

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 13 January 2015. 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 1800 daily.

3. Incidents and events

- 3.1 29 Jan. Patrol discovered a vessel with a parted pile line and lying alongside a vessel downstream from its own mooring. Patrol towed the vessel back on to its mooring and replaced the mooring lines. Owner informed.
- 3.2 7 Feb. Patrol assisted a motor vessel with engine problems to get alongside.
- 3.3 14 Feb. Patrol received a report of a whole sail floating in the mouth of the River causing a navigational hazard, but an extensive search proved fruitless.
- 3.4 19 Feb. Patrol called to investigate a small yacht in danger of sinking. Cause identified as a short mooring line and very high tide, the combination of which was holding the bow down.
- 3.5 20 Mar. Patrol attended a yacht which had parted a pile line and was lying across its mooring. Temporary line attached and owner informed.
- 3.6 21 Mar. Patrol assisted a personal water craft in difficulties on Hook Spit and towed back to Warsash slipway.

- 3.7 22 Mar. Casualty with head injury landed at Hamble Point Marine by Hamble lifeboat, contrary to Standard Operating Procedures.
- 3.8 22 Mar. Report of collision between a manoeuvring yacht and a moored yacht. Owners details exchanged.

4. Multi agency exercise

- 4.1 The Harbour Office participated in a multi-agency table top exercise with Hampshire Fire and Rescue and Hampshire Police Marine Unit on the 3 December. The scenario was a vessel on fire adrift in the river. The main purpose was to seek clarification of roles, command and control, and which organisation would have primacy where an incident takes place mid-stream. All parties agreed that primacy would be with the RHHA if the incident occurred mid-stream but would be with Hampshire Fire and Rescue if the incident occurs alongside where direct access can be achieved from the land. The exercise was a great opportunity to meet with other organisations and agree protocols. This also led to a meeting with the Chief Fire Officer of Hampshire Fire and Rescue who undertook a familiarisation trip up the river to discuss further implications if an incident did occur in the future.

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:	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.)

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 (including environmental responsibilities) 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. There are no references to crime on the River in the content of this report.

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.