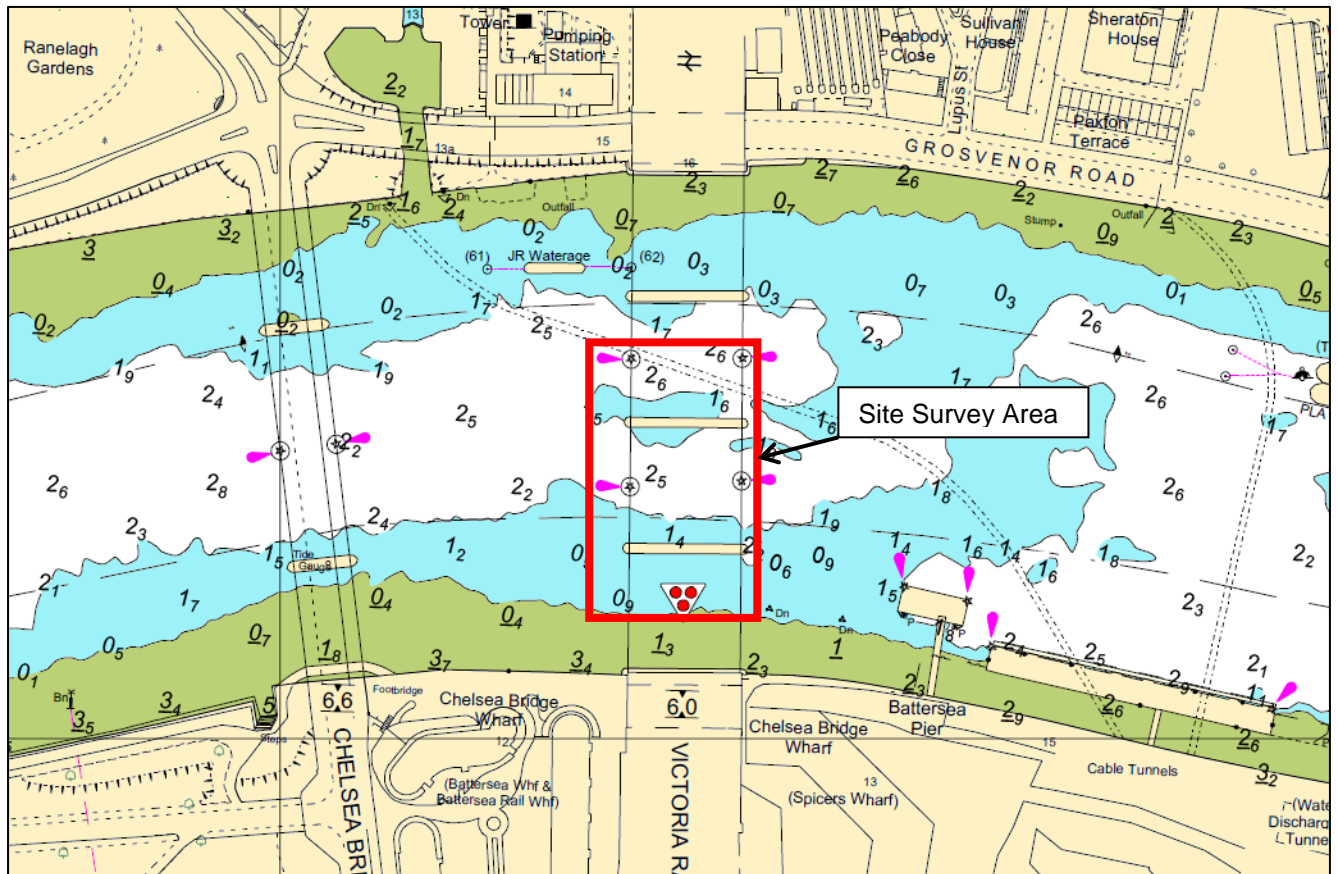


NOTICE TO MARINERS M76 of 2018

CHELSEA REACH VICTORIA RAIL BRIDGE DRONE SURVEY

On or about the 7 November 2018 contractors working on the Tideway Tunnel Project will survey Victoria Rail Bridge using an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) being controlled by an operator from a RHIB.

Please see the chartlet below depicting the survey area.



The RHIB VISCOUNT from which the UAV will be controlled will display a sign with the word SURVEY in large letters and maintain a continuous listening watch on VHF Channel 14. The UAV will not be flown within 50 metres of passing vessels. If there is any doubt that the UAV is not complying with this passing distance vessels are to communicate their doubt directly to the attending Harbour Service Launch.

The survey is expected to start at 0700 and take approximately 4 hours.

When the RHIB VISCOUNT is obstructing a navigable arch Local Traffic Control will be undertaken from a PLA Harbour Service Launch stationed in the vicinity of Victoria Rail Bridge. All vessels approaching the obstructed arch are to call the attending harbour service launch using the call sign prefix THAMES PATROL on VHF channel 14 as follows:

- Inbound at Vauxhall Bridge
- Outbound at Albert Bridge
- Prior to leaving a berth or mooring between Vauxhall Bridge and Albert Bridge

All vessels are to navigate in the area with caution, maintaining a continuous watch on VHF Channel 14 and follow the instructions from the attending Harbour Service Launch which will exhibit flashing blue lights.

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

**25th October
2018**

Port of London Authority
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**BOB BAKER
CHIEF HARBOUR MASTER**



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**Telephone calls, VHF radio traffic, CCTV and radar traffic images may
be recorded in the VTS Centres at Gravesend and Woolwich**

