

## DOCKING: Apprentice joins Tidal Transit



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Docking firm Tidal Transit, which provides vessels to service the growing offshore wind industry, has just taken on board its first apprentice who will be learning the ropes of administration in its office.

Kerry Crompton, who is from Docking, joined the company three weeks ago to undertake an 18-month apprenticeship in administration. Her training will be totally work-placed based, although staff from the College of West Anglia in Lynn will undertake a regular assessment of her personal progress through specific task allocations.

Kerry will undertake a wide variety of tasks across Tidal Transit's spectrum of operations; she is currently helping manage the company's Norfolk Fishing Trips activities. In her leisure time Kerry likes to play netball and socialise with her friends.

The continued growth in demand from offshore wind farm developers and contractors to charter Tidal Transit's state-of-the-art personnel transfer vessels has created rapid growth for this young company, and in welcoming Kerry to the company commercial director Leo Hambro said: "Like many of today's young people, I believe that Kerry has the personal attributes to succeed in this dynamic offshore renewable energy industry. She is on a steep learning curve, but with the support of the College of West Anglia and the team here at Tidal Transit I am confident that she will make a great success of this apprenticeship."

He added: "I hope this is the first of a number of apprenticeship opportunities that we shall be able to offer to North Norfolk's young people."

Tidal Transit's vessels have MCA Cat 1 coding and 10,000 litre fuel tanks which allow them to work up to 150 miles offshore, well within the range of the UK's forthcoming Round 3 offshore wind farms.

Each vessel provides four crew members and 12 passengers with comfortable beds, bathrooms, galley, internet access and entertainment facilities, allowing wind farm engineers and support technicians to live and work offshore for up to several days at a time.

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