

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

### Report

<b>Committee/Panel:</b>	River Hamble Harbour Management Committee
<b>Date:</b>	13 March 2020
<b>Title:</b>	Marine Director and Harbour Master's Report and Current Issues
<b>Report From:</b>	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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#### **Purpose of this Report**

1. The purpose of this report is to record formally RHHA Patrol Operations and inform the Duty Holder of significant events and trends having a bearing on the Marine Safety Management System.

#### **Recommendation**

2. It is recommended that the River Hamble Harbour Management Committee supports the contents of this report to the Harbour Board.

#### **Executive Summary**

3. This report summarises the incidents and events which have taken place in the Harbour and addresses any issues currently under consideration by the Harbour Master.

#### **Contextual Information**

##### **Patrols**

4. The harbour has been patrolled by the Duty Harbour Master at various times between 0700 and 2230 daily.

## Incidents and Events

- 5.1. 06 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Routine liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.2. 07 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Re-fitted a parted pile line on behalf of a mid-stream mooring holder. Routine check of Aids to Navigation. Liaison with UK Border Force. Preparations for office ceiling asbestos removal.
- 5.3. 09 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Office closure (patrol continuing) for asbestos removal.
- 5.4. 10 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Patrol to Horse and Jockey to check channel clearance.
- 5.5. 11 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Inspection of RHCP Jetty.
- 5.6. 12 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Support to bird survey. Pumped out an inundated tender at Warsash. Responded to a call from a mid-stream mooring holder reporting that an adjacent vessel appeared to have dragged her mooring.
- 5.7. 13 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Attended a motor vessel which had run over and become foul on a buoy. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.8. 14 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Re-set a number of fenders on mid-stream moored vessels following high winds.
- 5.9. 15 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Comprehensive River mooring survey following extremely high winds. Rendered assistance to a River User whose tender had sank at a mooring. Tender re-floated, pumped out and returned to Warsash.
- 5.10. 16 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. During inspection, patrol re-secured a parted pile line on a mid-stream moored yacht. Patrol re-secured a wind-generator, apparently dislocated during the high winds.
- 5.11. 17 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Patrol replaced a number of failed pile lines on mid-stream moored yachts. Recovered an empty oil drum from the shore South of the M27 bridge. HCC attendance to inspect jetty water supplies. Office ceiling installation work.
- 5.12. 18 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Replaced pile lines on a mid-stream moored yacht. Tide gauge cleaning. Boat coding work.
- 5.13. 19 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Liaison with Marina and Southern Water regarding sewage pump-out options.
- 5.14. 20 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Liaison with HCC engineers surveying the Office Harbour Wall.
- 5.15. 21 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Tree recovery at River Hamble Country Park Jetty. Office refurbishment work.

- 5.16.22 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Liaison with a mid-stream mooring holder reporting apparent collision damage to his vessel. No witness reports received.
- 5.17.23 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Patrol to Botley. Office refurbishment work. Dome glass replacement.
- 5.18.24 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Crown Estate pile maintenance programme meeting. Tow of a mid-stream moored vessel to a temporary mooring at owner's request.
- 5.19.25 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Liaison with four mid-stream mooring holders affected by forthcoming planned marina dredging work. Re-checked mooring lines of vessel moved at 5.18. Checked a vessel with apparently insecure cabin boards. Owner contacted. Patrol then inspected adjacent yachts on the 'V' run. Two vessels had been broken into and an attempt had been made to start one, a motor boat. Subsequent liaison with Hampshire Police and the owners.
- 5.20.26 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Further liaison with Hampshire Police regarding break-ins.
- 5.21.27 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Further liaison with mooring holders affected by break-ins. Boat coding work.
- 5.22.28 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Wider inspection of the 'U' and 'V' runs off Land's End revealed that a number of other vessels had been broken into. Reported to the Police and owners informed. The majority of items stolen appeared to be tools. Support to Hampshire Marine Police Unit. Litter Collection at River Hamble Country Park Jetty.
- 5.23.29 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Tow of a mid-stream moored yacht from a temporary mooring to her proper berth at the owner's request. Further liaison with the Police and owners affected by theft/break-in.
- 5.24.30 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Patrol boat anti-foul test work. Responded to a call from a member of the public at RHCP, reporting a dog stuck in the mud near the RHCP Jetty. Owner informed of the risks of entering the mud and advised to wait for the animal to free itself, which it did. Patrol stood down. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.25.31 Jan. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks.
- 5.26.01 Feb. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Office temporary roofing removal. Liaison with HM Coast Guard regarding Electronic Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) activation in or near the River. Unlocated and suspected to be ashore. Incident closed.
- 5.27.02 Feb. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.28.03 Feb. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor regarding mooring standards and the forthcoming planned pile maintenance programme. Replacement of a pile line on a mid-stream moored yacht at the owner's request.

- 5.29.04 Feb. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Enhanced inspection prior to forecast Storm Ciara. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.30.05 Feb. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Routine Marina liaison.
- 5.32.06 Feb. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Support to Hampshire Marine Police Unit conducting boarding training in Southampton Water. Checked a report of loose lines on two mid-stream moored yachts from another River user. Re-secured. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.33.07 Feb. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Routine marina and boatyard liaison.
- 5.34.08 Feb. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Increasing winds and preparations for the arrival of storm CIARA. These included checks for loose equipment and office refurbishment infrastructure. Stopped and re-briefed a group of 8 PWCs (Jet-skis) regarding excessive wake and wash and the need to navigate responsibly within the River. Compliant. Reports taken from a number of mid-stream mooring holders and members of the public regarding a collision between a dredging barge and a Crown Estate pile on the 'V' Run. Damage to the pile was witnessed but no apparent damage caused to either of two adjacent moored vessels or the associated pontoon. Owners informed and vessels given berths in the adjacent marina. Pontoon re-located. Investigation ongoing. Strong winds continued to build throughout the afternoon and evening.
- 5.35.09 Feb. Patrol conducted pontoon and mooring checks. Continued strong winds associated with storm CIARA saw gusts of 60 knots. Patrol re-secured a commercially moored yacht with a parted stern mooring line. Commercial contractor informed. Other moorings sound.

## Issues

6. **Port Marine Safety Code Inspection** - The Harbour Authority's 6 monthly inspection of its Marine Safety Management System took place on 22 January. All previous actions have been completed and the report is at Appendix 1.
7. **Navigational Matters** - This year's routine inspection of Aids to Navigation by Trinity House will be conducted on 17 March. Planned information exchange with the UK Hydrographic Office will result in the issue of a New Edition of Admiralty Chart 2022 to be dated Feb 2020 within the next few months. This edition will include updated depths (which have not changed appreciably) and marina/pontoon modifications, as well as an updated source data diagram. A re-issue such as this is a rare event with the last Edition dating to 2000.
8. **Annual Forum** - This year's Annual Forum and Tender Draw will take place at Warsash Sailing Club on Monday 16 March at 1900. Notification has been placed on the Harbour Authority's web pages and on social media.

Application forms for the Tender Ballot are on the website and available from the Harbour Office. The deadline for applications is Friday 6 March.

9. **New Harbour Management System** - Following an extensive tender process, the RHHA has commissioned Viking Systems Lt to deliver a new electronic moorings management system which will be implemented in time for the next billing round. This new system conforms to GDPR regulations and will allow private and commercial customers to manage their accounts securely on-line. Those who wish will still be able to pay invoices in person in the Harbour Office. Further information and instructions will be issued to those affected in due course.
  
10. **Hamble Showers** - Agreement in principle has been reached with Hamble Life Boat and Hamble Parish Council regarding access and meterage for water and power. Discussions continue regarding responsibilities for meeting water quality standards and any requirement to formalise a lease.

An update on this work will be provided verbally.

**REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:  
Links to the Strategic Plan**

<b>Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:</b>	yes
<b>People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:</b>	yes
<b>People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:</b>	yes
<b>People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:</b>	yes

**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

## **EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:**

### **1. Equality Duty**

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 by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation);
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

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

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

### **2. Equalities Impact Assessment:**

- (a) An EIA is not required as no negative impacts are anticipated.