

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Lowestoft – Transit of an Unmanned Surface Vessel **‘X-04’**

UTC BST

Mariners and Port Users are advised that an unmanned surface vessel (USV) is planned to transit from Lowestoft Inner Harbour area to the Royal Norfolk and Suffolk Yacht Club in Lowestoft Outer Harbour area on p.m. Thursday 11th November. The USV will sail from the Yacht Club on or around Friday 12th November 2021, to undertake work at the Greater Gabbard Wind farm.

The USV “X-04” is operated by ‘XOcean’ (MMSI 232023832 call sign MFWS5) and will be remotely controlled by a USV ‘Pilot’. The vessel is capable of working 24/7. The USV has AIS, Navigation lights a radar reflector and has a yellow superstructure (see below photo). The survey offshore is expected to take approx. 7 days but may be extended if any weather or operational delays. In such circumstances the USV may require to temporarily return to port.

During in Harbour transits and when operating close to the Harbour approaches The ‘X04’ will be escorted by a safety boat. The Safety Boat will be monitoring VHF Ch14 during Harbour transits.



XOcean USV

Please contact Lowestoft Port Control, VHF Ch 14, Tel. 01502 572286, if additional information is required.

Divisional Harbour Master East Anglia

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Notice to Mariners Currently in Force:

2006 No.5 **2007** No.13 **2009** No.19 **2011** No.7, No.10, No.19 **2012** No.3, **2013** No.17, No.19, **2015** No.24 **2016** No.12 **2017** No.5, No.22, No.24, No.32, No.34 **2018** No.34, **2019** No.2, No.18 **2020** No.1, No.17, No.24, No.26, No.29, No.40, No.43, No.44, No.45, No.47, No.50, **2021** No.01, No.40, No.43, No.49

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