

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 2 December 2012. Any incidents or events which take place after this report is distributed will be the subject of a separate Annex to be circulated at the meeting.

2. Patrols

- 2.1. The harbour has been patrolled daily by the Duty Harbour Master at various times between 0800 and 1800.

3. Incidents and events

- 3.1. 5 December. Patrol pumped out a vessel that was partly submerged due to failure of the battery which powered the automatic bilge pump. Owner informed.
- 3.2. 8 December. Harbour Office staff noticed that a vessel had broken its mooring and was drifting to shore. Patrol were called but by the time they arrived at the scene the vessel had beached. The DHM waded out to the vessel to secure a line, which was then passed to the patrol boat. The patrol boat managed to tow the vessel to deeper water where it was handed over to its owner (Warsash Maritime Academy).
- 3.3. 9 December. As a result of the high winds experienced over the previous 24 hours, the Patrol undertook a complete check of all moorings. No problems apart from two flapping sails and a number of fenders that had popped.
- 3.4. 12 December. As a response to forecast strong winds and a predicted tidal surge, operational staff checked all moorings near the River entrance and

moved one vessel to a less exposed position. Staff worked extended hours to respond to any incidents during the storm.

- 3.5. 13 December. Patrol assisted with a vessel that had dragged its mooring overnight and was lying alongside another vessel. The owner was informed.
- 3.6. 13 December. Patrol pumped out a vessel that had partly submerged due to the storm. Owner informed.
- 3.7. 13 December. Patrol replaced a number of fenders and secured sails on several vessels following the high winds.
- 3.8. 19 December. Harbour Office informed of works being carried out on saltmarsh north of Port Hamble. Patrol investigated but concluded that works were outside RHHA jurisdiction. Environment Agency informed.
- 3.9. 27 December. Patrol pursued and slowed a motor yacht making excessive wash.
- 3.10. 27 December. Report of gear stolen from a motorboat alongside at Riverside Boatyard. Owner advised to inform Police.
- 3.11. 1 January. Report of outboard motor stolen from vessel on a mid-stream mooring. Owner advised to inform Police.
- 3.12. 2 January. Report of break-in of a vessel on a mid-stream mooring. Various items stolen. Thieves gained access by levering forward hatch, having failed to get in through the main hatch. Police informed.
- 3.13. 3-5 January. High winds caused some damage to sails and covers. Patrol attended and took remedial action where possible.
- 3.14. 12 January. Report that a yacht entering the River at 0430 had crossed a mooring and become entangled with the pick up line in the vicinity of the Warsash Ferry Hard. Seastart attended.

4. Recommendation

- 4.1. **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

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.