

# Peel Ports Group commits to becoming net zero by 2040

Peel Ports, the group behind the likes of Liverpool2 and Manchester Ship Canal, has committed to becoming net zero by 2040.

The Liverpool-headquartered port operator has unveiled a number of initiatives and investments to help drive a more sustainable agenda and reach the net zero milestone across all of its locations in the UK and Ireland.

By the end of this year, Peel Ports aims to have 50% of its vehicle fleet replaced with electric cars, with the remainder in place by December 2022, and is currently undergoing trials of greener fuels and electric alternatives for the future of its operational machinery and equipment.

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The group added that it has invested over £1.2bn across the last decade on sustainable infrastructure and technology to future proof its operations including the delivery of energy efficient cranes, LED lighting and choosing sustainable, low emission equipment and suppliers.

Chief executive Mark Whitworth said: “Our ports provide critical infrastructure as the UK’s gateways for food, medical, energy and fuel supplies.

“It is therefore important that as a responsible business we incite positive change in the UK’s logistics market to tackle climate change.

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“We understand and acknowledge our responsibility to minimising the environmental impact of our operations for the benefit of the planet, while also ensuring the smooth continuation of the supply chain.

“Our vision for the future of our business, our people, our customers and our communities is ambitious.

“Ultimately, our net zero plans will work towards achieving long-term sustainable growth that has a positive impact on the environment, as well as regional and local economies for generations to come.”

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