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Dear Cllr Bennett

Thank you for your letter dated 1st May regarding the Harbour Masters Dredging Report.

You will be aware I am sure that the Harbourmaster's Dredging Report was intended as a discussion document, which after presentation to the HHAC would go into Consultation with various groups and stakeholders.

It became clear to the Harbourmaster and ourselves that it would be impossible to have a sensible independent discussion involving dredging given the extraordinary interest the Hayle supermarket applications created in the months running up to the Cornwall Council February committee date.

As you know at present there is no dredging taking place at Hayle Harbour and we do not have a license to undertake dredging. We stated earlier this year that we do not intend to seek a license in 2011.

As you recognise the Hayle Harbour Authority is unable to cover its own costs and is heavily subsidised by ING RED Ltd. The Harbourmaster has confirmed this position and we must therefore proceed responsibly. The Harbourmaster and his team has issued Local Notices to Mariners to make all skippers aware that we are currently not dredging and that they should proceed with caution when entering or leaving Port. This notice advises that all Mariners should take account of tide times, conditions and weather when using Hayle Harbour and take account of their own experience and local knowledge. As we have stated elsewhere we believe that through continued monitoring and updating notices to Mariners as appropriate we will keep risks as low as reasonably practicable.

In postponing the release of the Dredging Report we also took on board the comments of the Strategic Planning Committee who asked us to carefully consider the future of the harbour and the current 20+ Commercial Fishermen who operate from the Port. As you know this is something we have prioritised and we are currently in Consultation with the fishermen about their future needs and requirements.



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All these matters will be discussed at the HHAC and the newly created Local Liaison Group, which held its first meeting earlier this month.

This having been said the Dredging Report will be released, as soon as Cornwall Council's Strategic Planning Committee has determined the supermarket applications.

Please feel free to contact any of my Hayle Team if you would like to discuss this matter further

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D Alker".

David Alker
Managing Director