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**Ports prepare for digital revolution:
Report examining connectivity at UK's economic gateways**

The British Ports Association has recently published completed research into port digitalisation, in particular mobile coverage, and deployment. Key findings of the research include that digitalisation of ports helps them to operate more autonomously and efficiently.

5G technology is seen as a key driver of technological innovation, although the report notes that providing coverage at ports is not aligned with the priorities of mobile operators.

It is important for ports to embrace digitalisation and connectivity to ensure that they remain competitive, especially with the increased automation which is likely to be a feature of ports going forward. There are several factors such as port location and availability of power, infrastructure and planning permissions that will be important to consider for Humber ports in adopting these new technologies.

British Ports Association, 7 May 2021

www.britishports.org.uk/news/ports-prepare-for-digital-revolution-report-examining-connectivity-at-uks-economic-gateways

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