Eastern Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority

Local Notice to Mariners EIFCA 1 - 2025

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East Coast of England – North Norfolk Coast

This notice serves as an update and replacement of the previous notice (LNTM 4 - 2024).

Yellow marker buoys (Figure 1) will be deployed to demark all four corners of three areas voluntarily closed to potting between Sheringham and Cromer along the North Norfolk coast (see previous LNTM 09-2023). Subject to suitable weather, works will commence from the **3 March 2025** to deploy twelve buoys (Table 1).

Works will be completed by Eastern IFCA using *FPV Protector IV* or *FPV Sebastian Terelinck*. The vessels can be contacted on channel 16.

We request that all fishing gear is removed within a 50m radius of each deployment position (Figure 2) prior to the commencement of works, date specified in Table 1. This is to ensure that operations can be carried out safely. If you are unable to move any fishing gear from these areas before this date, please contact us to let us know as soon as possible.

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Table 1: Buoy deployment positions and date works will commence.

Buoy location		WGS 84		Commencement of works
		Latitude	Longitude	
1	Sheringham 1	52° 57.031' N	1° 13.070' E	3 March 2025
2	Sheringham 2	52° 57.017' N	1° 13.274' E	3 March 2025
3	Sheringham 3	52° 56.894' N	1° 13.250' E	3 March 2025
4	Sheringham 4	52° 56.908' N	1° 13.046' E	3 March 2025
5	West Runton 1	52° 56.887' N	1° 14.558' E	3 March 2025
6	West Runton 2	52° 56.868' N	1° 14.761' E	3 March 2025
7	West Runton 3	52° 56.746' N	1° 14.731' E	3 March 2025
8	West Runton 4	52° 56.764' N	1° 14.528' E	3 March 2025
9	East Runton 1	52° 56.530' N	1° 16.713' E	3 March 2025
10	East Runton 2	52° 56.501' N	1° 16.913' E	3 March 2025
11	East Runton 3	52° 56.380' N	1° 16.865' E	3 March 2025
12	East Runton 4	52° 56.409' N	1° 16.665' E	3 March 2025

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Figure 1: Image of marker buoys to be deployed.

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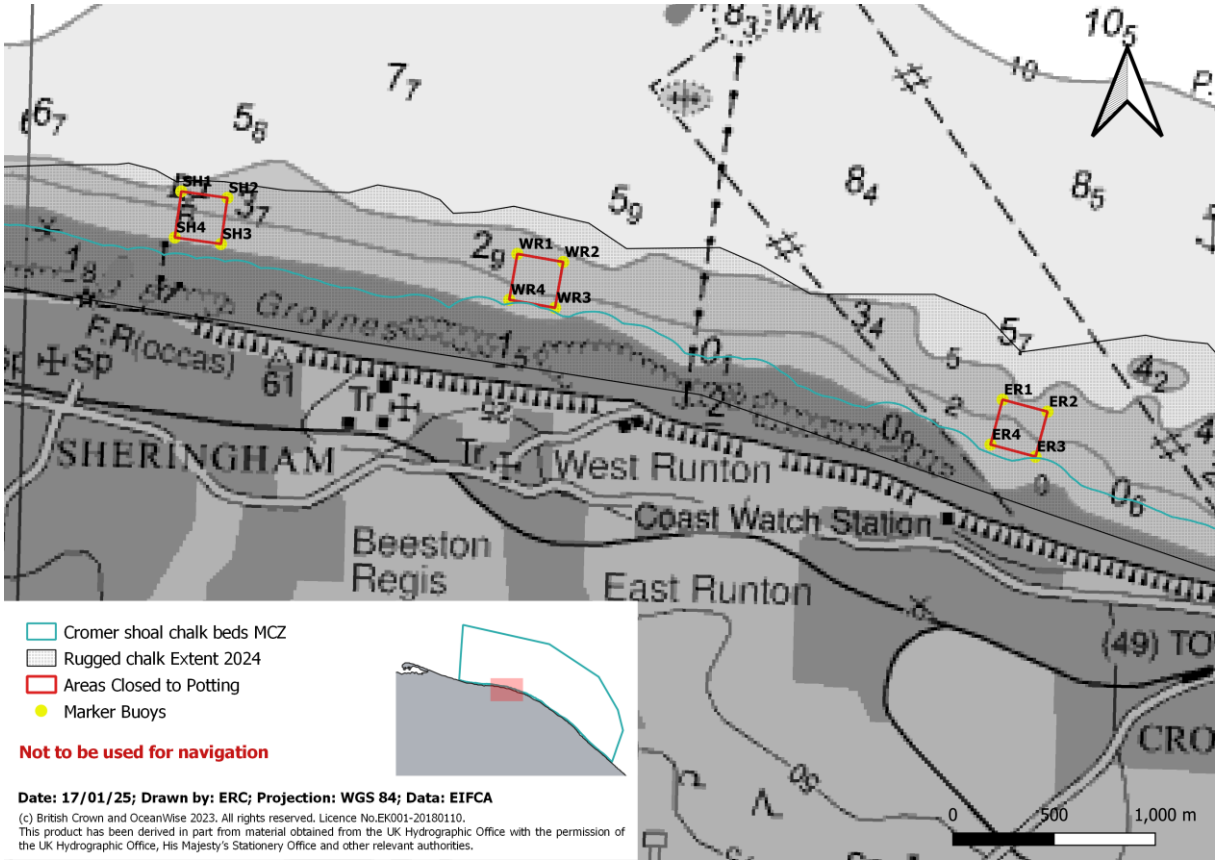

Figure 2: Positions of closed areas within Cromer Shoal Chalk Bed MCZ & positions of marker buoys marking all four corners.

Works to install the buoys will commence from 3 March 2025 and the buoys shall remain in place until winter 2025, when weather conditions deteriorate. A further LNTM will be issued when the buoys are taken off station.

Further information about the project and the closed areas is available on our website: https://www.eastern-ifca.gov.uk/cromer-shoal-chalk-beds-mcz/cromer-shoal-chalk-beds-mcz-natural-disturbance-study/

If you require more information regarding Eastern IFCA planned surveys or works, please contact our office:
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Yours Sincerely

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