

South Shields

9th May 2014

Development at UK Docks Ltd, River Drive

Dear Mr Mansbridge,

Thank you for the letter in response to all the various questions that have been raised with the Council in recent months, including a petition which many local residents have signed.

I would like to question your basic assumption in the letter:-

The approved dimensions of the steelwork are:

- Proposed height 15.5m at the River Drive end. The gradient of the slipway is 2.66m over the length of the shelter. This would mean the height at the riverside end would be 18.16m above the slipway;
- Proposed length 22m;
- Proposed width 12.2m.

This is not true, there is no supporting documentation which says that the approved height is 15.5m at the River Drive end. All indications are that the approved height is 12.5m which one can get from scaling the portal details in the Drawing 8296/14.

In an email from Mr Atkinson dated 13th Feb he stated in paragraph 3 that the structure is not built to approved plans. While he goes on about the width being about 1m wider than planned he does not admit to the structure being 3m higher than planned.

Please examine again the plans that are held by your office and you will see that the elevation in the drawing 8296/14 is the north end and that scaling gives the elevation height to be 15.5m and subsequently the south elevation 12.5m.

If you have any problems with this than please provide the full frame drawing from which the elevation is taken.

In the light of this please consider a correction to the letters sent to the households 32 to 99 Greens Place and all the households in Harbour View.

I notice that work on the slipway continues apace - did you write as intended in your letter to Mr Routledge, dated 4th April, to the operators instructing them that all operational works should cease with immediate effect until such a time that the end panels are installed?

Yours sincerely

Michael Dawson

cc by email
Mr Atkinson, D Routledge and M Todd for circulation.