



New quay and laydown capacity

Right location, right price

Significant further expansion of competitive facilities for the offshore industry at deep-water Lerwick Harbour underlines the Port Authority's confidence in the sector's long-term future, with three development projects, costing around £30 million and including 880 metres of additional quays, on schedule for completion in 2016.

Sandra Laurenson, Lerwick Port Authority Chief Executive, said: "The harbour already has almost 4,000 metres of quay, including over 1,300 metres of deep-water berthing, and 130,000 square metres of laydown, providing the required capacity for the offshore industry.

"The latest developments will underpin the continuing role as a leading support centre, with the versatile facilities servicing ongoing operations, including subsea developments – particularly west of Shetland; opening the door to further decommissioning work and satisfying the future capacity the UK sector requires.

"The oil price downturn has led to delayed decisions for projects off Shetland, but these discoveries and others, along with recently licensed exploration blocks, represent development potential for the future."

Lerwick Harbour provides a unique combination of a natural, sheltered, deep-water port, with competitive, comprehensive services and facilities, and a location which is at the heart of oil and gas fields to the east and west of Shetland – placing fields, current and future, within easy reach.

Industry comments include recognition of Lerwick as an open and welcoming port, easy to work in and very well priced; and of the Authority's investment as a commitment to grow infrastructure.



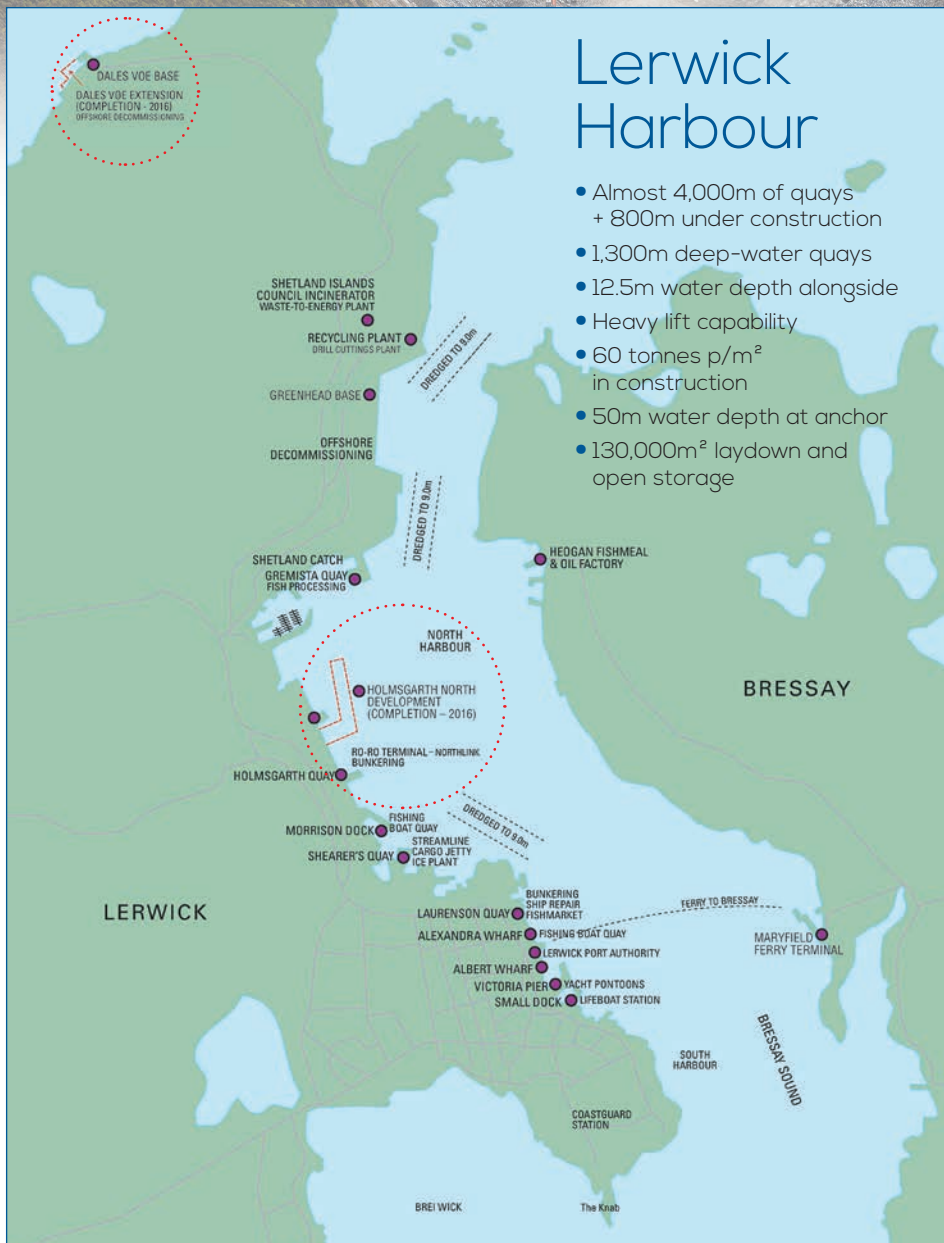
Lerwick Shetland at Offshore Europe

Lerwick Port Authority is returning to Aberdeen for the **Offshore Europe 2015 Exhibition**, from 8-11 September, as part of its annual marketing programme aimed at the oil and gas industry. The benefits of current harbour developments, along with established facilities and services, will be highlighted on **Stand 5D100**.

Dales Voe Extension for subsea and decommissioning support



At Dales Voe, the quay is being extended by 75-metres to 130 metres, with a load-bearing capacity of 60 tonnes per square metre, unique in Scotland. The quay will have 12.5 metres water depth alongside, amongst the deepest of its type in Scotland.



Construction, underway earlier this year, is on schedule for completion next spring.

Sandra Laurenson, Port Authority Chief Executive, said: "Subsea activity is currently at the forefront for Dales Voe, but future decommissioning potential is evidenced by financial support from Highlands and Islands Enterprise and Scottish Government for the development.

"An Oil & Gas Ports Capacity Study confirms Lerwick is best placed in Scotland to undertake large scale decommissioning and also to support subsea activity."

Dales Voe quay extension is complemented by the latest expansion in a phased programme to create additional laydown which will total 40,000 square metres by 2016.

Room for more



Since the earliest days of field development in the East Shetland Basin, the availability of laydown at Lerwick has been a key aspect of industry operations. Pipe-yard storage for the Brent and Ninian systems was a feature of the 1970s. Demand for space for equipment and materials has continued, with subsea projects west of Shetland adding to demand.

Additional laydown space currently being created will bring the port's total dedicated laydown areas to 130,000 square metres.



Additional berthing at Holmsgarth

Construction is well-underway on an L-shaped jetty at Holmsgarth North, the outer arm of which will provide berthing for offshore industry vessels.

Extending to 800-metres-plus when completed in autumn, 2016, it will ultimately have 10-metres' water depth alongside.

The Holmsgarth area of the port was a focus of industry activity for around 25 years from the mid-70s, until changing requirements led to redevelopment of the area as a centre for the fishing industry.





Greenhead Base demonstrating its capacity to provide support for multiple onshore and offshore energy projects



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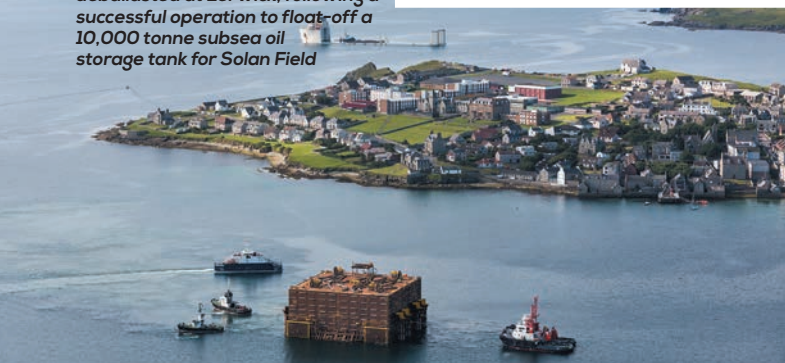


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Heavy lift vessel Xiang Yun Kou deballasted at Lerwick, following a successful operation to float-off a 10,000 tonne subsea oil storage tank for Solan Field



Production manifolds from the Ivanhoe/Rob Roy Field delivered at Lerwick and being transferred across the heavy lift quay at Greenhead Base for dismantling and disposal at the licensed decommissioning facility



Fully serviced

Comprehensive services at Lerwick include:

- Full service base capability
- Licensed decommissioning pad
- Logistics, engineering & fabrication by experienced providers
- Project support
- Quayside waste management
- Workshop, warehousing & utilities
- Diving and surveying
- Ships agencies
- Fully-integrated Health, Safety, Environment and Quality Management System, certified to BS EN ISO 9001: 2008 and BS EN ISO 14001: 2004



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