

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Committee	River Hamble Harbour Board
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1. Summary

- 1.1. This report summarises the incidents and events in the Harbour from 23 September until 4 November 2011. Any incidents or events which take place after this report is distributed will be the subject of a separate Annex to be distributed at the meeting.

2. Patrols

- 2.1. The harbour has been patrolled daily by the duty Harbour Master at various times between the hours of 0600 and 2300 until 30 September, and between 0800 and 1800 thereafter.

3. Incidents and events

- 3.1. 25 September. Patrol attended Hamble Jetty in response to a report of a gentlemen who had fallen off the pontoon and hit his head. No further action required, but the gentleman was advised to seek medical help.
- 3.2. 27 September. Report of theft of various items, including an outboard motor, from a moored boat. Police informed.
- 3.3. 28 September. Motor yacht arrived alongside Warsash Jetty with a suspected heart attack victim on board. First Aid given and ambulance called. Patient transferred to hospital where he made a full recovery.
- 3.4. 1 October. Report of collision between a moving yacht and a moored yacht. Owners contacted in an effort to exchange insurance details.
- 3.5. 2 October. Patrol stopped a motor boat whose occupants had been seen to throw an empty beer can into the River. Name and address taken, but turned out to be false.

- 3.6 4 October. Patrol attended a motor yacht with a reported diesel leak alongside in a marina. Source of leak swiftly identified and stopped.
- 3.7 6 October. Report of attempted theft of dinghy and outboard from an occupied moored yacht on two consecutive nights. Police informed.
- 3.8 8 October. Sea Safety and flare disposal 'amnesty' day. See below.
- 3.9 9 October. Patrol assisted a racing yacht with a broken rudder back to its mooring.
- 3.10 13 October. Patrol attended a vessel which had suffered a broken mooring and assisted with recovery. No damage to vessel.
- 3.11 20 October. Patrol assisted a broken down motor vessel and towed to Warsash Jetty. Repairs effected and boat escorted upstream to permanent berth.
- 3.12 24 October. Patrol noted a yacht lying very low in the water. Owner contacted. Patrol gained forcible entry and deployed pumps which prevented sinking. Yacht lifted out to effect repairs.
- 3.13 25 October. Commercial bait diggers reported in vicinity of Crableck bend. Appropriate authorities informed.
- 3.14 27 October. Very high spring tides caused problems with debris in the River, and several incidents with moorings.
- 3.15 29 October. Patrol rendered first aid and assistance to a yacht owner who had accidentally stabbed his hand with a pair of scissors.
- 3.16 4 November. Yacht aground on Hook Spit. Assistance offered but not required. Re-floated after 8 hours.
- 3.17 4 November. Patrol attended a moored yacht which was taking-on water. Owner informed and yacht pumped out by Patrol. The yacht was lifted-out for repairs the following day.
- 3.18 7 November. Harbour Office staff rendered assistance to a yacht skipper who had fallen into the cockpit and broken her arm and sustained facial injuries. Ambulance and paramedics attended.
- 3.19 10 November. Yacht aground on Hook Spit. Refloated after 3 hours.
- 3.20 17 November. Patrol attended a moored yacht with a loud alarm sounding. Owner informed and access gained so that alarm could be isolated.

4. Sea Safety and Flare 'Amnesty' Day

- 4.1 The Harbour Authority held a successful Sea Safety and Flare 'Amnesty' Day in Warsash on the 8 October, in conjunction with pyrotechnic disposal experts, Ramora UK. In total, 1700 out-of-date flares (Time Expired Pyrotechnics) were handed in, with the oldest being 50 years old. The event also involved representatives from sea safety organisations which provided information and advice on safety at sea. Tea, coffee and cakes were served and raised £183 for the chosen charity of the day, Hamble Lifeboat.

4.2 The event received very positive feedback from the boating public and the sea safety organisations have requested a similar event again in the future, if possible.

5. Recommendation

5.1. **It is recommended that this report be noted.**

CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Corporate Strategy

Hampshire safer and more secure for all:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Maximising well-being:	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
Enhancing our quality of place:	no
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

Document

Location

None

Integral Appendix B

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:

1. Equalities Impact Assessment:

- 1.1. A full Equalities Impact Assessment for the River Hamble Harbour Authority's compliance with the Port Marine Safety Code has been carried out and this report does not raise any issues not previously covered by that Assessment.

2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:

- 2.1. Some elements on this report involve crime and disorder. The River Hamble Harbour Authority seeks to use its powers to reduce crime and disorder in the harbour at every opportunity, working closely with the Police to that end.

3. Climate Change:

- a) How does what is being proposed impact on our carbon footprint / energy consumption? The contents of this report have no impact on carbon footprint or energy consumption
- b) How does what is being proposed consider the need to adapt to climate change, and be resilient to its longer term impacts? Not applicable to this report.