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PORTLAND PORT'S POLICE FORCE WELCOMES NEW CONSTABLES

On the 27th February four of Portland Port's Police Support Officers attended Weymouth Magistrates Court to be attested to the office of Constable.

The new Police Constables will continue to receive extensive training to support them in their new role.

Bill Reeves, the CEO of Portland Port said 'It was a proud day for the new Constables and Portland Port. As our business continues to expand, the increased capabilities of Portland Port Police will bring additional security to the port's tenants and users.'

Portland Port Chief Police Officer, Inspector James Grant added 'We are pleased to welcome these new constables into the Portland Port Police force. With the increase of operations at Portland Port, especially cruise ships, the extra ability to protect our shores from the ever-increasing security threat will be improved by their presence on duty.'

NOTES TO EDITORS

Photo 1: New constables with Portland Port Chief Police Officer in the middle

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Previously a naval dockyard for over 150 years, Portland Harbour is now a thriving and successful commercial facility. It still maintains a close relationship with the past through its ongoing contract to support the RFA, as well as being home to the activities of Global Marine and Portland Bunkers UK. It has almost 2,500 hectares of water at depths of up to 15m (C.D.); and provides vessel services from long term lay-ups to brief maintenance calls, luxury cruise liner docking facilities to industrial cargo shipments.

The tariff and general Portland Harbour Authority information can be viewed at <http://www.portland-port.co.uk/>

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Portland Port has over 2,000 metres of alongside berths and 11.6 metres (C.D.) depth of water at the deepest alongside berth.

Berthing for vessels up to 340 metres (subject to Harbour Master's approval).

11 designated anchorages are within the 1,015-hectare inner harbour.

Six designated anchorages are within the 1,436-hectare Outer Harbour.

A width of 210 metres and depth of over 12.6 metres (C.D.) at the entrance of the harbour mean that there are few vessel beam, lock, or air draft restriction.

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