

£6M HARBOUR INVESTMENT PROJECT COMPLETE AT COLINTRAIVE AND RHUBODACH

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Caledonian Maritime Assets Limited (CMAL) has completed a £6 million project that will provide those travelling to and from the Isle of Bute with a more resilient ferry service.

Work commenced in June 2017 to reconstruct the slipways at Colintraive and Rhubodach and create a larger vehicle queuing area at Colintraive.

The new slipways were completed in August 2018, and ferries have been successfully operating from them since then. The project then moved into the final stage of demolishing the old slipway at Rhubodach and extending the vehicle queuing area at Colintraive.

The new slipways provide increased flexibility around tide levels, and the phased approach to the construction project meant the ferry service was able to continue to operate to timetable, minimising the impact on passengers during the course of the works.



Ruairidh Campbell, senior civil engineer at CMAL said:

“We have worked hard with the contractor, Raynesway, to deliver a project with minimal disruption to service. We would like to thank passengers and local communities for their patience throughout the works, and hope they find the new slipways and vehicle queuing area a vast improvement, offering a better and more resilient ferry service for Bute.”

1. Issued by Clark Communications on behalf of Caledonian Maritime Assets Limited (CMAL). For media enquiries contact Lisa Donnelly 0141 548 8222 / 07711476772 or Lisa@clarkcommunications.co.uk
2. CMAL owns 26 harbours on the west coast of Scotland which support the Clyde and Hebrides Ferry Service (CHFS).
3. CMAL owns 31 ferries which are operating on the CHFS network. These vessels are operated by

Calmac Ferries Ltd. CMAL has five vessels on the Northern Isles Ferry Service (NIFS) – three of these are owned by CMAL and two are bareboat chartered from a third party. The operator for NIFS is SERCO Northlink Ferries. Two dual fuel ferries are currently under construction.

4. CMAL is a publicly owned company with Scottish Ministers as the sole shareholder.
5. For more information about CMAL visit: cmassets.co.uk