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### **Port's Western Docks development achieves another sustainability excellence award**

Port of Dover's Dover Western Docks Revival (DWDR) development has achieved another CEEQUAL award for sustainability in design and construction in Civil Engineering.

The DWDR team and designers were presented with the 'Excellent' CEEQUAL Whole Team Interim Award at this year's Annual Consultative Meeting (ACM) by CEEQUAL Director, Chris Broadbent.

The project's success has come from a strong commitment to embed sustainability in the management processes from the initial planning of the project through to design and ongoing construction. The project achieved particularly assessment scores in the following categories:

- People and communities (93%)
- Historic environment (100%)
- Ecology and biodiversity (100%)
- Water environment (100%)

The £250m DWDR project – the single biggest investment ever undertaken by the Port of Dover – achieved an overall score of 86.4%. The assessment was jointly submitted with VSBW, a joint venture between VolkerStevin and Boskalis Westminster, who are delivering the construction of the new marine infrastructure and their designers, Tony Gee & Partners LLP and Ramboll UK Ltd.

Kevin Williams, Senior Project Manager at the Port of Dover, said: "The Port is delivering Dover Western Docks Revival as a priority for long-term port resilience and thereby providing a catalyst for waterfront regeneration.

"With sustainability is at its core; I'm thrilled to see the project team has again been recognised in its commitment to continue to embed sustainability throughout the design and construction."

CEEQUAL is the evidence-based sustainability assessment, rating and awards scheme that promotes the achievement of high environmental and social performance in Civil Engineering, infrastructure, landscaping and public realm projects.

Associate Director and project lead CEEQUAL Assessor Natalie Cropp, from Tony Gee and Partners, said: "We are pleased to be part of the team facilitating the revival of Dover's Western Docks with a design that has sustainability, safety and ease of manufacturing and assembly at its core.

"To encourage sustainability we led a number of project workshops with VSBW and Ramboll to promote key themes, such as resource efficiency, in the development of the project's design. The collective approach was to embed the CEEQUAL Award's guidelines into design and enable the team to make better design decisions to achieve a more sustainable solution."

Consultant and CEEQUAL project lead Martin Broderick, from Ramboll UK Ltd, said: "Ramboll is delighted that the project has achieved such an award, it is a testament to the collaboration that has taken place across the whole project team, demonstrating everyone's commitment to ensure that sustainability is at the heart of the project.

"As an organisation Ramboll is committed to delivering enduring structures, resource-efficient solutions and socially cohesive communities for today and tomorrow. The revival of the Western Docks marks an exciting time for Dover which will feed into the wider regeneration of the area and Ramboll is proud to be a part of this."

The first stage of DWDR is scheduled to be completed in early 2019, and the CEEQUAL assessment for the marine Civil Engineering works will now continue through to the Final Award stage.

Commenting on the project teams' exceptional performance, CEEQUAL Director, Chris Broadbent, said: "This is another great step for this brilliant project and an excellent achievement by the whole team. It demonstrates the continued commitment to sustainable development at this client and outline design stage.

**Link to [Case Study: Dover Western Docks Revival \(CEEQUAL\)](#)**

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**Notes to editors**

**1. Port of Dover**

The Dover Western Docks Revival (DWDR) is a one-off opportunity for the regeneration of Dover, bringing new investment into the area. With UK Government planning approval and supported by a mix of private finance and European Union grant funding, DWDR will deliver:

- Relocation and further development of the cargo business with a new cargo terminal and distribution centre;
- Creation of greater space within the Eastern Docks for ferry traffic;
- A transformed waterfront to ultimately attract a host of shops, bars, cafes and restaurants with Dover's unique backdrop of the harbour, cliffs and castle; and
- Much needed quality employment opportunities for local people.

DWDR is the single biggest investment ever undertaken by the Port of Dover with c.£250m committed for its delivery.

DWDR scored 'Excellent' for the CEEQUAL Interim Client and Outline Design Award - the evidence-based sustainability assessment, rating and awards scheme that promotes the achievement of high environmental and social performance in civil engineering, infrastructure, landscaping and public realm projects.

[www.doverport.co.uk/DWDR](http://www.doverport.co.uk/DWDR)



## 2. VSBW

VSBW is a joint venture between VolkerStevin and Boskalis Westminster to deliver the marine structures and bridge contract for the Port of Dover's flagship Dover Western Docks Revival (DWDR) development.

With a contract value of £115m, this construction stage will include the design and build of two new berths including quay walls and land reclamation, a new marina pier, the marina curve, navigation channel and new lock gates, Bascule Bridge and capital dredging work.

## 3. Tony Gee and Partners LLP

Founded in 1974, Tony Gee and Partners LLP provide specialists engineering consultancy services to the worldwide construction industry. Tony Gee is a firm of specialist consulting engineers, renowned for: solving complex engineering challenges for clients in the construction industry; providing innovative permanent works design; and construction methodology and temporary works solutions.

## 4. Ramboll

Ramboll is a leading engineering, design and consultancy company founded in Denmark in 1945. The company employs more than 13,000 people globally and has especially strong representation in the Nordics, UK, North America, Continental Europe, Middle East and Asia-Pacific. With 300 offices in 35 countries, Ramboll combines local experience with a global knowledgebase constantly striving to achieve inspiring and exacting solutions that make a genuine difference to our clients, the end-users, and society at large. Ramboll works across the following markets: Buildings, Transport, Planning & Urban Design, Water, Environment & Health, Energy and Management Consulting.

## 5. CEEQUAL

CEEQUAL is the assessment and awards scheme for improving sustainability in civil engineering and public realm projects. It celebrates the achievement of high environmental and social performance and demonstrates the commitment of the civil engineering industry to sustainable development.

The scheme rigorously assesses performance across nine areas of environmental and social concern, rewarding projects on which clients, designers and constructors go beyond the legal minima to achieve distinctive sustainability standards in their work.

Since the Scheme's launch in 2003, more than 700 projects have registered with CEEQUAL and 394 Final Awards and 111 Interim Client and Design Awards have been achieved. There are over 250 further projects and contracts currently being assessed. The accumulative civil engineering value of work that has been or is currently being assessed exceeds £40 billion. With the longest track record of verified sustainability assessments of civil engineering worldwide in the industry, CEEQUAL has led the way in driving improvements in sustainability through the adoption of best practice. CEEQUAL takes a very broad view of 'civil engineering' in including all infrastructure, landscaping and works in the public realm.

CEEQUAL became part of the BRE Group in November 2015 and is now operated alongside BREEAM, bringing together the world's leading sustainability assessment methods for buildings, infrastructure, and master planning