

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 12 OF 2026

Hinkley Point C Marine Works

**Benthic camera survey
22nd May – 29th May 2026**

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Benthic Camera Survey Notice to Mariners

Hinkley Point C Habitat Mapping

Date: 22nd May 2026 onwards

From: Head of Survey

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Overview

Please be advised that from 22nd May 2026 Ocean Ecology Ltd (OEL) will be undertaking an ARIS drop down surveys within a 9.7 km² area in the Bristol Channel, shown in Figure 1. These works are part of the Hinkley British EDF Energy Estuarine and Marine Studies (BEEMS) programme carried out by Cefas to implement and support surveys for nuclear new-build power stations in the UK on behalf of NNB Generation Company (HPC) Limited. The survey will employ the use of an ARIS system which will be deployed in a frame to ground truth the extent and distribution of the protected, reef building Ross worm (*Sabellaria spinulosa*). The vessel will be restricted manoeuvrability during live survey operations; an exclusion zone of 100 m is requested at all times. The works will be completed by personnel from OEL on *Seren Las* which will mobilise from Penarth Marina. Full vessel details are presented in Table 1. The vessel will maintain a continuous listening watch on VHF Ch 16, Ch 17 and Ch 87.

The survey will be carried out on a continuous daily basis, working 12-hours per day pending weather. Upon adverse weather conditions, if the *Seren Las* is not able to remain on site, it will seek shelter or return to Penarth Marina.

This notification is intended for circulation to all interested parties undertaking or managing activities in the vicinity of the planned survey works. If you would like further details regarding the surveys, please contact the OEL Head of Survey, Ashley Kirby using the contact details at the head of this communication.

Table 1 Vessel Details

Vessel Name	Seren Las	
Vessel Call Sign	MDAH2	
MMSI	235087047	
Length	10.0m	
Survey Coordinator	Ashley Kirby (Head of Survey) +44 (0)1452 915698	
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Survey Locations

Table 2 Coordinates defining general survey area for SSS and ARIS operations near Hinkley Point C, in the Bristol Channel. All coordinates are in WGS84.

Point ID	Latitude (DD)	Longitude (DD)	Latitude (DMS)	Longitude (DMS)
1	51.217555	-3.118747	51° 13' 3.2"N	003° 07' 7.49"W
2	51.216159	-3.119271	51° 12' 58.17"N	003° 07' 9.38"W
3	51.216549	-3.120836	51° 12' 59.58"N	003° 07' 15.01"W
5	51.216283	-3.125156	51° 12' 58.62"N	003° 07' 30.56"W
6	51.215576	-3.130131	51° 12' 56.07"N	003° 07' 48.47"W
7	51.214683	-3.135769	51° 12' 52.86"N	003° 08' 8.77"W
8	51.214226	-3.139271	51° 12' 51.21"N	003° 08' 21.38"W
9	51.213681	-3.139816	51° 12' 49.25"N	003° 08' 23.34"W
10	51.212457	-3.140775	51° 12' 44.84"N	003° 08' 26.79"W
11	51.212430	-3.146904	51° 12' 44.75"N	003° 08' 48.85"W
12	51.211922	-3.148498	51° 12' 42.92"N	003° 08' 54.59"W
13	51.212113	-3.151039	51° 12' 43.61"N	003° 09' 3.74"W
14	51.213153	-3.152440	51° 12' 47.35"N	003° 09' 8.78"W
15	51.211811	-3.162550	51° 12' 42.52"N	003° 09' 45.18"W
16	51.231722	-3.194030	51° 13' 54.2"N	003° 11' 38.51"W
17	51.240163	-3.187274	51° 14' 24.59"N	003° 11' 14.19"W
18	51.244433	-3.167437	51° 14' 39.96"N	003° 10' 2.77"W
19	51.236528	-3.151330	51° 14' 11.5"N	003° 09' 4.79"W
20	51.230194	-3.154965	51° 13' 48.7"N	003° 09' 17.87"W
21	51.225146	-3.143489	51° 13' 30.53"N	003° 08' 36.56"W
22	51.219913	-3.134032	51° 13' 11.69"N	003° 08' 2.51"W

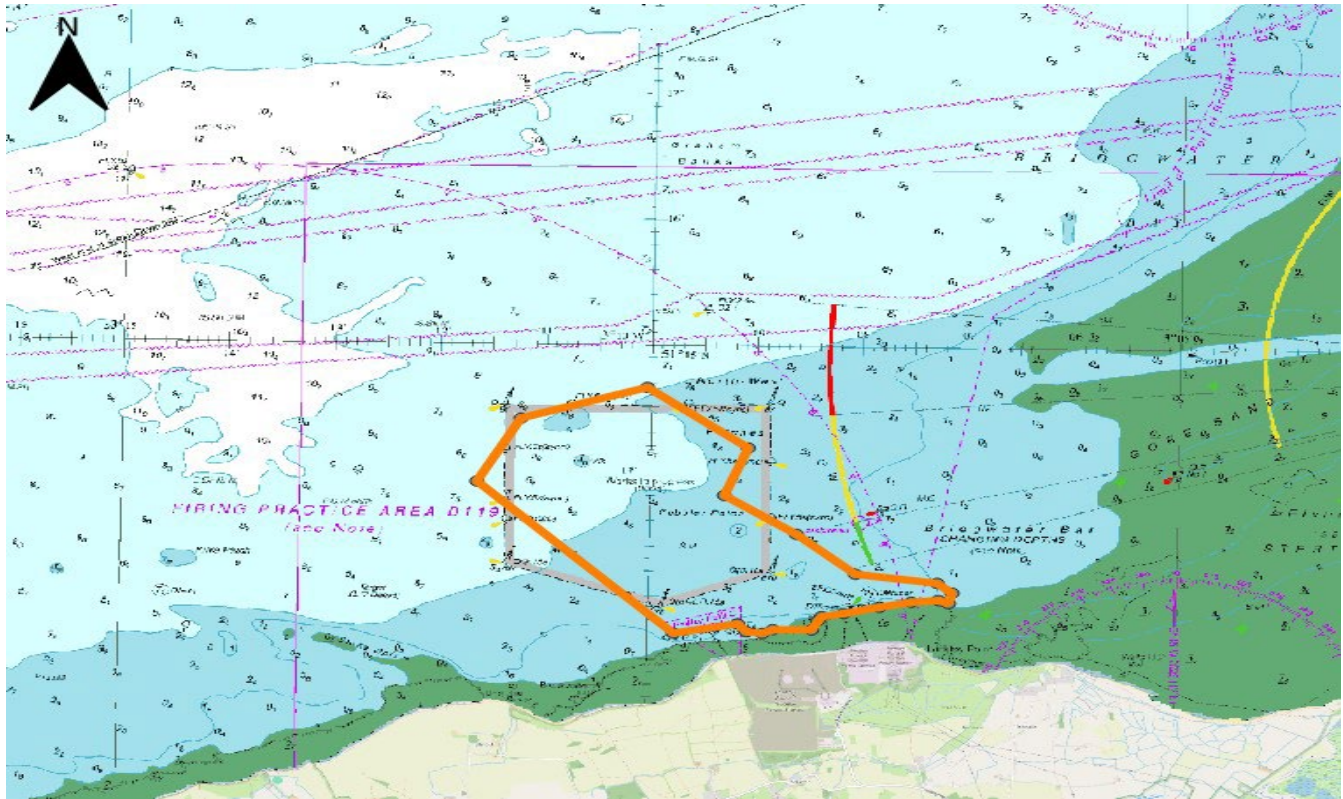


Figure 1 Map to show general survey area for SSS and ARIS operations near Hinkley Point C, in the Bristol Channel.



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