

## **NOTICE TO MARINERS No 20 - 2018**

### **Cromarty Firth Caisson Storage Area 1.**

Chart – BA1889

Mariners are advised that the following area has been established in the Cromarty Firth for the floating storage of a number of concrete caissons.

Storage area 1 is located mid-Firth and is bounded by the following co-ordinates and will be marked by navigation buoys and lit as follows:

- **NW.** Lat 57° 41.15N Long 004° 06.670W. Red lateral buoy: FI R 5s.
- **NE.** Lat 57° 41.225N Long 004° 06.082W. Red lateral buoy: VQ(3) R (5s).
- **SE.** Lat 57° 41.059N Long 004° 06.009W. Yellow special mark buoy: L FI Y (5s).
- **SW.** Lat 57° 40.983N Long 004° 06.595W. Yellow special mark buoy: FI 2 Y (5s).

A number of unlit buoys have been established within the storage area for the mooring of the caissons. It is anticipated that the caissons will arrive and be moored within the storage areas from late August 2018 until summer 2019. There will be a maximum of 9 caissons moored within storage area 1. The caissons are of varying sizes with maximum dimensions of 50m long x 15m wide x 16m deep with a draft of 9m and a freeboard of 7m. Once moored each will be lit with a single all round white light.

Mariners are instructed to navigate in the area with caution. Further information can be requested from Cromarty Firth Port Radio on VHF CH 11 or on 01349 852308.

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