

NOTICE TO MARINERS

NO. 5 OF 2024

Near shore installation works for Uisce Eireann (Irish Water)

This notice should be read in conjunction with:

- Charts 1777 & 1765
- [Uisce Eireann website](#)

Mariners are advised that works are commencing on behalf of Uisce Eireann (formally known as Irish Water) to upgrade their systems at Aghada and Whitegate. More information on the project is available on their [website](#).

Part of the upgrade work involves the installation of a pipeline and diffuser at Whitebay. These works will be carried out utilising a barge and support vessels.

The works will be carried out in several phases during which there may be interaction with other marine craft and water users. The phases are roughly as follows:

- (1) Marine craft are being mobilised in Cork Harbour consisting of a towing/support vessel (Ocean Navigator), a 25metre barge and an assortment smaller support vessels (ribs and workboats)
- (2) Barge will moor ESE of buoy EF1 close to Aghada during the pipe mobilisation
- (3) Barge will move to Whitebay and commence trenching work for the pipeline and diffuser
- (4) Pipeline / diffuser assembly shall be floated to Whitebay, lowered into position, secured
- (5) Diffuser area will be marked with appropriate aids to navigation both afloat and ashore and navigation charts updated

Phase 1 is completed and phase 2 commenced on the 23rd of April. Phases 3 to 5 will commence at a later date and are subject to suitable weather conditions.

When the barge is moored at the Aghada and at Whitegate, it will be marked with daymarks and navigation lights as per COLREG Rule 27 – Vessels restricted in their ability to manoeuvre as well as exhibiting the deck work lights. Other vessels will displace navigation lights as appropriate to their current operation.

Mariners are requested to pass the worksite by as wide a margin as practicable, to minimise speed and wash and proceed observing good seamanship. Anchoring by small craft is prohibited in the work site at Whitebay and vessels should keep clear as appropriate.

Updates to this notice will reissued as the project progresses.

For further project information please contact [Uisce Eireann via their website](#).

Photos of the workboat and barge are as follows:

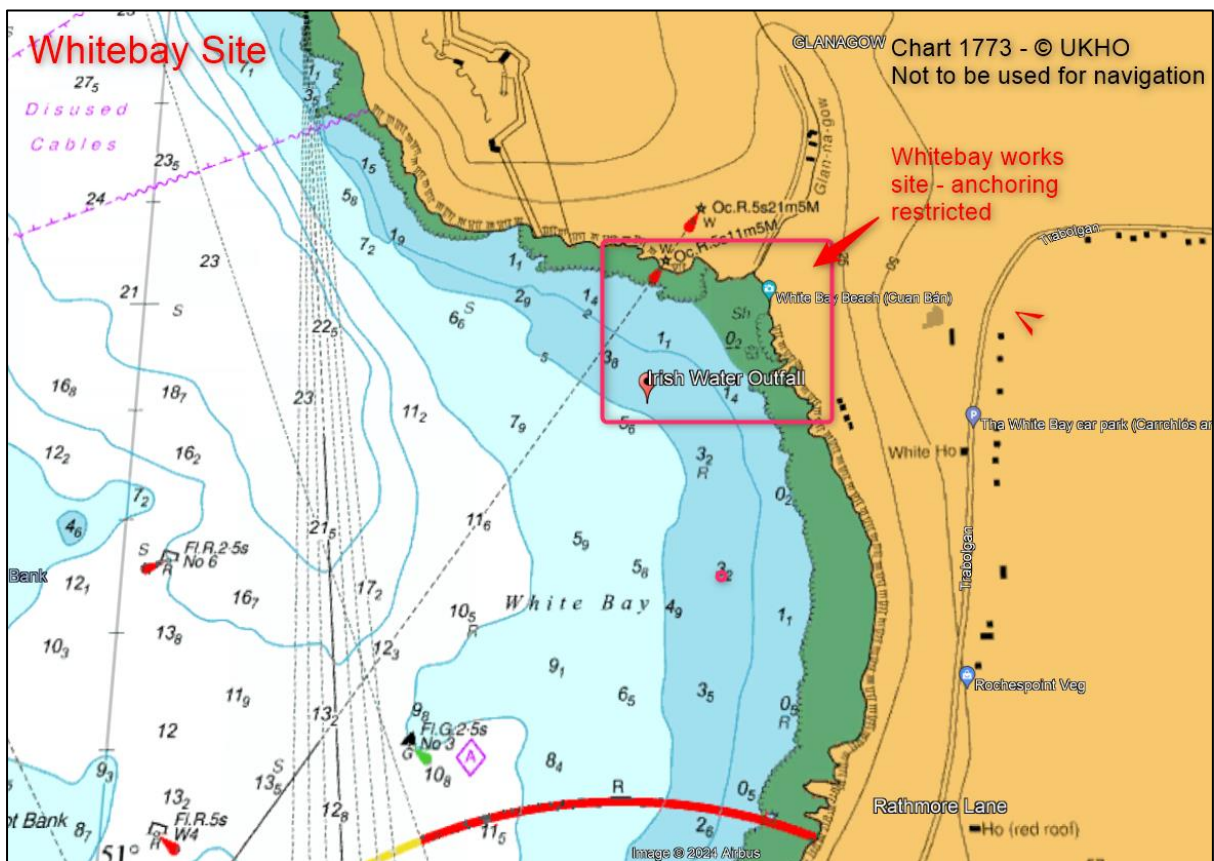
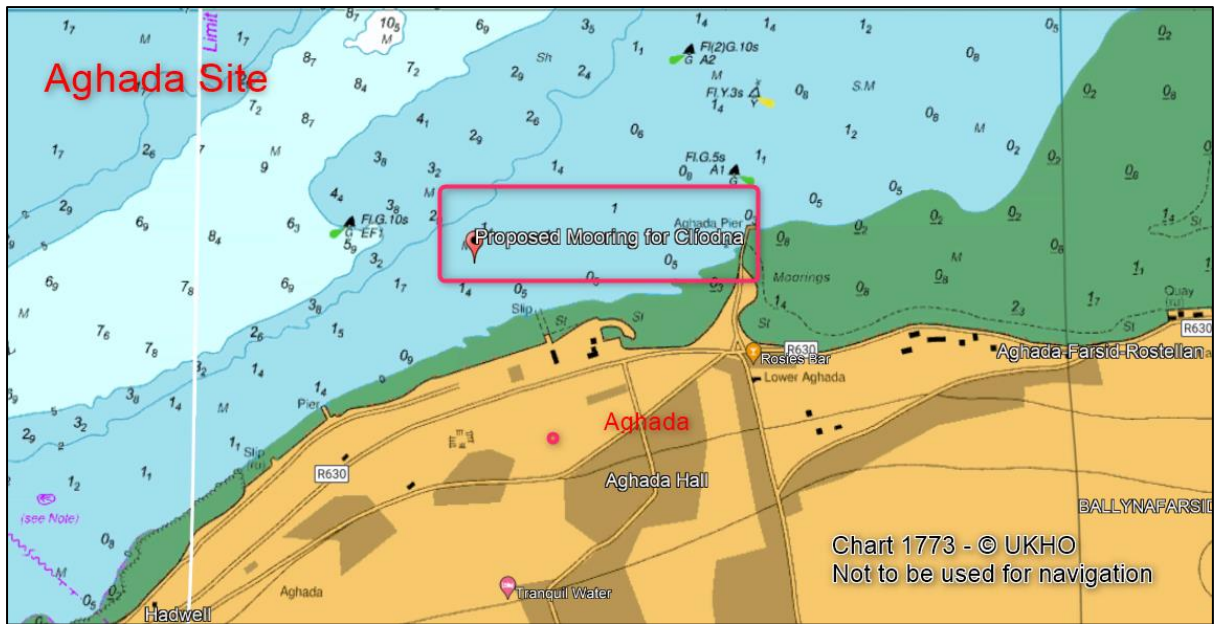


Ocean Navigator



Barge 'Clidna'

Locations of site works are as follows:



BY ORDER,
CAPTAIN P. O'REGAN
HARBOUR MASTER