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#### **NOTICE TO MARINERS**

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On or about **Sunday 16th June 2024**, contractors working on behalf of Network Rail will commence maintenance works at Barnes Rail Bridge. These works will involve the erection of scaffolding under the bridge, and persons working within this scaffolding once erected. These works are expected to last 7 weeks and involve both a standing arch height reduction and arch closures.

Throughout this period there will be a standing arch headroom reduction of no more than 1.8m, as per the below figures:

Arch 1	Arch 2	Arch 3	
9.1m above Chart Datum	9.1m above Chart Datum	9.0m above Chart Datum	
or	or	or	
3.6m above Mean High Water Springs	3.6m above Mean High Water Springs.	3.5m above Mean High Water Springs	

Where the headroom is reduced this will be signalled in accordance with the Port of London Authority Thames Byelaw 36.1 namely:

- By Day A bundle of straw large enough to be easily visible and displayed at the height of restricted headroom;
- By Night A white light in place of the bundle of straw.

Mariners transiting Barnes Rail Bridge shall do so with caution and full awareness of their air draught.

To further accommodate these works, the arches of Barnes Rail Bridge will be closed to navigation as follows:



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Arch	Works Start		Works End		Navigational
	Date	Time	Date	Time	Information
2	Sunday 16th June	0100	Sunday 16th June	0530	Closed to Navigation
1 or 3*	Sunday 16th June	0530	Sunday 16th June	2359	Closed to Navigation
2	Monday 17th June	0001	Monday 17th June	0330	Closed to Navigation
2	Sunday 23rd June	0050	Sunday 23rd June	0530	Closed to Navigation
1 or 3*	Sunday 23rd June	0050	Sunday 23rd June	0735	Closed to Navigation
1, 2 & 3	Tuesday 25th June	0040	Tuesday 25th June	0500	Closed to Navigation
1, 2 & 3	Wednesday 26th June	0040	Wednesday 26th June	0500	Closed to Navigation
1, 2 & 3	Thursday 27th June	0040	Thursday 27th June	0500	Closed to Navigation
1, 2 & 3	Friday 28th June	0040	Friday 28th June	0500	Closed to Navigation
2	Sunday 30th June	0050	Sunday 30th June	0530	Closed to Navigation
1 or 3*	Sunday 30th June	0050	Sunday 30th June	0730	Closed to Navigation
2	Sunday 7th July	0050	Sunday 7th July	0530	Closed to Navigation
1 or 3*	Sunday 7th July	0050	Sunday 7th July	0735	Closed to



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	Date	Time	Date	Time	Information
2	Sunday 14th July	0050	Sunday 14th July	0530	Closed to Navigation
1 or 3*	Sunday 14th July	0050	Sunday 14th July	0735	Closed to Navigation
2	Sunday 21st July	0050	Sunday 21st July	0530	Closed to Navigation
1 or 3*	Sunday 21st July	0050	Sunday 21st July	0735	Closed to Navigation
2	Wednesday 31st July	2200	Thursday 1st August	0530	Closed to Navigation
1 or 3*	Wednesday 31st July	0001	Wednesday 31st July	2159	Closed to Navigation
2	Thursday 1st August	2200	Friday 2nd August	0530	Closed to Navigation
1 or 3*	Thursday 1st August	0531	Thursday 1st August	2159	Closed to Navigation
2	Friday 2nd August	2200	Saturday 3rd August	0530	Closed to Navigation
1 or 3*	Friday 2nd August	0530	Friday 2nd August	2159	Closed to Navigation

<sup>\*</sup>Arches will be closed sequentially. Only one arch will be closed at a time.



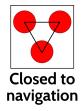
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Arches closed to navigation will be marked in accordance with the Port of London Authority Thames Byelaws 2012 namely:

- By day, three red discs 0.6 metres in diameter at the points of an equilateral triangle with the apex downwards and the base horizontal
- By night, three red lights in similar positions to the discs displayed by day.

Guard boats will be in attendance during arch closures, as a visual reinforcement of the closured arch. Safety boats will also be in attendance during works, and all vessels will maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 14.

Further details will be broadcast by **London VTS** on VHF Channel 14.

