

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 18 March 2014. 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 by the Duty Harbour Master at various times between 0800 and 2000 Sunday to Thursday and 0630 and 2230 Friday and Saturday.

3. Incidents and events

- 3.1 30 Mar. Report received of a collision between a sailing yacht manoeuvring under power and a vessel alongside. Details exchanged.
- 3.2 30 Mar. Harbour Office staff attended a medical emergency (severed finger) and rendered first aid. Ambulance called but was later stood down by the ambulance service on the grounds that the casualty could be taken to hospital by car.
- 3.3 31 Mar. Report received from Coastguard of a yacht on fire alongside at Port Hamble Marina. Patrol attended and, on arrival, the Fire Brigade was on scene and the fire was already contained.
- 3.4 31 Mar. Patrol noticed smoke from the vicinity of Mercury Marina and attended to discover another yacht on fire. Patrol noted marina staff/owners on the vessel and someone attempting to extinguish the fire with a utility hose. Patrol advised that they clear the scene. Patrol declined to move the yacht away from its berth due to the risks involved and the intensity of the fire. Fire Brigade arrived on scene and attempted to extinguish the fire with water hoses. Shortly thereafter, the mast fell down

and a gas cylinder exploded on board. Coastguard and RNLI also attended. It took almost two hours to extinguish the fire completely, by which time the yacht was at risk of sinking. Patrol deployed an oil spill boom around the yacht and alerted the Harbour Authority's oil spill response contractors (although they were not deployed). Following advice from the Environment Agency, the Harbour Master authorised pumping some of the water into the River to prevent sinking and more extensive pollution. The yacht was safely recovered ashore without further incident.

- 3.5 1 Apr. Installation of the new bridge to the Fishermen's jetty was completed.
- 3.6 8 April. Patrol assisted Hampshire Police searching for a reported missing person. The person was found later by the Police, safe and well.
- 3.7 16 April. Patrol towed a vessel with engine failure from the entrance of the harbour to a point of safety.
- 3.8 5 May. Patrol towed a vessel with engine failure to safety.
- 3.9 9 May. Patrol assisted a vessel that had gone aground on Hamble Spit. Patrol towed the vessel to safety.
- 3.10 10 May. A report was received a vessel had broken its stern line. Patrol re-secured the vessel and the owner was informed.
- 3.11 17 May. Patrol assisted a vessel with engine failure.
- 3.12 17 May. Patrol received a call regarding two personal watercraft speeding within the harbour. Unfortunately, due to the speed involved, the patrol could not stop the craft but they did leave the harbour and didn't return.
- 3.13 17 May. Patrol assisted with a sunken tender and engine which had been left on a mooring while the owner was away.
- 3.14 17 May. Patrol assisted Hampshire Police with a report of a missing person. The person was later found by the Police, safe and well.
- 3.15 18 May. Patrol notified of a collision between a moving vessel and a moored vessel. Photos taken and owner informed. Superficial damage only.
- 3.16 24 May. Patrol successfully assisted a yacht which had crossed a fore-and-aft mooring and become entangled.
- 3.17 29 May. Report of dinghy stolen from Cabin Boatyard. Police aware.
- 3.18 31 May. Patrol assisted a broken down vessel in River entrance. Towed to safe berth.
- 3.19 8 June. Patrol received a report of a hit-and-run collision between a moving yacht and a moored fishing launch. Patrol managed to trace the responsible vessel and ensured that details were exchanged between owners.
- 3.20 14 June. Patrol attended a vessel with a medical emergency onboard, assisted it to a safe berth and liaised with Ambulance.
- 3.21 15 June. Patrol towed a broken down speedboat to Warsash slipway.

- 3.22 20 June. Report of collision between a racing dinghy and a motor-sailor (under power) in the main channel. Motor-sailor failed to stop or report collision. Follow-up action taken.
- 3.23 21 June. Report of theft of generator from cockpit locker (locked) of a yacht on a midstream mooring. Police informed. Generator marked with SmartWater. The generator was subsequently recovered.
- 3.24 22 June. Patrol assisted the owner of a small speedboat which had sunk overnight whilst secured alongside HMJ Warsash. Recovered to Warsash slipway. No fuel escaped.
- 3.25 25 June. Patrol called to assist a sailing yacht with engine failure near Warsash Maritime Academy. The yacht had collided with a moored vessel before a tow could be passed. Yacht towed to Warsash Jetty without further incident.
- 3.26 26 June. Patrol called to the aftermath of a collision on Warsash Jetty where a boat manoeuvring alongside hit a moored vessel causing significant damage to the pulpit. Owners exchanged details.
- 3.27 26 June. Patrol attended a minor diesel spill at fuel berth. Booms deployed and spill cleaned up by fuel berth operators.
- 3.28 29 June. Patrol responded to reports of a small inflatable being blown out of the River with two persons on board.

4. Annual Crabbing Competition

- 4.1 The Harbour Authority annual Crabbing Competition was held on Saturday 14 June. Some 93 young people took part and a total of £478 was raised for the charity 'Meningitis Now'.

5. Harbour Master's Pursuit Race

- 5.1 The annual Harbour Master's Pursuit Race for dinghies was held on 28 June, with the assistance of the River Hamble Combined Clubs. 34 dinghies took part and £170 was raised for the Ellen MacArthur Cancer Trust.

6. Recommendation

- 6.1 **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:	yes
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.)	
<u>Document</u>	<u>Location</u>
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. The content of this report includes a reference to crime on the River.

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.