

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Report**

Committee	River Hamble Harbour Board
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1. Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to recommend the rate for Harbour Dues for 2015.

2. Background

- 2.1 There was a 1% increase in Harbour Dues for 2014. The approved budget for 2014/15 shows a projected surplus of £25,800 but this does not include the previously approved £35,000 transfer to the Asset Replacement reserve so is, in effect, a projected deficit of £9,200. CPI for May 2014 was 1.5%. Hampshire County Council employees are likely to be awarded a 1% pay rise, backdated to 1 April 2014 and, in addition, eligible members of staff will receive annual incremental increases. The total salary increase will add about £6500 to the annual expenditure budget for 2015/16. It is anticipated that overall Harbour Authority revenue expenditure, excluding salaries, will increase broadly in line with CPI and that any further salary increase in April 2015 is unlikely to be greater than CPI.

3. Proposal

- 3.1. It is proposed that Harbour Dues for 2015 be increased by 1.5% (i.e. in line with CPI).
- 3.2. The Harbour Dues proposed are shown in the table below. It should be noted that the Dues as shown are exclusive of VAT. Rates are per metre of length overall (LOA), or part thereof, per year. There is no proposal to change the daily or weekly rates.

Type of Mooring	Dues for 2014 (excluding VAT)	Dues for 2015 (excluding VAT)
Mid-stream moorings - Resident	£14.67	£14.82
Marina/dry sailors (basic rate)	£13.33	£13.47
Mid-stream moorings Commercial	£13.33	£13.47

4. Recommendation

- 4.1 It is recommended that the River Hamble Harbour Board agrees to increase Harbour Dues for 2015 by 1.5 per cent, as set out in the table above.**

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. Equality Duty

1.1. The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited under the Act;
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, gender and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- a) The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant characteristic connected to that characteristic;
- b) Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- c) Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

Equalities Impact Assessment:

1.2. 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 contents of this report will have no impact on 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.