

**HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****Report**

<b>Committee</b>	River Hamble Harbour Board
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## 1. Summary

1.1. This report forms a review of fees and charges applicable to the River Hamble. It does not cover Harbour Dues for privately owned leisure vessels, which have been reviewed separately.

## 2. Fees and Charges

2.1. It is proposed that Harbour Dues for commercial vessels should remain unchanged, as follows:

- a. The charge for a commercial vessel visiting Hamble harbour should be 12p plus VAT per Gross Registered Tonne (GRT) per visit, and that the Harbour Master should have the authority to negotiate annual compound charges for regular visitors.
- b. The charge for commercial vessels visiting the Hamble harbour and licensed to carry more than 12 passengers which either embark or disembark passengers on public jetties should remain at 50p plus VAT per passenger, and that the Harbour Master should have the authority to negotiate annual compound charges based on typical annual activity.

2.2. In line with the policy adopted for Harbour Dues, it is proposed that there should be no increase for inflation for charges for Harbour Works Consent. Thus, the charges will remain as follows:

Size of project	Size increment	Proposed total charge for 2012/13
Up to and including 100 sq. metres	Nil	£390 + VAT
Over 100 sq. metres up to 500 sq metres	£50	£440 + VAT
Over 500 sq. metres up to 2,500 sq. metres	£200	£590 + VAT
Over 2,500 sq. metres up to 10,000 sq. metres	£700	£1,090 + VAT
Over 10,000 sq. metres	£1,200	£1,590 + VAT
A reduced fee for applications which fall within the Harbour Master's delegated powers, and consents for maintenance work to structures etc.	Nil	£150 + VAT
Pre-application consultation fee. Attendance at the Streamlined Consents Meeting and one hour of pre-application consultation will be at no charge.	Nil	£46 per hour + VAT (Note: this hourly rate has been increased from £44, in line with the proposal below)

2.3. An additional charge of £50 + VAT is made for each Notice to River Users required in connection with each project.

2.4. It is further recommended that the Harbour Board sets the following rates for discretionary services provided by the Harbour Authority for 2012 (applicable with immediate effect). These charges were last considered in January 2011 and the proposed increase is broadly in line with inflation over the intervening period.

Service	Rate
Emergency towing to nearest point of safety	Free of charge
Other towing/movement of boats within the Harbour Authority limits (at owners request)	£46 per tow + VAT. An additional hourly rate will apply for operations which take more than one hour.
Use of maintenance piles	£25 (inc VAT) per 24 hours or part thereof. Vessels displaying a valid annual Harbour Dues sticker are entitled to the first 24 hours free of charge.

Specific visits to check on boats for security/damage (at owners request)	£46 per hour + VAT. Minimum charge £23 + VAT
Replacing broken or missing fenders or warps (at owners request)	£46 per hour + VAT. Minimum charge £23 + VAT, plus 120% of cost of materials used.
Pumping out (to prevent further damage)	£46 per hour + VAT. Minimum charge £23 + VAT
Re-securing or lashing sails and covers (to prevent further damage)	£46 per hour + VAT. Minimum charge £23 + VAT

**3. Recommendation**

**3.1. It is recommended that the River Hamble Harbour Board confirms the fees and charges set out above and that they are advertised on the River Hamble website.**

**CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**

**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

<b>Hampshire safer and more secure for all:</b>	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Maximising well-being:</b>	yes
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Enhancing our quality of place:</b>	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. This report does not deal with any issues relating to crime and disorder.

### **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.