Further assistance to help the marine development sector from MMO

News story

The MMO has launched further assistance for our industry stakeholders and customers who are impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic.



Wind farm development

As the country slowly begins to restart, we continue to be available to deliver most of our usual services and have introduced new initiatives to help businesses in the marine development sector facing disruption or difficulties.

We have produced an up to <u>date guide to help stakeholders find their way</u> <u>around the assistance available.</u> In our role as manager of our seas around England, we are committed to protecting and developing our seas and coasts and supporting coastal communities for the benefit of generations to come.

We do this by permitting, licencing and monitoring marine developments from huge offshore windfarms to small harbour quays. At this time, when companies are facing unprecedented challenges, we are doing all in our power to support them and avoid unnecessary delays.

"I would encourage our stakeholders to stay in touch," said Tom McCormack, CEO of MMO. "We need to continue to work together to understand the impact on businesses, identify how we can help, and help reflect and share key information with government."

Our financial and welfare support guide for the fishing industry to signpost the support that is available to assist the fishing industry has also been updated to help the catch and processing sectors continue to fish and trade. This has included financial support through the Fisheries Response Fund and the Domestic Seafood Supply Scheme.

In line with the government's instructions, most MMO staff who can, continue

to work from home. Plans are in place for those working outdoors to return to work safely. Where this is not yet possible, other measures are in place. We can be contacted for all MMO services in several ways — online, email, by phone, social media or via our website.

For all MMO contact numbers visit www.marinemanagement.org.uk

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