

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**Report**

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1. Summary

- 1.1. This report summarises the incidents and events in the harbour since 25 September 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 0700 and 1830 daily.

3. Incidents and events

- 3.1. 2 Oct. Patrol assisted a vessel that had gone aground on Brooklands Bend.
- 3.2. 3 Oct. Patrol towed a vessel with engine failure to safety.
- 3.3. 4 Oct. Call received from Coastguard regarding a Mayday call. Patrol tasked to help search for a vessel in the vicinity of Hamble Point buoy and BP Hamble. Stood down after an hour with vessel found elsewhere.
- 3.4. 16 Oct. Report received regarding a speeding RIB which caused excessive wash and disturbed a person who was working aloft at the time. Patrol stopped the vessel and a formal warning was issued.
- 3.5. 17 Oct. Office received a call regarding a small oil slick. Patrol identified the craft and the marina was notified.
- 3.6. 30 Oct. Patrol tasked to help search for a missing child along the river banks. Call received later that the child had been found safe and well.
- 3.7. 7 Nov. Due to strong winds, patrol replaced and re-secured various pile lines and fenders.

- 3.8. 8 Nov. Call received from Hamble Lifeboat regarding a female casualty being brought to Warsash Jetty with a heart condition. Patrol cleared the jetty and assisted the other emergency services involved.
- 3.9. 8 Nov. Report received that a female had been recovered from the water but assistance was required to help secure the vessel safely back on its mooring. Patrol attended.
- 3.10. 8 Nov. Call received from Coastguard regarding a man overboard recovered from the Solent while racing. Casualty brought into Warsash Jetty. Patrol assisted and after seeking medical advice the casualty was discharged.
- 3.11. 9 Nov. Patrol replaced loose mooring line on A Pontoon.
- 3.12. 12 Nov. Patrol recovered a large log from the River.
- 3.13. 14 Nov. Patrol attended RAFYC canoe race at Bursledon.
- 3.14. 17 Nov. Further high winds. Patrol attended a yacht with snagged mooring lines and re-packed ballooning Main Sail into cover.
- 3.15. 18 Nov. Patrol moved two boats to the Visitors' Pontoon from E6 and 7 following failure of pile iron bolts. Responded to call from Police regarding possible shedding of lorry cargo from M27 bridge. Nothing recovered.
- 3.16. 19 Nov. Patrol attended Swanwick Marina report of stolen planking.
- 3.17. 20 Nov. Patrol replaced fenders on Visitors' Pontoon in high winds.
- 3.18. 21 Nov. Patrol adjusted slack bow line of moored yacht to prevent stern impacting on pile.
- 3.19. 22 Nov. Patrol attended vessel aground at Hamble Spit on a rising tide. Vessel refloated.
- 3.20. 24 Nov. Patrol towed two yachts from Visitors' Pontoon to moorings.
- 3.21. 26 Nov. Patrol towed yacht back to E5-6 (pile iron now repaired).
- 3.22. 27 Nov. Patrol towed second yacht back to E5-6. Owners informed.
- 3.23. 28 Nov. Patrol assisted yacht with mooring line caught on propeller. Towed yacht to safety.
- 3.24. 29 Nov. Particularly strong winds. Patrol place breast lines on a number of exposed boats.
- 3.25. 1 Dec. Patrol released snagged mooring line and secured a number of loose halyards.
- 3.26. 2 Dec. Patrol attended dinghy aground on Hamble Spit following report from HMCG.

- 3.27. 3 Dec. Patrol responded to a call from a member of the public regarding commercial bait digging. Diggers outside limits (6m from piles) – reported to IFCA in accordance with standard operating procedure.
- 3.28. 5 Dec. Patrol attended a yacht aground on Hook Spit. Vessel re-floated on rising tide.
- 3.29. 6 Dec. Patrol replaced a number of fenders and replaced pile caps on B6 and HP16.
- 3.30. 7 Dec. Patrol fitted a number of new pile caps.
- 3.31. 8 Dec. Patrol retrieved owners' keys, left on board a yacht.
- 3.32. 9 Dec. Patrol attended to loose mooring line and replaced frayed line on another craft. Owners notified. Patrol stood by to respond to ABP report of an oil spill in Southampton Water.
- 3.33. 11 Dec. Patrol responded to report of dog lost in water – dog retrieved.
- 3.34. 12 Dec. Patrol assisted yacht with engine problems to Mercury Marina.
- 3.35. 13 Dec. Patrol moved a yacht to accommodate maintenance dredging.
- 3.36. 14 Dec. Patrol released a mooring line caught around a rudder.
- 3.37. 16 Dec. Patrol returned two yachts to moorings post maintenance dredging.
- 3.38. 17 Dec. Yacht moved to accommodate maintenance dredge at Hamble Point. Cleaned tide gauges.
- 3.39. 18 Dec. Patrol inspected a yacht reported as damaged, liaising with owner.
- 3.40. 21 Dec. Patrol general survey of moorings following prolonged strong winds. Number of fenders replaced. Provided first aid engine support to fishing boat.
- 3.41. 22 Dec. Patrol called to assist in search for missing dory at Mercury Marina. Patrol tidied Main Sail, loose from cover. Lashings replaced and owner informed.
- 3.42. 27 Dec. Overnight activation of an Electronic Position Indicating Beacon in the vicinity of Warsash led to a Coastguard-initiated Search and Rescue operation involving a rescue helicopter, Calshot and Hamble lifeboats and the Harbour Authority to track down the owner of the yacht. The EPIRB was triangulated to a position ashore.
- 3.43. 29 Dec. Patrol inspected a red catamaran which appeared to have dragged her mooring in high winds.
- 3.44. 1 Jan. Patrol stood by Hamble New Year's Day Raft Race.
- 3.45. 2 Jan. Patrol general survey of moorings following prolonged strong winds. A number of fenders replaced.

4. Pile Replacement Programme

- 4.1. The Crown Estate will be undertaking a programme of replacing 25 mooring piles during the winter months along with an agreed maintenance programme which involves the turning or replacement of mooring irons. All customers affected by the programme will be contacted by the Harbour Office before works begin.

5. Multi Agency Exercise

- 5.1. The Harbour Office participated in a multi-agency table top exercise with the following agency's Hampshire Police Marine Unit, HM Coastguard, RNLI, Regs4Ship and ABP Southampton. The scenario was based on an incident that occurred earlier in the year when a powerboat hit the Hamble Point Buoy at speed. The main purpose was to seek clarification of roles and identify an appropriate command and control structure both afloat and on land. The exercise was a great opportunity to meet with other organisations and agree protocols. It has also led to a further exercise which will be practical rather than table top.

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. 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 a number of references to alleged 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.