sector that cannot be seen until the light opens behind Mont Orgueil castle;
- To resolve existing light sector conflict with the directional red/green/white light;
- The white leading light sector will be combined into the main light and show a white 3° lead into the port (there will be no red or green directional fixed light);
- To remove the southerly green sector. The red sector will be widened and align with La Rocque Point;
- The Giffard buoy will be fitted with a red light with a 2-3 mile range. This will improve the ability for vessels to navigate safely in the area during the hours of darkness.

Comments are to be directed to the Ports of Jersey Marine Operations Manager using e-mail p.lawrence@gov.je or in writing to the address as above for the attention of Marine Operations Manager. A review of comments will be undertaken by the department prior to any changes and comments made during this consultation will be published on the Ports of Jersey website.

This consultation will close 14 March 2015.