

Tilbury and Pentalver's Significant Investment at Port

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Pentalver and Port of Tilbury invest in new port facility

The Port of Tilbury, London's major port, and Pentalver, one of the UK's leading container logistics providers, have announced a significant investment in Pentalver's current inland container operations facility at the port.

Pentalver, which has had a depot at the port of Tilbury for 7 years, has this month relocated into a new purpose built facility, built by the Port of Tilbury, which has been designed with a high level of automation to ensure an efficient service for its customers. The facility covering 6.6 acres at Berth 43, has also been strategically positioned nearer the London Container Terminal operations within the port estate.

As part of a company-wide continuous improvement investment programme, Pentalver's Tilbury depot now benefits from its investment in new highly automated equipment designed to minimise vehicle turnaround times. An additional new empty container handler has also been added to the Tilbury fleet.

Commenting on the investment at the port of Tilbury Perry Glading, Chief Operating Officer of Forth Ports said: *"This important investment by both the port and Pentalver demonstrates a strong commitment to the operation at our port. We have a great working relationship with Pentalver and we were keen to support their business by moving their operations to a new facility closer to our container terminal business. The new facility is a true partnership development and we are pleased to see the facility now fully open and operational."*

Shaun Allen, Chief Operating Officer of Pentalver Group said: *"Our new premises reinforce our commitment to the Port of Tilbury, which continues to play a significant role in Pentalver's plans for the future. The new site, which is closer to the container terminal business and benefits from significant investment, ideally positions us to meet the needs of our Tilbury clients now and in the future."*

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Notes to Editors

About The Port of Tilbury - the major gateway to London and the South East

The Port of Tilbury is London's major port, providing fast, modern distribution services for the benefit of the south east of England and beyond. A dynamic and diverse port handling the full range of cargoes with specialist expertise in the handling of paper and forest products, containers & Ro Ro, grain and bulk commodities and construction and building materials.

Tilbury's strategic location makes it the natural point for distribution with 18 million people living within 75 miles. Serving the UK's market, the port offers customers excellent transport links to and from the capital and across the South East where over 50% of the population live and work.

The Port is a diverse multi-modal hub, covering over 850 acres and is well positioned to access the M25 orbital motorway and the rest of the UK's national motorway network. In addition, there are direct rail connections within the Port, with access to the whole of the UK and dedicated barge facilities.

London Container Terminal (LCT) provides a unique combination of European Short Sea and Deep Sea services at the same facility. As the UK's third largest container terminal, Tilbury handles over half a million containers per year.

The London Construction Link (LCL) is a collaboration between the Port of Tilbury and S. Walsh, one of the leading construction solutions companies in London. The partnership is seeking to relieve congestion on the capital's roads, with associated cycling safety and CO2 benefits, through promoting greater use of construction

consolidation and the use of the river for construction projects on or near the Thames. LCL builds upon the Tilbury's pedigree as the logistics and distribution hub for the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics and S. Walsh's success as the largest marine operator on the Thames. LCL is supported by British Cycling.

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About Pentalver

Pentalver offers a unique combination of [transport](#), storage and inland [container logistics solutions](#) within our five strategically placed UK facilities where over 1 million TEU of containers are handled each year. This includes a repair facility, 24/7 on call refrigeration service and a transport operation of over 200 articulated vehicles.

Due to the diversity of services delivered to an exceptional and consistent quality, underpinned by a commitment to add real value through innovative logistics thinking, Pentalver has managed to become one of the leading 'one stop' shops to the UK logistics industry.

Over the past 30 years Pentalver has expanded through business growth and self-investment to become a leading provider of container-related services in the UK with a diverse portfolio of customers. The company understands the importance of investment in both equipment and people, and the correlation between this and enabling us to sustain reliability and expertise. It also promotes fuel efficiency through investing in the newest machinery and vehicles, driver training and awareness.