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NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting	River Hamble Harbour Board
Date and Time	Friday, 25th September, 2020 at 2.00 pm
Place	Remote meeting
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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members who believe they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter to be considered at the meeting must declare that interest and, having regard to Part 3 Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter is discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore all Members with a Personal Interest in a matter being considered at the meeting should consider, having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 4 of the Code, whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 5 of the Code, consider whether it is appropriate to leave the meeting while the matter is discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 5 - 6)

To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 July 2020.

4. DEPUTATIONS

To receive any deputations notified under Standing Order 12.

5. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive any announcements the Chairman may wish to make.

6. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RIVER HAMBLE HARBOUR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - 11 SEPTEMBER 2020

(To follow)

To receive the draft minutes of the meeting of the River Hamble Harbour Management Committee held on 11 September 2020.

7. MARINE DIRECTOR AND HARBOUR MASTER'S REPORT AND CURRENT ISSUES (Pages 7 - 36)

To consider a report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services summarising incidents and events in the Harbour and covering issues currently under consideration by the Marine Director.

8. ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE (Pages 37 - 42)

To consider a report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services summarising recent environmental management of the Harbour.

9. RIVER HAMBLE FINAL ACCOUNTS 2019/20 (Pages 43 - 82)

To consider a report of the Directors of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services and Culture, Communities and Business Services presenting the final accounts for the financial year 2019/20.

10. REVIEW OF HARBOUR DUES (Pages 83 - 88)

To consider a report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services in respect of the rate of Harbour Dues for 2020/21.

11. FORWARD PLAN FOR FUTURE MEETINGS (Pages 89 - 92)

To consider a report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services anticipating future business items for the Committee and Harbour Board.

ABOUT THIS AGENDA:

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Public Document Pack Agenda Item 3

AT A REMOTE MEETING of the River Hamble Harbour Board of HAMPSHIRE
COUNTY COUNCIL held on Friday, 10th July, 2020

Chairman:

* Councillor Keith Evans

- * Councillor Peter Latham
- * Councillor Keith House
- * Nikki Hiorns
- * David Jobson
- * Chris Moody
- * Jason Scott

*Present

117. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies.

118. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter considered at the meeting they must declare that interest at the time of the relevant debate and, having regard to the circumstances described in Part 3, Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Non-Pecuniary interest in a matter being considered at the meeting they considered whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 2 of the Code, considered whether it was appropriate to leave the meeting whilst the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

David Jobson declared personal interests as a member of both the RAF and Royal Southern Yacht Clubs, as a mid stream mooring holder and a member of the RYA. Chris Moody declared personal interests as a member of Warsash Sailing Club and as Chairman of Hamble River Boatyard and Marina Operators Association.

119. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 10 JANUARY 2020

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a correct record.

Under matters arising, it was confirmed that thy dry stack rates agreed at the previous meeting had not received any challenge. It was also confirmed that the structural work at the RAF Yacht Club, referred in minute 111, related to a series of pontoons that the Yacht Club had been completing.

120. **DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations.

121. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

122. **HARBOUR WORKS CONSENT APPLICATION - ELEVATED JETTY AT HOLLY HOUSE, SARISBURY GREEN, SO31 7AH**

The Board considered the report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services seeking approval to a Harbour Works Consent application at Holly House, Sarisbury Green.

In response to Members' questions, it was confirmed that:

- The Harbour Authority has a duty to ensure that the jetty not be used as a permanent berth – this is also set out in the recommendations in terms of approving the HWC (recommendation c).
- There was no obligation on the Harbour Authority to maintain the Chinese Bridge but that the management of the bridge was the responsibility of the Hampshire County Council Countryside Service.

RESOLVED:

That the River Hamble Harbour Board approves Harbour Works' Consent for the proposal set out in paragraph 5 of the report and subject to the following conditions:

- a) The proposal is to be built in accordance with the details, plans and method set out in the application.
- b) Harbour Dues must be paid on any qualifying vessel used in association with this jetty.
- c) The jetty is not to be used as a resident berth for any vessel.
- d) This consent does not permit the addition of any pontoon or docking system alongside the jetty.
- e) The deck of the proposed jetty is to be open grid GRP to maximise light penetration and therefore significantly reduce the effects of shading.
- f) Timing of the works to be outside the overwintering bird season which runs from October 1st to March 31st (inclusive) to ensure any adverse effects on the integrity of the Solent and Southampton Water SPA and Ramsar Site is sufficiently avoided.
- g) A Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) must be submitted to, and approved by Fareham Borough Council, and adhered to in order to avoid any accidental pollution events and therefore an adverse impact on the integrity of the SAC, SPA and Ramsar.
- h) The development must be completed within 3 years from the date of the approval granted by the Harbour Board.

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Committee:	River Hamble Harbour Board
Date:	25 September 2020
Title:	Marine Director and Harbour Master's Report and Current Issues
Report From:	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 Board supports the contents of this report.

Executive Summary

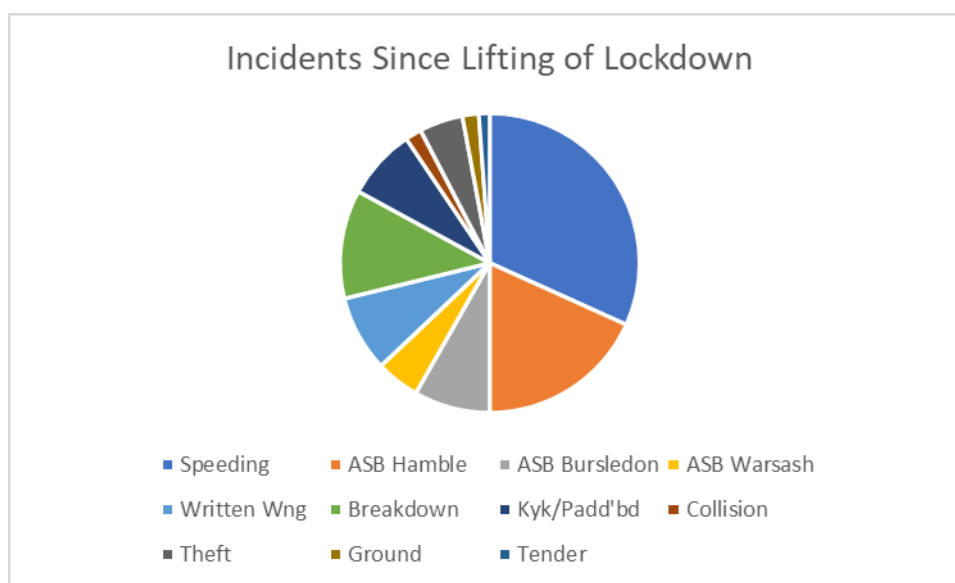
3. This report summarises the incidents and events which have taken place in the Harbour and addresses any issues currently under consideration by the Harbour Master. It covers a longer period because of the effect of Coronavirus on Governance meetings.

Contextual Information

Patrols

4. The Harbour has been patrolled by the Duty Harbour Master at various times between 0700 and 2230 daily. Mooring and pontoon checks have been conducted daily throughout the period. During the period of Government lockdown because of COVID 19, Harbour Patrols conducted additional patrols for reassurance purposes at mooring holders' requests. The Harbour Authority also supported and facilitated legitimate commercial

work during this period, liaising with adjacent Harbour Authorities and the Coast Guard. Further additional activity daily under lockdown included policing Government restrictions and fielding calls from River Users wishing to stay on their boats as well as small craft users wishing to 'exercise' upon the water. The full list of incidents and events is at the Appendix to this report. Throughout the COVID restrictions and since, the volume of daily support activity listed above has been considerable and the amount of text in no way reflects the levels of activity, in particular anti-social activity, experienced.



Comparison of data with that from the same period last year is difficult. It is significant that, when added together, speeding and anti-social behaviour are most common, most notably at Hamble Quay.

Issues

- 5. Coronavirus Restrictions** – The Harbour Authority has sustained its marine safety and environmental services unbroken throughout the Coronavirus outbreak. It has supported legitimate commercial traffic and businesses which could not operate from home throughout and advised on practical measures to remain compliant with changes in legislation. It has also informed and updated private mooring holders and marine businesses of changes and managed expectations of those anxious about their vessels. Adherence to the Law and guidelines has generally been very good with the very small number challenged on the water receptive. The lifting in restrictions, combined with the closure of schools and the furlough initiative saw an explosion in marine activity. This activity has been broad and seen a huge increase in paddleboard and kayak use, as well as in the use of Personalised Water Craft (jet skis) from Warsash. It has also brought

about an increase in the number of occurrences of anti-social behaviour. Extra patrols have been required to police the changing guidelines and support legitimate commercial traffic. These patrols also focused heavily on providing reassurance to the many River Users unable to visit their vessels in lockdown. Tailored support has been provided at no cost to mooring holders. In delivering this enhanced support, the Harbour Team has faced challenges with partners shielding and safeguarding of its own health and wellbeing through changes in procedures. A thorough Risk Assessment was conducted with additional control measures put in place to remain compliant and ensure robust capability delivery. The office remains closed to the Public but this is not affecting business operations and our position is fully sustainable. The uncertainty of our annual Visitor income, representing around £45000 caused initial concern. Vastly increased boating activity since the lifting in restrictions has been encouraging however. Last year, our visitors' and launching income at the end of July stood at £18000. This year has seen income of £10900. This latter figure represents income taken over 10 weeks and, while further Government restrictions cannot be ruled out, we continue to make inroads on the shortfall brought about by a fallow Easter period daily. Updates will be provided at future meetings.

6. **Navigational Matters** – The return of people to the water in May and since has brought additional challenges. Paddle boarding and kayaking has become more popular with larger numbers than ever using the River. While this has taken place everywhere in the River, the main centre for such launching has been the slipway at Swanwick. Here, the large number of those launching, many of them very inexperienced, combined with the large number of vessels navigating from and to their home berths in the many marinas and yards has brought friction and complaints. Many private individuals have bought paddle boards and kayaks and two paddle boarding companies have established themselves to take advantage of the business opportunity. This has made the River (and Swanwick car park) very busy. Recognising the challenges brought about by this, the Harbour Authority has reviewed the risks and put in place additional control measures which rely on both paddleboarders and craft navigating in the area to comply with existing clear Rules and new instructions, designed to minimise paddle board and kayak/canoe activity in the Main Channel. It is important to acknowledge that small craft cannot be prevented from accessing the water, nor would the Harbour Authority wish to. Board policy is rightly to encourage such use of the River. The Harbour Authority has commissioned and put in place signage to direct small craft out of the Main Channel. In doing so, it has recognised that these users will generally be less familiar with the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea. It has therefore developed signage using plain English and pictorial representations. The signage informs these users that they should not remain in the Main Channel but, taking account of the traffic, cross the River perpendicularly to pass inshore of the 'U' and 'V' pontoons on the Bursledon bank before crossing again, where visibility is best from

the Jolly Sailor to the inshore channel on the Fareham side between the 'Z' pontoons at the Training Wall. Further signage guides craft to keep to the right towards the Rail bridge and thence upstream. Reverse signage is also in place. This regime is supported by placing a patrol officer in the vicinity at particularly busy times. Patrol has also been moving on those from small craft who have been using private pontoons as sunbathing platforms. It must be recognised that larger craft using the area also have obligations, regardless of how busy the area may be. These obligations are based on International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea (IRPCS) Rules 2 (responsibility), 5 (proper look out), 6 (safe speed) and 8 (action to avoid a collision), in particular 8 f (i) (ii) and (iii). These Rules apply within the River as elsewhere under IRPCS Rule 1 and General Direction Number 2. Owners and Skippers must be familiar with these Rules and the obligation placed upon them to navigate responsibly.

The River has also seen an increased number of Jet Ski launches from the slipway at Warsash brought about in part by closure of slipways at some other local harbours. Lack of knowledge or ignorance of the River Hamble Bye Laws has introduced additional challenges. Speeding, 'doughnuts' (circling at pace) and some abrasive behaviour has been encountered from a minority. It must be emphasised that most craft conform and are keen to learn. The RHHA takes payment for launches over the telephone. Riders are now briefed on the Bye Laws and what not to do in the wider Solent (approach commercial traffic within 500m). This has reduced the impact on other River Users and Harbour Authority patrols. Nevertheless, presence and liaison with the Marine Police Unit has led to a number of 'stops' and will potentially lead to three prosecutions for particularly irresponsible actions. I should like to register my thanks here to the Marine Unit which has been particularly pro-active both in the Hamble and outside. Finally, I would add that Jet Ski riders are particularly strong when it comes to settling Harbour Dues.

- 7. Anti-social and Criminal Behaviour** – The lifting in lock down restrictions, combined with the closure of schools have been key factors in a surge in anti-social behaviour. With one notable exception – that of a threat of violence to RHHA personnel at Warsash, this has predominated on the West bank of the River in three locations: Hamble Jetty, Bursledon Bridge and from the fields to the North of the M27 Bridge. Every occurrence has been caused by large groups of young people. Examples of behaviour include the overt use of Class B drugs, under-age drinking, physical violence, theft and criminal damage. The Harbour Authority is not the proper authority to deal with this activity, nor is it able to deal with the underlying social causes. Instead, its role is to support the proper and responsible authorities, the Police, Eastleigh Borough Council and the relevant Parish Councils. The Police have attended all three locations following calls from members of the Public and from the Harbour Authority. Routine visits to Hamble Jetty by Patrol have been effective in clearing the jetty of swimmers. However, this problem is a broader one. Joint effort is

ongoing to support those responsible in identification of perpetrators using body-worn cameras. At Hamble, we have combined presence at busy times with signage banning the use of the jetty for all but those accessing it for the Pink Ferry and to access boats. Additional reasonable control measures include anti-climb paint on the bridge gantry. Given the Ferry's requirement for routine access and the fact that visitors may arrive after the Harbour Office has closed, it is not practicable or reasonable to lock the jetty. The Riverbed is surveyed regularly to ensure that obvious hazards are removed.

The A27 bridge has seen regular 'tombstoning'. Here, as elsewhere, the Police have attended regularly. Harbour Patrol presence, while marshalling paddleboarders and kayakers locally is effective in deterring those wishing to jump and alight from the adjacent slipway. Again, body-worn cameras are used under authorised arrangements to assist the police in the identification of those responsible.

The farmer's field on the West bank opposite Eastlands Boatyard has been a regular launching point in fine weather for swimmers across the Channel and climbing on vessels and pontoons. Verbal abuse here has been stronger than at most other locations and the throwing of missiles at passing boats is encountered. Alcohol is regularly a contributing factor. Police attendance has been frequent, and Harbour Patrols have achieved some limited success in dispersing the perpetrators.

In summary, it is striking that this social order problem takes place almost entirely on the West Bank of the River and is perpetrated by young people. Constants are verbal abuse and physical threats of violence from minors, under-age drinking and the use of Class B drugs. There is little if any respect for authority or private property. The Harbour Authority will continue to act in support of the proper authorities in any way it can while not compromising its statutory safety duties. While letters to parents and school headteachers from the Harbour Master can help, our powers are limited. While the River is a draw for these individuals, this is a much broader social problem which must continue to be addressed for reasons of public safety.

Appendix 1 To Marine
Director Report
11 September 2020

Incidents and Events

- 5.1. 09 Mar. Pile replacement programme checks. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.2. 10 Mar. Liaison with Crown Estate Pile Maintenance contractors. Towed two yachts from their proper moorings to temporary berths as part of the programme. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.3. 11 Mar. Liaison with Crown Estate Pile Maintenance contractors. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.4. 12 Mar. Investigated possible loss of a mid-stream mooring holder's tender. Responded to a call from a member of the public regarding an abandoned tender at Swanwick. Recovered to office and owner telephoned to arrange collection.
- 5.5. 13 Mar. Patrol boat maintenance. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.6. 14 Mar. Patrol observed a small motorboat, unoccupied, aground on saltmarsh in the Upper River at low water. Anchor deployed. Unable to reach the vessel at that state of tide. On re-visiting at High Water, the vessel was no longer present. Office refurbishment work. Day into night light audit.
- 5.7. 15 Mar. Patrol boat maintenance. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.8. 16 Mar. Continued office refurbishment work. Liaison with Hamble Lifeboat regarding a shore-based casualty at a Marina. Recovery of a metal float from the River at Crableck. Slipway clearance work. Tow of a vessel back to her proper mooring following pile repair work. Boat movement in preparation for pile replacement work on the 'B' run.
- 5.9. 17 Mar. Office refurbishment work. Trinity House Annual Light Audit: nothing significant to report.
- 5.10. 18 Mar. Liaison with Crown Estate pile maintenance contractor. Movement of vessels on the 'B' pontoon. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.11. 19 Mar. Movement of vessels on the 'B' pontoon. Liaison with Crown Estate pile maintenance contractor. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.12. 20 Mar. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor. Recovery of an oil drum from the Fishermens' Jetty. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.13. 21 Mar. Patrol boat maintenance..
- 5.14. 22 Mar. Check of pile lines at mooring holder's request. Office refurbishment work. Tide gauge inspection.
- 5.15. 23 Mar. Liaison with Crown Estate pile maintenance contractor. Commercial tow of vessel to Marina for lift out. Assisted a vessel with propulsion issues to her proper berth. Office refurbishment work. Evening:

Prime Minister's announcement of enhanced control measures and travel restrictions to manage the spread of Coronavirus. Risk assessment modifications commence. RHHA staff designated 'Key Workers'.

- 5.16.24 Mar. Staff briefing on implications of Coronavirus travel restrictions and impact on River Activity. Emergency response discussion and on the need for Personal Protective Equipment. Pile maintenance continuing under the Port Marine Safety Code (PMSC) safety requirement. Movement of a number of vessels to accommodate pile replacement. Liaison with adjacent Harbour Authorities to enable legitimate commercial business.
- 5.17.25 Mar. See 24 Mar. Pile maintenance continuing under PMSC safety requirement. Movement of a number of vessels to accommodate pile replacement. Reinforcement of the need to bear down on all form of recreational on water activity as Patrol called by HM Coast Guard to assist in rescue of a yacht aground at the mouth of the River (one person on board). Vessel refloated at High Water (HW), attended by Calshot Lifeboat. Risk of compromise of social distancing while rescuing highlighted. Policing government restrictions and fielding calls from River Users wishing to stay on their boats and small craft users wishing to 'exercise' upon the water.
- 5.18.26 Mar. Liaison with Crown Estate pile maintenance contractor. Returned vessels to Hamble Point Marina following completion of dredging programme. Return of office equipment to HM office.
- 5.19.27 Mar. Paddleboarders and canoeists re-briefed and directed to leave the water. Compliant. Return of vessels to their proper mooring following completion of the Crown Estate pile replacement programme. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor.
- 5.20.28 Mar. Office refurbishment work. Re-fitted parted stern line on mid-stream moored yacht. Liaison with owners and yards. Attended a vessel whose owner had reported an alarm. No sign of damage/entry/compromise. Owner informed.
- 5.21.29 Mar. Enhanced mooring checks with people unable to travel to their vessels. Liaison with owners and yards. Liaison with adjacent Harbour Authorities to enable legitimate commercial business.
- 5.22.30 Mar. Checked mid-stream moored yachts at owners' requests. Liaison with the Marine Police Unit regarding enforcement of Coronavirus restrictions.
- 5.23.31 Mar. Replaced shredded cover on mid-stream moored vessel. Owner informed. Two private fishermen moved on from HM Jetty Warsash in line with Southern Inshore Fisheries Conservation Authority (SIFCA) guidelines.
- 5.24.01 Apr. Liaison from Crown Estate mooring contractor. Warned local River User for breaching Government guidelines.
- 5.25.02 Apr. Liaison with Crown Estate pile contractor.
- 5.26.03 Apr. Enforcement against a single sculler inbound who returned to Netley.

- 5.27.04 Apr. Enforcement of Coronavirus guidelines with a local individual (compliant after debate) wishing to visit his vessel alone and disagreeing with Government management. Enforcement action with a single paddleboarder.
- 5.28.05 Apr. Enforcement of Coronavirus guidelines with numerous paddle boarders in the Upper Hamble – all receptive.
- 5.29.06 Apr. Tide gauge maintenance. Liaison with a River User attempting to visit his vessel – receptive to advice. Support to a local yard conducting legitimate business.
- 5.30.07 Apr. Liaison with a River User found on his vessel – he already knew the advice but had disregarded it – receptive to advice. Escorted ashore. Liaison with Marine Police Unit to return a single kayaker ashore.
- 5.32.08 Apr. Liaison with UK Border Force regarding visiting yachts from Germany and France. Patrol stopped a male kayaker with his daughter in the Upper Hamble. Kayaker non-compliant, complaining that he worked for the NHS and was entitled to relaxation/exercise. Name and address given and checked – confirmed as a General Practitioner from a practice in the New Forest. Support to a light level of legitimate commercial traffic.
- 5.33.09 Apr. HM stopped a visiting private recreational motor vessel (4 persons on board) attempting to come alongside Hamble Jetty. Escorted from the River – liaison with Southampton HM and Cowes HM, where the vessel arrived later. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit to discourage a number of canoeists attempting to access the River from Hillhead. Coastguard informed.
- 5.34.10 Apr. Removal of two large pieces of timber from the Main Channel.
- 5.35.11 Apr. Coronavirus guideline enforcement with a compliant kayaker in the Upper River.
- 5.36.12 Apr. Liaison with the Pink Ferry regarding Ferry Hard maintenance.
- 5.37.13 Apr. Standard activity.
- 5.38.14 Apr. Patrol witnessed a tender alongside a mid-stream moored yacht near Crableck. Owner on board and advised of Coronavirus essential travel requirements. Initially non-compliant. HM escorted owner ashore.
- 5.39.15 Apr. Tow of yacht (5.38) to her proper mooring.
- 5.40.16 Apr. Pursued 3 Rigid Inflatable Boats (RIB) into Southampton Water. Later discovered RIBs on sea trials for a legitimate business. Company advised of need to clear operations with relevant HMs in order to avoid being stopped.
- 5.41.17 Apr. Stopped a private motor vessel off Hamble claiming to be a commercial move. Skipper claimed falsely to have permission to move from the Harbour Office. HM Direction given to return alongside. Compliant.

- 5.42.18 Apr. Liaison with a Marina regarding the commercial delivery of a yacht and the requirement to ensure awareness of all relevant HMs through whose waters the vessel would pass in order not to divert safety assets.
- 5.43.19 Apr. Advice given to three compliant paddle boarders at the River Hamble Country Park (RHCP), claiming non-awareness of Coronavirus restrictions. Support to Hamble Lifeboat investigating a general search for a missing person (not confirmed to be within the Harbour). Missing person found ashore mid-afternoon having been fishing within the River.
- 5.44.20 Apr. Liaison with a visiting Ministry of Defence (MOD) RIB. Liaison with the Marine Police Unit to re-brief and send ashore a visiting kayaker.
- 5.45.21 Apr. Patrol recovered a large log from the Main Channel near Crableck.
- 5.46.22 Apr. Work to furnish pile cap on B17 as a prospective Oyster Catcher nest. Supported commercial move of a yacht inbound from Gosport. Patrol sighted a group of people cycling on the Bunny Meadows footpath. One had fallen off and sustained grazing injuries. Patrol put ashore, donned Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and given First Aid. Patrol responded to a call from HMCG reporting a cow stuck in muddy ground near Botley. Farmer, Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA) and veterinary surgeon in attendance.
- 5.47.23 Apr. Replaced rubbish bins at the rear of the building because of sustained fly tipping. Patrol stopped a private RIB in the vicinity of the M27 bridge. 2 persons on board claiming not to be aware of restrictions. Advised to return ashore and escorted. Supported a legitimate local business in essential hull repairs to a catamaran. Catamaran deliberately grounded on Hamble Spit. HM made both HMCG and Southampton HM aware in advance. Office fielding calls from members of the public suspecting inappropriate recreational activity.
- 5.48.24 Apr. Liaison with visiting Southampton Harbour Patrol vessel.
- 5.49. 25 Apr. Advised three canoeists of Coronavirus restrictions in the Upper River – all compliant. A number of large logs recovered from the Main Channel. Office refurbishment work.
- 5.50.26 Apr. Patrol stopped 7 paddle boarders in the Upper River and advised them of Coronavirus restrictions – all receptive. One kayaker resisted advice and was directed to return home. Patrol recovered a large tractor tyre, semi-submerged in the Main Channel above the RHCP jetty. Tyre had been cast adrift from Fairthorne Manor by a group known to that organisation.
- 5.51.27 Apr. Southern Water visit to assess overflowing main drain in RHHA yard. Patrol recovered a large branch from the Main Channel. Patrol attended Hamble Lifeboat following a call from a member of the public in Hamble reporting dazzling lights. On arrival, an ad-hoc 'bird scarer' was found to be the source, made of retired compact discs.

- 5.52.28 Apr. Patrol recovered a dove which had landed in the River. Bird recovered to the Harbour Office, dried, fed and released two days later. Fielded numerous calls from members of the public reporting recreational boating. Patrol attended and advised around a dozen paddleboarders and kayakers of coronavirus restrictions – compliant.
- 5.53.29 Apr. 'Harbour Assist' (new harbour management system) training.
- 5.54.30 Apr. Support to Hampshire Marine Police Unit in attending a potential suicide from A27 bridge. Individual talked down by the Police and given appropriate assistance.
- 5.55.01 May. Standard activity.
- 5.56.02 May. Pumped out bilges of two mid-stream moored yachts at owners' request. Advised two individuals fishing between the bridges of Coronavirus guidelines – compliant. Advised two persons in a canoe similarly – compliant. Advised one person in a tender attempting to check a mid-stream moored yacht similarly – compliant.
- 5.57.03 May. Advised a lone sculler entering the River of Coronavirus guidelines – compliant. Liaison with Southampton Harbour Master regarding the same individual. Liaison with local commercial fishermen.
- 5.58.04 May. Response to a call from a member of the public reporting an individual on his mid-stream moored vessel on the 'A' run. On arrival, individual had departed. Attended a mid-stream moored yacht on the 'J' run whose owner was on board conducting maintenance. Entirely dismissive of Harbour Authority intervention. Contacted by HM by telephone who advised regarding the current Law and guidelines. Responded to a call from a member of the public reporting a legitimate local commercial fisherman.
- 5.59.05 May. Light audit.
- 5.60.06 May. Liaison with local owners of Aids to Navigation regarding shortcomings. Pumped out a mid-stream moored yacht appearing low in the water. No damage. Owner informed. Monitoring regime set up with agreement of owner.
- 5.61.07 May. Patrol towed a mid-stream moored yacht back to her proper mooring following maintenance work. Replaced failed light on pile J1. Adjusted pile lines on a mid-stream moored yacht.
- 5.62.08 May. Liaison with a local charter company regarding a commercial move to another berthing provider. Attended Swanwick hard to engage with a number of people attempting to kayak. Abusive towards patrol. Police informed. Recovered a large log from the Main Channel. Attended a yacht with two persons on board. Yacht had returned (heavy lift) from the Caribbean and sailed to a Crown Estate mooring. Owner advised of current regulations – compliant.

- 5.63.09 May. Returned an individual kayaker to Land's End slipway advising of Coronavirus guidelines - compliant. Patrol stopped a small inflatable dinghy at the mouth of the River with three persons on board which had launched from the Itchen. Advised of Coronavirus regulations and returned to Itchen. Southampton HM informed. Attended Swanwick hard to deter launch of a group of 6 kayakers. Advised of Coronavirus regulations. Initially non-compliant but eventually persuaded not to launch and to find alternative means of 'exercise'. Advised a member of a sailing club that recreational sailing was not allowed in the current situation – compliant. Liaison with Crown Estate mooring contractor.
- 5.64. 10 May. Responded to a call from a member of the public reporting two kayakers in the Upper River. None evident on arrival. Recovered a large branch from the Main Channel off Bursledon.
- 5.65. 11 May. Fielded numerous telephone enquiries on interpretation of the lifting of Coronavirus restrictions.
- 5.66. 12 May. Update to all mooring holders individually, as well as all marinas and yards on the implications of the lifting in travel restrictions. Overwhelming majority grateful for update with many positive replies for clarity. A small number of notes received expressing disagreement with restrictions on travel. Liaison with adjacent HMs to align approach to return to boating. Notices To River Users (NTRU) and emails to mooring holders, marinas and yards issued to reflect change in circumstances.
- 5.67. 13 May. Liaison with numerous river users regarding advice on a return to recreational boating and implications. Checks on moorings for those unable to travel long distances because of overnight restrictions.
- 5.68 14 May. See 13 May.
- 5.69. 15 May. Checks on moorings for those unable to travel long distances because of overnight restrictions. Stopped two small tenders speeding off Hamble – escorted to HM Jetty and verbal warning given. Large number of paddleboarders and kayakers now launching from Swanwick and Warsash following the lifting in restrictions. Advice given on the need not to remain in the Main Channel and keep clear of large craft. Increased number of Jet ski launches witnessed at Warsash. RHHA anecdotally absorbing jet-ski traffic from other harbours with closed slipways. With office remaining closed to visitors, payments being taking over the telephone, giving opportunity to brief on Bye Laws and behaviour.
- 5.70. 16 May. Fielded a number of questions regarding when an overnight visit to boats might be allowed. Liaison with Southern Inshore Fisheries Conservation Authority regarding a number of bait diggers. General good humour as those able to visit their boats expressed thanks. Heavy jet ski traffic at Warsash. Patrol presence in mouth of River to bear down on speeding and groups blocking the channel. Heavy River traffic. Paddle board and kayak launches from Swanwick and Bursledon continuing to be

heavy. Signage commissioned to direct this traffic away from the Main Channel and inshore at Bursledon. Took numerous complaints from larger craft owners on the proliferation of paddle boards. As part of a comprehensive risk assessment, 'simple' signage directing small craft decided upon, including a larger sign ashore, making clear the risks of impeding larger traffic. Notes sent also to marinas, yards and large craft owners about the responsibility of large craft in planning their journeys in the light of heavier traffic density. Paddle boarding and kayaking cannot be 'banned'. Larger craft have responsibilities under the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea which cannot be dismissed.

- 5.71. 17 May. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Continued liaison with numerous river users regarding advice on a return to recreational boating and implications. Checks on moorings for those unable to travel long distances because of overnight restrictions. Fielded further questions regarding when overnight visits to boats might be allowed.
- 5.72. 18 May. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Continued liaison with numerous river users regarding advice on a return to recreational boating and implications. Checks on moorings for those unable to travel long distances because of overnight restrictions. Fielded further questions regarding when overnight visits to boats might be allowed. Boat coding work. Liaison with the Marine Police Unit.
- 5.73. 19 May. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Continued liaison with numerous river users regarding advice on a return to recreational boating and implications. Boat coding work. Intercepted a yacht which had spent overnight away from Hamble contrary to Government guidelines – warned skipper of contravention. Hailed by a vessel which had run out of fuel at Bursledon – taken in tow. Removed a group of 10 youths from Eastlands Boatyard pontoons, having swum from the Western River bank. Stopped and warned a small motor boat for excessive speed and wash in the Upper River.
- 5.74. 20 May. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Continued liaison with numerous river users regarding advice on a return to recreational boating overnight and implications. Checks on moorings for those unable to travel long distances because of overnight restrictions. Fielded further questions regarding when overnight visits to boats might be allowed.
- 5.75. 21 May. Policing paddle board and kayak activity. Continued liaison with numerous river users regarding advice on a return to recreational boating overnight and implications. Checks on moorings for those unable to travel long distances because of overnight restrictions. Fielded further questions regarding when overnight visits to boats might be allowed. Verbal warnings given to numerous motorboats for excessive speed and wash in the mouth of the River.

- 5.76.22 May. As 21 May.
- 5.77.23 May. As 5.75. Patrol officer stationed ashore to advise paddle boarders and small craft users on conduct.
- 5.78.24 May. See 5.75. Took a report of a tender stolen from Hamble Jetty. Tender located later at the Ferry Hard. Reunited with owner. Heavy jet ski traffic. Patrol stationed at the mouth of the River to control speeding vessels. Attended Hamble Jetty to disperse groups of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Liaison with Hedge End Police and the Marine Police Unit.
- 5.79.25 May. See 5.75. Exceptional paddle board and kayak activity in the Upper River in fine weather. Patrol stopped and warned a jet ski speeding off Crableck. Patrol assisted a kayak capsized adjacent to the pontoon at Deacons. Two paddlers recovered. Attended Eastlands Boatyard to disperse a large group of youths which had swum across from the adjacent fields. Liaison with the Jolly Sailor public house regarding paddle boarders using their pontoon. Support to a very large yacht inbound through heavy traffic for maintenance at a River yard. Liaison with a mid-stream mooring holder reporting a theft. Liaison with HM Coast Guard to recover a motorboat with engine failure at the mouth of the River.
- 5.80.26 May. See 5.75. Harbour Assist (new management system) training. Recovered a rusted bicycle and a large branch from the River. Attendance at Hamble Jetty to disperse a large group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Boat coding work.
- 5.81.27 May. See 5.75. Advised an open water swimmer to keep out of the Main Channel near Crableck. Attended Eastlands Boatyard to assist in the dispersal of a large number of swimmers climbing onto pontoons. Attended Hamble Jetty to disperse a large group on youths engaged in anti-social behaviour.
- 5.82.28 May. See 5.75. Advised an open water swimmer to keep out of the Main Channel near Crableck. Attended Eastlands Boatyard to assist in the dispersal of a large number of swimmers climbing onto pontoons. Attended Hamble Jetty to disperse a large group on youths engaged in anti-social behaviour.
- 5.83.29 May. See 5.75. Monitored traffic and jet ski activity at the mouth of the River. Moved on a kayaker fishing from a private mid-stream pontoon. Conducted a search for a small RIB reported speeding near Hamble Jetty. Not located. Attended Hamble Jetty to disperse a large group on youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Escorted a motor vessel with intermittent propulsion issues to her proper berth on the 'G' run. Patrol responded to a call from a member of the public regarding speeding jet-skis in the Upper River. Attended, gave a verbal warning and then escorted the craft to Swanwick for recovery. Patrol intercepted a motor vessel navigating

erratically near Swanwick. Crew appeared to have been drinking but compliant when directed to return to their marina berth. Escorted.

- 5.84.30 May. See 5.75. Very busy in the Upper River with paddle boarders and kayaks. Patrol stopped a large RIB playing excessively loud music bound up River.
- 5.85.31 May. See 5.75. Patrol stopped four jet skiers entering the River at high speed from Calshot. Warned and jet skis returned to Calshot. Patrol stopped and warned a jetskier off Warsash for excess speed and wash. Very receptive. Liaison with HMCG, Calshot and Hamble Lifeboat in relation to the light aircraft which had ditched in the sea off Calshot. 2 casualties brought into Warsash by Hamble Lifeboat for recovery to hospital via ambulance.
- 5.86.01 Jun. See 5.75. Attended Hamble Jetty to disperse a group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Inspected the wreck off Crableck in response to a call from a member of the public reporting a fire. Heavy social media comment. Source of the fire appeared to be material placed within the wreck at low water. Hand-written 'hate' mail received at the Harbour Office levelling blame against the Harbour Authority for the event and threatening action against private moored vessels. Police informed.
- 5.87.02 Jun. See 5.75. Stopped a speeding jet ski at the mouth of the River. Verbal warning given. Gave assistance to two paddle boarders pinned against a pontoon on a strong ebb tide between the bridges. Attended Eastlands boatyard to disperse a large group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour on pontoons, having swum from adjacent farmland. Patrol faced with a hail of verbal abuse and threats from the group, some of whom were known to the Police for previous criminal behaviour. Police in attendance. Patrol assisted 2 young people in a small RIB broken down off Crableck. Towed to Swanwick slipway for recovery. Patrol evicted numerous paddle boarders from private 'U' and 'V' pontoons where they had gathered to sunbathe. Attended Hamble Jetty to disperse another large group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour.
- 5.88.03 Jun. See 5.75. Patrol attended a report of a small diesel fuel spillage at Port Hamble. Light sheen broken up with propeller wash. Patrol responded to a call from a mid-stream mooring holder reporting muddy footprints on deck – no evidence of break in. Other adjacent vessels checked but no further evidence of access discovered.
- 5.89.04 Jun. See 5.75. Patrol craft anti-foul trial inspection.
- 5.90.05 Jun. See 5.75. Boat coding work. Search for and recovery of abandoned tender off Crableck. Recovered a large branch from the Main Channel in the Upper River. Patrol slowed and stopped an outbound motor cruiser (Itchen based) warned verbally for speeding.

- 5.91.06 Jun. See 5.75. Several large branches recovered from the Main Channel.
- 5.92.07 Jun. See 5.75. Liaison with UK Border Force and Southern IFCA regarding a group of cockle pickers on Hamble Spit. Tree pruning work to maintain the channel in the Upper River. Patrol attended Hamble Quay as a 3-year-old boy fell in the water from the Harbour Wall. Father jumped in to recover the boy. Both given first aid (rewarming/blanket) pending arrival of ambulance. Recovered to hospital for treatment for shock.
- 5.93.08 Jun. See 5.75. Patrol boat maintenance work. Liaison with UK Border Force and Southern IFCA regarding a group of cockle pickers on Hamble Spit. Attended and advised a yacht returning to the UK from the Caribbean.
- 5.94.09 Jun. See 5.75. Checked position of a mid-stream moored yacht whose mooring appeared to have dragged a short distance. Crown Estate mooring contractor informed for rectification. Moved on a day-visitor from a private mooring. Patrol boat maintenance work.
- 5.95.10 Jun. See 5.75. Patrol stopped and warned verbally two jet skiers for speed and excessive wash at the mouth of the River. Took a call from a mooring holder claiming to live aboard. Having investigated, this turned out not to be true and individual not only in contravention of Government guidelines but also mooring licence. Owner informed and directed to vacate the vessel.
- 5.96.11 Jun. See 5.75. Inspection of J21/22 piles revealed loose horse rail bolts. Reported to Crown Estate mooring contractor for defect rectification.
- 5.97.12 Jun. See 5.75. Patrol boat anti-foul inspection.
- 5.98.13 Jun. See 5.75. Fielded further questions regarding when overnight visits to boats might be allowed.
- 5.99.14 Jun. See 5.75.
- 5.100.15 Jun. See 5.75. Assisted Sea Start in the movement of a vessel to 'G' pontoon. Gave assistance to a capsized canoeist at the end of Swanwick slipway. Re-secured pick-up buoy on a mooring on the 'H' run. Paddleboard signage work. Attended Eastlands boatyard to disperse another group of swimmers which had crossed from adjacent farmland. Youths throwing material at passing boats. Marine Police Unit in attendance.
- 5.101.16 Jun. See 5.75. Patrol attended a vessel aground on Hamble Spit (skipper error) on a falling tide. Too far aground to be assisted off. No injuries. Liaison with HMCG. Attended Hamble jetty to disperse a group of youths engaged in ant-social behaviour. Patrol assisted a small tender which had run out of fuel back to Swanwick slipway. Patrol responded to a call from a member of the public regarding a speeding jet ski at the mouth of the River. Written warning given following earlier safety briefing. HM

removed three male youths from the Fishermens' Jetty following their verbal assault on the RHHA Administrative Officer. HM threatened with physical violence. Marine Police unit attended and took names – two gave false names and addresses. Correct names discovered by HM and follow-up Police action conducted.

5.102.17 Jun. See 5.75. Boat coding work.

5.103.18 Jun. See 5.75. Responded to several calls from members of the public and River users reporting a collision between a departing yacht and a moored yacht opposite Hamble. No injuries. Underway yacht had driven into the stern of the moored yacht at 6 knots causing extensive damage above the waterline to both vessels. Responsible yacht was under new ownership and bound for Northney Marina. HM direction given to place responsible yacht alongside at Warsash pending investigation. Skipper admitted incident (as he could not fail to do) and cautioned. In excess of £10k damage to impacted yacht. HM required departing yacht to give full details prior to departure and telephoned ahead to Northney to caution the marina of the yacht's arrival between 1730 and 1800 in case of similar inattention.

5.104.19 Jun. See 5.75. Patrol assisted a small dory which had run out of fuel adjacent to Hamble Jetty. Patrol Boat maintenance work. Patrol responded to a call from a member of the public reporting two persons struggling in the mud next to a dinghy on the Pink Ferry hard. Dinghy and persons recovered and warmed. Given advice on the need for a secondary means of propulsion.

5.105.20 Jun. See 5.75. Escorted a tow through busy traffic at the mouth of the River. Patrol attended a yacht with bilge alarms sounding on the 'B' pontoon. Minor ingress evident – owner informed and vessel monitored.

5.106.21 Jun. See 5.75. Responded to a call from a member of the public regarding speeding vessels in the Upper River. None located on attendance. Patrol slowed and warned a speeding jet ski at the mouth of the River. Patrol towed a tender with defective propulsion back from her parent vessel's mooring to Warsash.

5.107.22 Jun. See 5.75. Supported pile replacement of V19. Patrol responded to a call from a River User reporting a speeding jet ski at Swanwick. Verbal warning given. Patrol liaised with Hampshire Marine Police unit regarding a report from a sailing club about two youths who had stolen one of the Club's safety boats in broad daylight. The Club had pursued the thieves out of the River towards Netley where the boat was found abandoned and ultimately recovered to Warsash. Police in attendance.

5.108.23 Jun. See 5.75. Liaison with UK Border Force and Southern IFCA regarding a group of around 12 cockle pickers on Hamble Spit. Support to Royal Navy navigation training. Patrol attended Hamble jetty with Hampshire Police to disperse a large group of youths engaged in anti-social

behaviour. Patrol assisted a laser dinghy with a broken rudder back to Warsash slipway. Monitored a large group of swimmers opposite Eastlands boatyard.

5.109.24 Jun. See 5.75. Slowed and warned a number of motor vessels speeding and creating excessive wash in the mouth of the River. Responded to a call from a RIB reporting a collision between two yachts underway just outside the mouth of the River. No injuries. Owner of one vessel was clearly suffering from shock. Vessel accompanied back to her proper berth on the 'H' run. Responded to a call from a member of the public reporting 'tombstoning' off the A27 bridge. On attendance, a group was identified at Deacon's slip but no jumpers witnessed. Patrol intervened to stop a group of youths ripping out and throwing clumps of saltmarsh into the River above the bridges. Youths departed. Patrol assisted a large yacht with no astern gear alongside the mid-stream Visitors' Pontoon. Patrol attended the 'J' pontoon to disperse a group of young swimmers. Patrol slowed and warned two jet skis entering the River at speed. Patrol attended Hamble Jetty to disperse a group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Patrol the slowed and warned two more jet skis for speeding and excessive wash in the mouth of the River.

5.110.25 Jun. See 5.75. Re-secured two vessels on the Warsash HM Jetty against a strong flood tide. Patrol attended Hamble Jetty to disperse a group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Assisted a mid-stream mooring holder who had run over his pile line. Further attendance at Hamble Jetty, this time with the Police to disperse a large group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Assisted an arriving yacht with headsail furling problem. Slowed and warned a number of speeding RIBs at the mouth of the River. Further attendance at Hamble Jetty to disperse a large group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Police informed of repeat occurrence. Attended the A27 bridge to disperse a group of youths 'tombstoning' from the bridge. Attended the Jolly Sailor Public House jetty following a report of an individual with a cut foot. First Aid administered (in PPE) and individual ferried to the Hard for ambulance treatment. Patrol attended Eastlands boatyard to monitor and disperse a large group of youths swimming across the Main Channel. Police in attendance.

5.111.26 Jun. See 5.75. Attendance at Hamble Jetty to disperse a group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Attended the mid-stream Visitor's Pontoon following a report that an outboard engine had been dropped into deep water. Engine had not leaked – later recovered by diver. Rescued two tired dinghy sailors capsized opposite Hamble Jetty. Attended Hamble Jetty once more to disperse a much larger group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Police informed.

5.112.27 Jun. See 5.75. Responded to calls from members of the public regarding large numbers of smooth hound fish dead on the foreshore at Hamble. This legitimate 'by-catch' had been lost over the side in foul weather by a commercial fisherman who recovered the fish. Fielded

numerous calls about this issue. Liaison with Marine Police Unit in warning several speeding jet skis in the mouth of the River.

- 5.113.28 Jun. See 5.75. Re-secures pile line on a mid-stream moored yacht. Liaison with Hamble Life boat. Strong winds.
- 5.114.29 Jun. See 5.75. Made up pile lines for Crown Estate mooring holder. Attended a vessel moored incorrectly on a private Crown Estate mooring. Mooring holder and owner of incorrectly moored vessel contacted. Removal arranged.
- 5.115.30 Jun. See 5.75.
- 5.116.31 Jun. See 5.75.
- 5.117.01 Jul. See 5.75. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor.
- 5.118.02 Jul. See 5.75.
- 5.119.03 Jul. See 5.75. Attended a yacht aground in Warsash bay (skipper error) on a falling tide in strong onshore winds. Skipper uninjured. Re-floated and towed off at 2100 on the evening tide.
- 5.120.04 Jul. See 5.75. Responded to a call from a member of the public reporting a paddleboarder in difficulty off Brookfield House. On attendance, paddle lost but self-recovering using a hand-held sail. Attended a tender on the mud adjacent to the Chinese Bridge. Responded to a call of a speeding motor vessel in the mouth of the River – owner given a verbal warning. Government restrictions on overnight stays on vessels lifted.
- 5.121.05 Jul. Gave assistance to a couple in a rowing boat struggling against wind and tide in the Upper River. Responded to calls from numerous River Users reporting a speeding motor vessel between Crableck and Swanwick. Attended and apprehended vessel – skipper details taken and official warning given.
- 5.122.06 Jul. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Following an incident involving verbal abuse at the on duty RHHA Administrative Officer, HM attended the Fishermens' Jetty where the same belligerent youths from 16 June were engaged in Fishing. Witnessed by two local fishermen, the HM faced similar verbal abuse and threats before evicting the two. Police called and individuals later visited at home. Both already known to the local Police for theft and violent behaviour. Patrol traced a vessel previously reported for excessive wash near Port Hamble fuel jetty. Contact made with owner and warning given.
- 5.123.07 Jul. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Patrol recovered a drifting pick-up buoy and returned it to its owner. Attached a temporary safety line to replace a parted chain on a mid-

stream pontoon. Owner informed. Patrol assisted a large motor yacht alongside at Warsash. Gave assistance to a broken down club launch.

5.124.08 Jul. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Patrol boat maintenance. Support to club dinghy racing.

5.125.09 Jul. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Patrol boat maintenance. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit.

5.126.10 Jul. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Patrol boat maintenance. Patrol advised two private fishermen against mooring to RHHA navigation buoy. Patrol chased and stopped three jet skis at speed from Warsash to Hook Spit. Written warnings given for speeding and contravention of Bye Law 5 (safe navigation). Patrol directed two vessels to weigh anchor adjacent to Swanwick. Light audit.

5.127.11 Jul. Inclement weather. Light traffic. Liaison with the Police regarding the theft of an outboard motor. Patrol responded to a report of an ongoing break in to a yacht off Hamble. On attendance, Patrol witnessed an individual tampering with the vessel. On approach, the man claimed to be working on the boat for a friend. Patrol did not believe the man and called for police assistance. Hedge End Police attended with the assistance of Patrol and the man was arrested on suspicion of theft. A false address was given. The individual was later identified and is the subject of ongoing prosecution.

5.128.12 Jul. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Attended a visiting Belgian yacht aground on Hamble Spit (skipper error). 2 persons on board, no injuries. Yacht pulled clear with the assistance of passing Southampton Patrol vessel. Patrol stationed in the mouth of the River to bear down on speeding jet ski behaviour. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit. Patrol attended Hamble Jetty to disperse a large group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour.

5.129.13 Jul. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Attended Hamble Jetty to assess requirement for anti-climb paint following HM/EBC/HPC/Police meeting. Patrol boat maintenance. Liaison with HMCG regarding a broken down jet ski within the Solent. No further action.

5.130.14 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor.

5.131.15 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Marina liaison work.

- 5.132.16 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Patrol boat maintenance. Water supply compliance work with Southern Water and HCC.
- 5.133.17 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. At 2130, witnessed three jet skis pass the Harbour Office at speeds in excess of 30 knots. Hampshire Marine Police Unit (under their Operation WAVEBREAKER) were at the mouth of the River, having stopped a non-compliant speeding motor boat. Marine Unit gave chase and stopped three jet skis near the Itchen Bridge who were attempting to abscond. Following numerous speeding incidents and given the gravity of this offence, it is intended that these will be pursued for prosecution.
- 5.134.18 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Gave assistance to a yacht with propulsion failure on the 'H' run. Stopped and advised a small RIB towing a kayak which was bouncing off moored vessel on the 'H' run. Patrol approached by a large motor vessel complaining of small craft activity at Swanwick. Patrol advised the skipper of RHHA efforts to educate paddle boarders/kayakers and guide them out of the Main Channel and also, when pressed, questioned the skipper on his own interpretation of IRPCS Rules 2, 5, 6 and 8. Skipper unable to answer and unclear as to his own responsibilities, despite hubris. Patrol responded to a call from a River User regarding a collision between a motor vessel underway in the Main Channel and a mid-stream moored yacht alongside her proper mooring. Slight scuffing witnessed on well-found yacht – owner informed and details exchanged. Underway skipper clearly at fault. Support to Hamble Life boat in recovery of motor vessel which had taken on water outside the Hamble. Vessel recovered to Warsash.
- 5.135.19 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Patrol assisted a yacht which had lost her propeller alongside the Warsash scrubbing piles for defect rectification. Patrol responded to a call from a member of the public reporting that she thought she had broken an ankle while in the mud opposite and upstream from the RHCP Jetty. Patrol made best speed to assist. On arrival patrol administered First Aid in PPE, fitting a splint and, on agreement with the victim and her husband conveyed both back to Swanwick car park, from which they self-reported to A and E. patrol rescued two persons from the water near the Railway Bridge after their tender took on water. Patrol boat maintenance work. Liaison with Southampton Patrol to recover a small motor boat just outside the River.
- 5.136.20 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Drinking water compliance work at Warsash. Towed a yacht from the 'B' pontoon to her proper mooring. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor.

Attended the A27 Bridge to deter swimmers and jumpers from the bridge. Patrol gave assistance to a motor vessel with propulsion issues.

- 5.137.21 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Exchanged No 5 Beacon light. Patrol stopped and warned three jet skis leaving the River at speed, despite guidance given on launch. Two were contrite but one was not, resulting in a formal written warning being given. Patrol recorded a report of a break-in to a vessel on the 'HP' run. During early evening and while conducting jetty maintenance at Warsash patrol witnessed a large motor vessel apparently out of control on the Eastleigh side of the River collide with a number of moored yachts. A passing RIB was attempting to slow the motor vessel down. Patrol deployed at best speed to bring the vessel (with control failure) under control and return her to her marina for assessment and defect rectification on a strong ebb.
- 5.138.22 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Patrol witnessed a visiting motor vessel occupying a Crown Estate private mooring for lunch. Advised the skipper that the mooring was private and that other Visitors' moorings were available at the mouth of the River. The skipper and his wife both deployed a volley of abuse at patrol, which was recorded on our incident form. The vessel was traced to a yacht club in Wales and the owner identified and invited to contact the Harbour Master via the Club Secretary. He did so and was effusively contrite. No further action taken. HM attended Hamble Jetty with Police officers from Eastleigh, Fareham (for local continuity) and the Marine Unit to disperse a very large group of youths engaged in ant-social behaviour and criminal activity. A group had been attempting to steal the River Taxi from her mooring and also steal a tender from the jetty. Names were taken by the police in case follow-up action necessary. Later, a further call was taken at the Harbour office when the police had departed of repeat offences. HM attended and evicted the perpetrators, making a further report to the police.
- 5.139.23 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Patrol assisted a yacht which had become foul on a neighbour's picking-up rope. Patrol recovered a Warsash based tender from the Pink Ferry hard and returned her to her owner. Patrol assisted a yacht to her mooring on the 'E' run.
- 5.140.24 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Patrol attended Hamble Jetty once more to disperse a group containing familiar faces engaged in anti-social behaviour. Patrol directed a vessel anchored at Mercury bend to weigh. Patrol moved on a vessel occupying a private Crown Estate mooring to the Visitors' Pontoon. Patrol stopped and warned a motorboat towing an inflatable rubber ring with children in it upstream. Skipper warned verbally. Compliant.

- 5.141.25 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream.
- 5.142.26 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Patrol moved on a visiting RIB using a private Crown Estate mooring. In the course of departure, one of the crew fell overboard but was recovered without incident. Patrol stopped and warned verbally a jet ski in the mouth of the River for speeding and creating excessive wash. Compliant.
- 5.143.27 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Fitted new pile lines at the request of a Crown Estate mooring holder.
- 5.144.28 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Supported a piling contractor in the lifting and re-driving of Pile V19. Fitted new pile lines at the request of a Crown Estate mooring holder.
- 5.145.29 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Attended a vessel whose downstream mooring chain had parted. Patrol liaison with the Crown Mooring contractor to move the vessel pending defect rectification. Pumped out an inundated tender at Warsash Jetty. Attended a Marina near the A27 bridge and moved on a number of swimmers climbing on private pontoons. Assisted a yacht with a foul propeller returning to the River. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police unit regarding jumpers from the A27 bridge.
- 5.146.30 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit which had stopped a speeding jet ski in the mouth of the River. Evidence passed to HM for action. Written warning issued to an individual from Southampton. Patrol attended Hamble Jetty once more to disperse another large group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Responded to a report of swimmers in the Main Channel off Hamble. On attendance, swimmers were unmarked and advised to make their way ashore. Compliant. Patrol attended Eastland boatyard to disperse a group of 6 swimmers diving in and off private pontoons. Patrol assisted a tender, broken down, back to Hamble Quay. Patrol attended Hamble Jetty again, this time with the police to disperse a large group of youths engaged in pot smoking, alcohol consumption and other anti-social behaviour. Patrol attended a vessel with an alarm – no evidence of damage or issues – owner contacted.
- 5.147.31 Jul. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Patrol attended Hamble Jetty to disperse another group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Patrol attended Eastlands boatyard to disperse a group of youths engaged in anti-social behaviour. Non-compliant/abusive. Police informed. Patrol returned to Hamble Jetty to disperse the same (and others)

group of youths still engaged in anti-social behaviour. Youths drinking spirit alcohol and smoking pot openly at benches on Hamble foreshore. Police informed.

- 5.148. 01 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Assisted a yacht with propulsion failure to her berth. Stopped a departing jet ski for excessive speed and wash. Fishermens' Jetty cleared of crabbers and private fishermen. Patrol stopped and warned a motor vessel for speeding and dangerous navigation at the mouth of the River. Official warning given because of the impact on other traffic.
- 5.149. 02 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Warsash HM Jetty painting (yellow hatching). Re-furled a flogging headsail on a mid-stream moored vessel. Liaison with HM Border Force and Southern IFCA regarding a group of in excess of 20 cockle pickers on Hamble Spit.
- 5.150. 03 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit regarding the theft of a jet ski from a marina. Recovered an inflatable tender, believed to have been used in association with the theft to the Harbour Office for forensic checks. Marina search to identify a motor vessel reported as having created excessive wash and damage to a tender in the Main Channel near the 'H' run. Took a report from a mooring holder of a collision involving a yacht underway and a moored yacht. Investigation indicated a failure to navigate responsibly and keep a proper look out. Official warning given and support ongoing to an insurance claim and repair.
- 5.151. 04 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Maintenance work on No 5 Light. Patrol Boat maintenance work. Patrol assisted a paddle boarder in distress from Swanwick to a marina. Light audit.
- 5.152. 05 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Removed a tyre swing from the M27 motorway bridge. Re-united stolen tender with its owner. Liaison with Police regarding two stolen outboard engines located under an inverted tender ashore at Land's End. Stopped and warned a jet ski for speeding off Warsash. Stopped and warned a speeding RIB off Warsash.
- 5.153. 06 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Slipway clearance at Warsash. Patrol dispersed swimmers at Bursledon reported to be jumping from the A27 bridge. Patrol responded to calls from members of the public reporting swimmers on various marina pontoons at Bursledon and North of the M27 bridge. Further patrol response to disperse jumpers from

the A27 bridge. Patrol attended Hamble Jetty to disperse swimmers who were swimming to the adjacent yacht club pontoons.

- 5.154. 07 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Attended Hamble Jetty to disperse a large group of abusive swimmers who were also climbing on adjacent yacht club pontoons. Liaison with a marina regarding an apparently abandoned Rigid Inflatable Boat. Patrol towed a small motor boat with propulsion failure from the Upper River to a boatyard for defect rectification. Attended the M27 motorway bridge to disperse a number of jumpers. Towed a small motor boat with propulsion failure to its parent yacht club. Responded to a call from a member of the public reporting a swimmer with an injury North of the M27 bridge. Attended but swimmer had self-recovered to an adjacent boatyard and had been collected by parents for treatment. Attended Hamble Jetty following a report from a member of the public of anti-social behaviour. On arrival, over 30 youths present. Verbally abusive to patrol and police called. Police attended, names taken and dispersed.
- 5.155. 08 Aug. Attended Hamble Jetty to apply anti-climb paint to the upper area of the bridge in order to discourage jumpers. Signage refreshed. Towed a small tender which had run out of fuel from Mercury bend to the fuel berth. Patrol gave assistance to a paddle boarder who had lost a paddle off Swanwick Hard. Patrol called to Hamble Jetty to disperse a group of swimmers. Returned at numerous times throughout the afternoon to do similarly. Removed a group of youths from adjacent yacht club pontoons. Patrol towed a small motor vessel with engine failure to Warsash HM Jetty for defect rectification. Intercepted and warned a speeding jet ski off Warsash. Patrol attended Hamble Jetty in response to a report of theft of a tender. On attendance, youths had stolen Hamble Life Boat's tender from their mooring. Police called, tender recovered and returned to the mooring. Police attendance to disperse a group engaged in anti-social behaviour (drugs/under-age drinking, verbal abuse/threatening behaviour) on Hamble Quay. Later removed a group of 8 youths who had returned to the jetty following the earlier police incident. Attended the A27 Bridge to disperse a group of 7 young people, jumping from the bridge. Non-compliant. Reported to the Police who were unable to attend. Further attendance at Hamble Jetty to disperse swimmers.
- 5.156. 09 Aug. Attended the A27 bridge to disperse a further group of jumpers. Attended Hamble Jetty to disperse large groups of swimmers repeatedly throughout the day. Slowed and verbally warned a number of speeding jet skiers in the mouth of the River. Removed a number of swimmers from the Main Channel off Hamble. Reminded a number of members of the public of the private nature of the Fishermen's Jetty at Warsash.
- 5.157. 10 Aug. Attended the 'U' run to remove rubbish left by paddle boarders and kayakers using private pontoons as swimming and sun bathing platforms. This has become a routine activity. Attended Hamble Jetty with new Hamble beat Police Officer to explain the nature of the Hamble

incidents. Attended Hamble Jetty later. Jetty crowded with belligerent youths engaged in criminal damage of a tender. Captured on body worn camera while waiting for police attendance. Complete disregard for Patrol Officer advice and direction and verbal abuse directed at staff. 3 members of the group deliberately dived in front of the Patrol Boat on its slow final approach to the jetty necessitating evasive action. Youths strongly warned regarding this action but strong abuse given in return. Police called via 101 and raised to 999 in view of the sustained threatening nature of the behaviour which included one teenage male attempt to climb onto the patrol craft. Simultaneous call from a boatyard near the A27 bridge to attend and disperse a further group jumping into the Main Channel from the A27 Bridge. Police updated. DHM deployed in a second patrol boat to Hamble Jetty. Hampshire Marine Police Unit in attendance. Despite Police and HM presence, youths continued to attempt to access the pontoon. Expressions of appreciation from mothers with children and Hamble Life Boat regarding the efforts of Harbour Authority staff as the sole consistent authority to stand up to the persistent bad behaviour at Hamble Quay. During police attendance, one individual swam to and embarked in the Life Boat on the versa dock. Removed by the Marine Police Unit. With Police still present a group of youths swam to and climbed onto adjacent yacht club property. Told to leave by the Police, they refused and goaded the police with verbal abuse and swam back to Hamble Quay.

5.158. 11 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Support given to a visiting Belgian yacht. Attended Hamble Jetty in response to a call from a member of the public reporting aggressive behaviour. Advised to call the police over the telephone initially. On arrival a group of around 15 youths was jumping from the bridge, swimming to adjacent yacht club pontoons, climbing on private moored vessels and in front of the approaching Pink Ferry. Robust measures to deter and disperse on this occasion effective. Attended the 'U' and 'V' runs to find groups on privately owned pontoons sun bathing and drinking alcohol. When informed that these were private pontoons, the groups all became highly verbally abusive and refused to leave. Called to Hamble Jetty once more to disperse a larger group of youths swimming across the Main Channel. Remained in attendance until the Group had swum ashore. Responded to call from a boatyard at Bursledon and returned up River to disperse jumpers from the A27 Bridge who were jumping close to legitimate River traffic. Stopped a small tender speeding and creating excessive wash off Swanwick. The skipper complained that the Harbour Authority should not be policing activity such as his. Verbal warning given and details taken to collect Harbour Dues in respect of his 15hp craft. Stopped a Rigid Inflatable Boat towing a swimmer off Bursledon. Attended River Hamble Country Park Jetty but recalled to the A27 Bridge where two jumpers, previously hiding from police and patrol officers had re-commenced jumping. Youths present on the slipway on arrival with parents in attendance in a kayak. Separate witnesses reported parents encouraging the males to jump. All denied this and became abusive to Patrol Officers. Information shared with Marine Police

Unit along with body worn camera evidence. Returned to 'U' and 'V' runs to attempt to disperse sunbathers and swimmers. On this occasion compliant and rubbish removed. Responded to a call from a member of the public reporting a small group of youths jumping from Warsash College main life boat gantry. Hampshire Marine Police Unit already in attendance. Patrol stopped and warned two jet skis and a Rigid Inflatable Boat for speeding in the mouth of the River.

- 5.159. 12 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Responded to a call from a member of the public reporting two 'stranded' cockle pickers on Hamble Spit. Attended. Two persons able to walk ashore along spit under supervision. Liaison with River Hamble Country Park Rangers regarding a report of a fire ashore near the RHCP Jetty. Rangers in attendance and barbecue fire extinguished. Attended 'V' pontoons to remove trespassing sunbathers. Compliant. Attended Hamble Jetty to disperse a group of swimmers. Attended the Main Channel between the boatyard and West bank to disperse a group of youths blocking the channel and demanding 'passwords' before letting vessel through. Group compliant when asked to move. Patrol cleared a group of around 10 young people swimming between a sailing club pontoon and the Fishermens' Jetty. Patrol then responded to a call reporting further jumpers from the A27 bridge.
- 5.160. 13 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Liaison with UK Border Force. Liaison with Hamble Life Boat and the Police regarding an aggressive and threatening individual who had locked himself in the Life Boat toilets.
- 5.161. 14 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Attended Hamble Jetty to disperse a small group of swimmers. Compliant. Liaison with a mooring holder regarding the theft of a tender. Responded to a report of a jet ski creating excessive wash in Warsash pool. Attended and re-briefed three jet ski riders who were very apologetic.
- 5.162. 15 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream.
- 5.163. 16 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Liaison with UK Border Force. Towed a yacht with propulsion failure from Mercury bend to her proper berth for defect rectification.
- 5.164. 17 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Joint meeting with the Police at the HM Office to discuss effectiveness of action at Hamble. Tow of a yacht from her berth and return.

- 5.165. 18 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Attended a lone private diver on a Crown Estate mooring and advised of safety requirements. Checked pile V19 following replacement.
- 5.166. 19 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Office yard rubbish clearance.
- 5.167. 20 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Responded to a call from a sailing club reporting swimmers from their mid-stream pontoon. Attended and very polite swimmers dispersed.
- 5.168. 21 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Strong winds. Re-secured a flogging sail on a mid-stream moored yacht. Owner informed. Secured a loose halyard on a mid-stream moored yacht. Owner informed. Replaced a number of fenders on moored yachts. Re-secured a second flogging headsail on a mid-stream moored yacht. Owner informed. Adjustment of a number of mooring lines to match weather conditions. Cold moved a visiting French yacht, exposed to the wind and swell.
- 5.169. 22 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Patrol recovered a mooring buoy displaced by the strong winds. Follow up action to replace. Assisted a motor boat with propulsions failure alongside for defect rectification.
- 5.170. 23 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Fitted new pile and safety lines for a mid-stream mooring holder.
- 5.171. 24 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Attended a mid-stream moored yacht which appeared low in the water. Pumped out and source traced to a leaking gland. Rate of ingress low but monitored and owner informed. Vessel moved ashore later for defect rectification. Preparations for high winds forecast for 25 Aug.
- 5.172. 25 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. High winds. Light traffic. Various attendances to re-position fenders and resecure lines. Refurled a loose foresail on a mid-stream moored yacht. Attended a yacht on a sailing club mooring with a parted stern line. Yacht re-secured.
- 5.173. 26 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor.
- 5.174. 27 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Liaison with HM Coast Guard regarding a motor vessel with an engine defect returning to the River.

- 5.175. 28 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Gave advice to two rafted yachts on the mid-stream visitors' pontoon. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor.
- 5.176. 29 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Liaison with a mid-stream mooring holder reporting a Rigid Inflatable Boat speeding between Crableck and Swanwick. RIB located and skipper re-briefed. First Aid equipment checks.
- 5.177. 30 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Attended a mid-stream moored yacht with parted pile lines. Temporary repair effected and owner informed. Attended a motor boat at anchor at the mouth of the River with engine failure. Towed to a yard for defect rectification.
- 5.178. 31 Aug. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream.
- 5.179. 01 Sep. Patrol conducted mooring and pontoon checks. Policing paddle board and kayak activity at Swanwick/Bursledon and upstream. Boat coding work.

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An EIA is not required as no negative impacts are anticipated.

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Committee:	River Hamble Harbour Board
Date:	25 September 2020
Title:	Environmental Update
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Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is to summarise activities relating to the River Hamble Harbour Authority's (RHHA) environmental management of the Hamble Estuary between March and mid-August 2020.

Recommendation

2. It is recommended that the River Hamble Harbour Board notes and supports the contents of this report.

Updates

Solent and Dorset Coast Special Protection Area (SPA):

3. The Solent and Dorset Coast SPA has now been classified and it includes the Hamble Estuary. It aims to protect the internationally important populations of terns (common tern, sandwich tern & little tern) that feed around the South Coast. It applies during the months April to September and covers the area that the terns use for foraging, which is by 'plunge diving' into the water. The existing Solent SPA designated sites cover where the terns breed and also cover where other bird species breed and forage on the intertidal areas. The landward boundary of this new SPA is at mean low water where it abuts the Solent and Southampton Water SPA site (i.e. within the Hamble this is Bunny Meadows, Lincegrove & Hacketts Marsh, Upper Hamble). Elsewhere, the landward boundary is mean high water. This adds to the high level of environmental protection afforded to bird populations in the Hamble Estuary.

Harbour Office - sea wall repair:

4. The sea wall around the harbour office, constructed in 1900, requires repair. RHHA Environment & Development Manager is working with Hampshire County

Council colleagues and WSP consultants on an appropriate design, on applications for consents and on preparing tender documents for construction. The work will be conducted in two phases. Hampshire County Council central funding has now been made available for phase 1 of the works. The estimated pre-tender budget is likely to be in the order of £60k for this first phase. Subject to consents, phase 1 repair (from the slipway seaward to the harbour office steps) should take place in Spring 2021. Phase 2 (office steps to Lobster Quay) is aimed to take place in 2 or 3 year's time subject to budget. The planned repair will be a new concrete facing and coping. The small encroachment onto foreshore will require environmental mitigation. This is proposed to be in the form of an 'eco-textured' concrete surface with ecological enhancement 'features' (ledges and water-retaining holes) in some tidal sections of the wall to increase biodiversity value. Bournemouth University has expertise in this field and is assisting with design work, and wishes monitor results to further our collective understanding of how biodiversity can be improved on harbour walls and structures. As a maintenance project, this will not be formally put before the Management Committee and Harbour Board for determination. Formal applications will, however, be submitted to the Marine Management Organisation, Fareham Borough Council and the Environment Agency.

Sea Wall research project:

5. Further to item 6(ii) in the Environment Update report of January 2020, Bournemouth University will be using a section of the harbour office sea wall to attach artificial rockpools, 'Vertipools', as part of a European Interreg fully funded project taking place around the English Channel researching how biodiversity can be improved on harbour walls and structures. These will be installed in Autumn 2020 on the section of sea wall running from the pontoon access bridge north, and has agreement from Warsash Sailing Club to include its Lobster Quay wall also. The pools will be in place for at least 2 years, and it is proposed that they are reinstated after phase 2 of the harbour office wall repair to increase the wall's biodiversity value. With the UK planning legislation set to change, whereby future planning applications will require developers to produce a 'net gain' in biodiversity, along with increasing pressure to create enhancements within maintenance projects as well, this is a good opportunity for RHHa to support research into improving the biodiversity value of coastal assets.

Bird-friendly pile cap success:

6. To prevent the loss of a known nest site for oyster catchers on top of a mid-stream mooring pile, a bespoke pile cap was designed and fitted in March 2020 when the timber pile was replaced with a steel pile. This was funded by The Crown Estate. Instead of installing a standard conical cap, the pile cap was designed to a dish shape then filled with beach gravel. Within weeks, oyster catchers nested here. Improved future drainage design is under discussion with the manufacturers, but the intention is to use more of these to add biodiversity value to harbour structures. There has been much interest from regulatory authorities, other harbours and the boating community.



Maintenance Work:

7. Pile replacement of end-of-life piles at Port Hamble Marina has been approved, programmed to take place October to December 2020.

Solent Oyster Restoration Project:

8. RHHA continues to support the work of the Blue Marine Foundation. Its project team is preparing licence submissions for the next phase, which will include the laying of cultch (a layer of shells and local gravels) on a subtidal area of sea bed, followed by seeding this with oysters from its own Portsmouth hatchery, ideally this winter.

Saltmarsh Restoration Research:

9. RHHA is working with the Environment Agency and Portsmouth University to support a new PhD project to take place on the Hamble. It will involve the placement and monitoring of temporary biodegradable structures (potato starch grids) within the intertidal and subtidal edges of some of the Hamble's saltmarshes. The research will monitor the ability of these grids to trap sediment, create new marsh habitat that may prevent saltmarsh erosion, promote saltmarsh regrowth, and provide a surface for native oysters and other species to settle on. The project is currently going through licencing, with an aim to commence from autumn 2020 till 2023.

Fisheries & shellfisheries:

10. RHHA has been undertaking frequent liaison with the Southern Inshore Fisheries & Conservation Authority, marine police, commercial fishermen, recreational anglers and Southampton Port Health Authority regarding the legalities of various reported fishing practices within the river. In addition, a large-scale cockle picking operation, uncovered just outside the Hamble in June, is under investigation by The Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority.

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Committee:	River Hamble Harbour Board
Date:	25 September 2020
Title:	River Hamble Final Accounts 2019/20
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Purpose of this Report

1. The primary purpose of this report is to present the final accounts of the Harbour Authority for the year ended 31 March 2020 to the River Hamble Harbour Board for consideration. The report also presents an early view of the forecast position for the current financial year.

Recommendations

2. That this report, the statutory accounts and management accounts be approved by River Hamble Harbour Board.
3. That the Board notes that as at 31 March 2020 the General Reserve has a £189 balance, but this is expected to increase to £17,189 at the end of 2020/21.
4. That the Board approves a £35,000 increase to the 2020/21 Harbour Dues income budget, to reflect the newly introduced dry launching charges and in accordance with the principle agreed by the Board at the meeting of 10 January 2020, with the expected surplus from the additional income being added to the Revenue Reserve.

Executive Summary

5. Under the Harbours Act 1964, the River Hamble Harbour Authority is required to prepare an annual statement of accounts relating to the harbour activities in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. However, these accounts are considered to be exempt from the requirement to be separately audited.
6. The statutory accounts for the year ended 31 March show a net loss of £76,111, as detailed in Appendix 1. This is after a depreciation charge of £35,080 and net expenditure on projects that have been funded from reserves totalling £64,099.
7. This report also presents the end of year management accounts, comparing the final outturn position for income and expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2020 against the 2019/20 budget (detailed in Appendices 2 and 3).
8. The management accounts show that the Harbour Undertaking returned a net surplus of £19,019 on general revenue activities. After the agreed £35,000 contribution to the Asset Replacement Reserve, this becomes a net deficit of £15,981, which has been met from the General Reserve.
9. The outturn position is slightly more favourable than both the original budget and the forecast presented as part of the 2019/20 Budget Report to the Board in January 2020, which predicted net deficits of £17,000 and £19,000 respectively, after the agreed contribution to the ARR of £35,000.
10. The change since the last report to the Board is largely the result of increased income - in particular, harbour dues and visitor income, partially offset by higher than anticipated pay costs.
11. The remaining balance held in the General Reserve as at 31 March 2020. The reserves policy states that the General Reserve should hold annual surpluses totalling not more than 10% of the gross revenue budget, which currently equates to approximately £59,000. There is no minimum balance set out in the policy.
12. This report also considers an early outturn position for the year ended 31 March 2021 in the context of the changes agreed to certain charges by the Board in January, and also the Covid-19 pandemic.
13. The increases to charges are expected to generate additional income of £35,000 per annum, and it is recommended that the income budgets be increased by this amount. The impact of Covid-19 on the financial position is currently anticipated to be relatively small, with a reduction in visitor income being the main impact to date, but concerns remain over the longer term impact.

Contextual Information - Statutory Accounts

14. Under Section 42(1) of the Harbours Act 1964, the River Hamble Harbour Authority is required to prepare an annual statement of accounts relating to the harbour activities in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. Section 42(5) of the Harbours Act 1964 states that the published accounts should be sent to the Secretary of State for Transport, together with a report on the “state of affairs” disclosed by the accounts, within nine months of the financial year end.
15. Using guidance issued by the Department for Transport, the River Hamble Harbour Authority is considered to be exempt from the requirement to audit the statutory accounts under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006. However, the Harbour Authority accounts form part of the overall Hampshire County Council accounts and therefore will be included within the audit of those accounts.
16. The statutory accounts, as detailed in Appendix 1, show a loss for the year of £76,111. This is after a net charge to the accounts relating to depreciation on the assets held of £35,080, and one-off planned expenditure on projects of £64,099 that has been funded from reserves.

2019/20 Outturn

17. The revised budget projected a surplus on standard revenue activities of £18,000, before the agreed £35,000 contribution to the Asset Replacement Reserve (ARR), with a net deficit of £17,000 therefore expected.
18. At the Committee meeting on 6 December 2019 and Board meeting on 10 January 2020, it was reported that the projected surplus was expected to be £2,000 lower than the revised budget.
19. The final outturn position, as presented in Appendix 2, is a surplus of £19,019 on standard revenue activities, £1,019 higher than the revised budget. The surplus will be used to part fund the agreed £35,000 annual contribution to the ARR, with the remaining £15,981 being met from the General Reserve.

Income

20. Total income for 2019/20 in the management accounts was £627,632, exceeding both the revised budget of £612,000 and the forecast presented to the Board in January of £618,000. This is following the approval of proposed changes to charges by the Board at the meetings on 15 November 2019 and 10 January 2020.

21. Additional income of £8,658 has been received for Harbour Dues in respect of newly introduced charges for dry launching, relating to the period January 2020 to March 2020, with the full year benefit being realised from 2020/21 onwards.
22. Visitor income was £5,515 higher than budgeted and £3,515 higher than previously forecast. A contributing factor being the recently introduced increases to visitor and launching fees, which had previously remained unchanged since 2006.

Expenditure

23. Total revenue expenditure in the management accounts was £608,613 which was higher than both the revised budget of £594,000 and the forecast of £602,000 that was presented to the Board in January.
24. The additional expenditure of £14,613 against the budget was predominantly £10,150 on staff related costs mainly due to increased overtime costs, due to a vacant seasonal post being covered by higher graded staff members working additional hours. Although these were partly offset by lower than expected training costs. In addition, rent and rates were £2,644 higher than budgeted (as highlighted in the previous forecast, reflecting the reducing transactional relief for business rates following the revaluation in 2017).
25. A more detailed breakdown of the income and expenditure is set out in the tables contained in Appendices 2 and 3 and the Notes to Appendices 2 and 3.

2020/21 Revised Budget

26. At the meeting on 10 January 2020, the Board approved the forward budget for the 2020/21 financial year. The approved budget allowed for a surplus on general revenue activities of £52,000, which would enable the full £35,000 contribution to the ARR to be made and increase the balance against the General Reserve from £189 to £17,189.
27. In the separate Income Adjustment Options paper taken to the 10 January 2020 meeting, the Board approved that changes to various charges covering a flat rate annual charge for dry dock launches, mooring rates for permanently moored fishing vessels at Warsash, and increases to daily launching charges and visitors' rates, be incorporated within the income budgets for the 2020/21 financial year.
28. It is therefore proposed that the Harbour Dues budget be increased by £35,000 to £541,000 as shown in Appendix 6. Other smaller changes will be incorporated during the preparation of the 2021/22 budget, when more information is available on the actual impact of these changes.

29. This will increase the budgeted surplus to £87,000, which after the contribution to the Asset Replacement Reserve would increase the expected balance in the Revenue Reserve to £52,000. At the Board meeting of 10 January 2020 it was noted that any additional income generated as a result of the new increases to charges could be added to the Asset Enhancement Reserve to take advantage of future opportunities. However, given the relatively low value in the Revenue Reserve, it is recommended that the expected surplus due to this additional income is added to the Revenue Reserve this financial year to restore the balance to a reasonable level.

2020/21 Forecast Outturn

30. Given that the 2020/21 budget was based on the forecast position for the 2019/20 financial year as at the end of September 2019, a review of the 2020/21 budget has been undertaken in comparison with the final accounts for 2019/20, as well as an early view of the 2020/21 position as at the end of June 2020. This is considered particularly important in view of the extraordinary circumstances relating to Covid-19.

31. The forward budget for expenditure was set at £585,000, and the forecast position is currently expected to be on budget.

32. Actual expenditure incurred in 2019/20 was £608,613, but this included £24,800 for past service pension costs. Following the triennial actuarial pension valuation this payment will not be required in 2020/21.

33. Charges from Legal and Democratic Services are based on actual hours worked and, whilst currently forecast to budget, it should be noted that these charges depend on the level of work required and can increase significantly should a particular legal issue arise. Finance charges have also been reviewed and are considered to be a fair reflection of the time undertaken on the Harbour Authority's affairs.

34. It should also be noted that the forward budget includes an additional £15,000 on the staffing budget to cover expected increases to staff costs for the inflationary pay award as well as increased employer pension costs following the actuarial valuation of the pension fund. The inflationary pay award was estimated at 2%, however this has not yet been agreed, and currently 2.75% has been offered. The staffing budget may also be impacted by higher than usual overtime costs as a result of Covid-19, should staff become ill or need to self-isolate, requiring their work to be covered by other members of the team.

35. The provision of office space is not currently recharged to the River Hamble Harbour Authority but has been assessed by Hampshire County Council's surveyors as having a value of approximately £7,500 per annum. Discussions have previously been held as to whether such costs incurred by the County Council in supporting the Harbour Authority should in future be charged, and if this were to change, this would create an additional pressure.

36. The income budget for 2020/21 was set at £637,000, with actual income generated in 2019/20 of £627,632. For 2020/21 the full year benefit of the 5% increase to Harbour Dues will be realised.
37. Since the budget was agreed charges for dry launching have been introduced with income over a full financial year expected to be around £35,000. Therefore, an increase to the 2020/21 Harbour Dues income budget for the same amount is recommended.
38. The financial impact of Covid-19 to date has been a reduction in visitor income, which is currently forecast as a shortfall of £7,000 this year.
39. Therefore, overall the position for this financial year is currently looking positive with the increased income from the changes to charges. However, the impact of Covid-19 remains an unknown quantity. Furthermore, as highlighted in the previous report, the past pension contribution charges (which are not payable this year) could potentially be reintroduced following the next actuarial valuation in three years time, and this could now be considered far more likely given the adverse impact of Covid-19 on the economic climate.

Reserves

40. The Harbour Board approved a reserves policy on 18 May 2007 which provided for the following three reserves:
 - Asset Enhancement Reserve (AER) – £320,000 for a programme of future opportunities.
 - Asset Replacement Reserve (ARR) – to replace all Harbour Authority Assets and provide maintenance dredges over a 25-year cycle. Annual contribution of £43,000, later reduced to £35,000, to be received from revenue.
 - Revenue Reserve (RR, also known as the General Reserve) – to hold annual surpluses totalling no more than 10% of the gross revenue budget (for 2019/20 this equates to approximately £59,000). Any excess to be transferred to the AER, returned to mooring holders or to fund one-off revenue budget pressures as approved by the Board
41. The total reserves for the River Hamble were £542,180 at 31 March 2020, a decrease of £42,531 on the position at the end of 2018/19. The reserves are detailed in Appendix 4.
42. The majority of the £16,170 balance in the Revenue Reserve was used to meet the shortfall between the revenue surplus of £19,019 and the £35,000 transfer to the Asset Replacement Reserve, leaving a balance of £189 at the end of 2019/20.

43. £417 was drawn from the Asset Enhancement Reserve for the contribution towards Bursledon Regatta.
44. A net amount of £30,182 was drawn from the Asset Replacement Reserve, being the planned annual transfer of £35,000 less £65,182 to fund asset replacement costs and projects. The spend is broken down as follows:
- Purchase of tidal gauges - £1,500
 - Boat engine maintenance - £2,275
 - Hamble jetty maintenance - £3,900
 - Purchase and implementation of the new Harbour Assist system - £45,500
 - Harbour Office works - £12,007
45. In 2019/20, interest of £5,004 was received on the reserves balances and income received in advance for annual Harbour Dues. Interest was paid at the agreed rate of 0.72% on all reserve balances.
46. There is £189 held on the Revenue Reserve as at 31 March 2020. It is expected that £17,000 will be added to the reserve in 2020/21 from the surplus on standard revenue activities (after the agreed £35,000 transfer to the ARR) in 2020/21. As highlighted earlier in the report, additional revenue income totalling £35,000 is now expected in relation to dry launching and, once factored in, increases the proposed budgeted revenue surplus to £52,189. However, it should be noted that this is prior to factoring in the financial impact of Covid-19, particularly the loss of visitor income during lockdown. Current estimates are a loss of approximately £7,000 in 2020/21.
47. The reserves policy states that the Revenue Reserve should hold annual surpluses not totalling more than 10% of the gross revenue budget, which currently equates to approximately £59,000. The balance is currently zero however it is anticipated to increase during 2020/21, as has been outlined above.

Conclusion

48. The report highlights the final position for the 2019/20 financial year, which is less favourable than the budgeted position, and slightly less favourable than the forecast position presented in December 2019.

49. The report also highlights the pressures on the revenue budget in 2019/20 and subsequently the diminished balance within the General Reserve. The outlook for 2020/21 is more positive due to the agreed changes to charges, but will be impacted by reduced visitor income due to Covid-19.

REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

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

This report is in accordance with the budget strategy and the County Council's financial management policy. This policy applies equally to all services and ensures consistent financial management decisions across all services. Equality objectives are not considered to be adversely affected by the proposals in this report.

River Hamble Harbour Authority

Report of the Board and unaudited financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2020



River Hamble Harbour Authority
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for the period ended 31 March 2020

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River Hamble Harbour Authority

Report of the Board for the year ended 31 March 2020

Hampshire County Council is the statutory Harbour Authority for the River Hamble Harbour. Responsibility for the governance of the River Hamble was transferred to Hampshire County Council in 1970 and the harbour has operated as a municipal port ever since.

Section 42 of the Harbours Act 1964, as amended by paragraph 10 of Schedule 6 to the Transport Act 1981, requires every statutory Harbour Authority to prepare an annual statement of accounts for the harbour activities in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, for submission to the Secretary of State for Transport.

All harbour undertakings carried out by Hampshire County Council are part of the County Council's service provision to residents, and there is no separate legal entity in place to which the provisions apply. As such these accounts have been prepared for the River Hamble Harbour Authority in a style which is consistent with the reporting requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Hampshire County Council delegates its executive decision making function to the River Hamble Harbour Board. The County Council and the representatives on the Harbour Board form a democratically accountable body responsible for overseeing the operation of the harbour and the impacts from it. The following members served on the Harbour Board during the year:

- Hampshire County Council:
 - Councillor Keith Evans (Chairman)
 - Councillor Keith House
 - Councillor Peter Latham
- Independent Board Members:
 - David Jobson (Recreation)
 - Chris Moody (Marine Industry)
 - Nikki Hiorns (Environment)
- Marine Director:
 - Jason Scott (Harbour Master)

In addition, the River Hamble Management Committee (constituted in accordance with the River Hamble Harbour Revision Order 1969, as subsequently amended) provides policy advice to the Harbour Board and is responsible for scrutinising the Harbour Board's decisions. The Management Committee is comprised nineteen members: ten County Councillors (one of whom acts as the Committee Chairman),

three District Council Councillors (one from Eastleigh, one from Fareham and one from Winchester) and representatives from each of the following interested parties: Associated British Ports; Association of River Hamble Yacht Clubs; British Marine Federation; Hamble River Boatyard and Marine Operators Association; the Berth and Mooring Holders; and the Royal Yachting Association.

Principal Activities:

The principal activities of the Harbour Authority during the period under review were the management of moorings, pontoons and associated harbour facilities, and ensuring the safe and efficient operation of the River Hamble Harbour.

Political and Charitable donations:

No charitable donations were made during the year (2019/20 £nil).

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A *Small Entities* and in keeping with the requirements of Section 42 of the Harbours Act 1964.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 25 September 2020 and signed on its behalf by Councillor Keith Evans.

River Hamble Harbour Authority

Harbour Master's report for the year ended 31 March 2020

Last year's steps to safeguard income streams were prudent and have been effective. This year's report must however be influenced by the impact of Coronavirus the last few weeks of the period under report and on what that may mean for the Harbour Authority for next year and beyond.

With increasing expenditure and reduced income, steps were required last year to increase income. It will be seen from future reports that both measures taken, the increase of 5% in Harbour Dues and the proper collection of Dues on dry-launched vessels, are now delivering a secure platform upon which to assure the delivery of our mandatory Marine Safety Management System.

The stronger platform we are developing means that the annual draw on the General or Revenue Reserve in the year to 1 March 2020 to subsidise our important contribution to our Asset Replacement Reserve, servicing our vital operational infrastructure, has stopped. It will become obvious that our steps will re-build the General Reserve to a healthier credit level. On the face of things, this would indicate that we are in a position to relax on any immediate requirement to increase Harbour Dues further. I will develop this. Before I do, I would like to advertise the economical and sensible steps we have taken over the past year to put in some much-needed work into Command and Control at the Harbour Office. This building is the hub of our operational capability. Designed in the mid 1970s, it is in a first-class position to exercise our functions. It is however exposed to the weather and modern fire and health and safety requirements demanded improvements. With Hampshire County Council assistance and the organic skills of our team in the Office, the building has received the refurbishment it has needed. Investment in new windows and doors means that it is secure and dry. New technology in the form of closed-circuit television provides added security and reassurance to those berthed on our jetty. Television briefing aids provide modern situational awareness for the management of disruptive challenges such as oil spills. Much of our work to modernise the building has been conducted in-house by our patrol teams who are very skilled at Do-It-Yourself. All this has delivered a much-improved command centre at very low cost to the River User which will last.

Returning to what this set of Annual Accounts means, I will now talk about the impact of Coronavirus and how it has and may affect us over the coming year or two. In straying deliberately from this report for 2020, I will use these accurate accounts which are a strong tool with which to plan. The impact of Coronavirus on our budget over the current year will be harder to gauge. Good weather at Easter would normally have brought with it visitors' income which has been lost. We know that our

income levels from visitors is currently £7,000 less than at the same time last year but also that the rate of income is greater. This could mean that, barring the imposition of further restrictions on recreational boating, this stream will be close to the level budgeted. Any further restrictions will have a negative impact. In the event that we complete the year with a £7,000 shortfall on visitors' income, the General Reserve is predicted to stand at a healthier £17,189, made in one year. Secondly, it will be recognised as prudent to consider the effect on pension funds of the Coronavirus outbreak over the next two years given the Bank of England's current assessment of the economic downturn of 9% over the current financial year (06 Aug). It would seem sensible to be prepared for the requirement to make or offset additional contributions in a proportionate and gentle manner now, rather than to be confronted by a requirement for another larger than desirable increase in the future. It is important too to recognise the impact on businesses and private individuals, all of whom have been impacted upon by recent events. Any increase recommended must also take this into consideration. Last year, the Harbour Board noted that smaller annual increases in Harbour Dues were preferable to larger one-off increases at intervals. With that in mind and with uncertainties remaining present, the intellectual basis for a small increase will be sound.

Jason Scott

Marine Director and Harbour Master River Hamble Harbour Authority

Accountant's report
for the year ended 31 March 2020

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and comprise the Income Statement, the Statement of Financial Position and related notes.

The River Hamble Harbour Authority meets the small company criteria contained in section 382 of the Companies Act 2006.

Under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, a company that qualifies as a small company is exempt from the requirements of the Act relating to the audit of accounts for that year. These accounts are therefore presented unaudited.

The financial transactions, assets and liabilities of the River Hamble Harbour Authority are also included within the statutory accounts of Hampshire County Council. These are presented in accordance with the Accounts & Audit Regulations 2015 and are published at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/aboutthecouncil/budgetspendingandperformance/accounts>

Signed:

Date:

Anne Hibbert
Corporate Accounting Manager

River Hamble Harbour Authority

**Income and Expenditure statement
for the year ended 31 March 2020**

	Notes	2019/20 £	2018/19 £
Turnover	2	545,818	532,663
Other operating income	3	85,863	81,464
		<u>631,681</u>	<u>614,127</u>
Staff costs	4		
Salaries		356,225	344,636
National Insurance		33,453	32,536
Pension Contributions		78,036	71,227
Other employee expenses		3,436	5,795
Staff Advertising / Interview Expenses		0	0
		<u>471,150</u>	<u>454,194</u>
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible and intangible fixed assets	11	35,080	38,984
Other operating charges			
Rent/Rates/Leases	5	26,484	32,754
Utilities		3,976	3,420
Other Premises Costs		3,819	2,177
Boats - Repairs & Expenses	6	11,313	9,944
Staff Travel		970	1,132
Insurance		1,600	1,690
Office Expenses	7	24,033	26,986
Environmental Maintenance	8	2,375	4,012
Public Jetties & Navigational Safety		6,541	5,812
Services provided by Hampshire County Council	9	42,288	38,465
Other Services (including Designated Person)		9,570	9,570
Oil Spill Response		4,364	4,290
CCTV		130	130
Projects funded by Reserves	10	64,099	12,663
		<u>201,562</u>	<u>153,045</u>
Profit/(loss) for the financial year	14	<u>(76,111)</u>	<u>(32,095)</u>

River Hamble Harbour Authority

Statement of Financial Position
as at 31 March 2020

	Notes	2019/20		2018/19	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	11		344,730		378,310
Current assets					
Debtors	12	34,624		29,265	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>917,490</u>		<u>931,855</u>	
		952,114		961,120	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year					
	13	409,934		376,409	
Net current assets					
			<u>542,180</u>		<u>584,711</u>
Total assets less current liabilities					
			886,910		963,021
Net assets					
			<u>886,910</u>		<u>963,021</u>
Reserves					
Profit and loss account	14		<u>886,910</u>		<u>963,021</u>
			<u>886,910</u>		<u>963,021</u>

For the year ended 31 March 2020 the River Hamble Harbour Authority was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

No notice has been received in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 that requires the River Hamble Harbour Authority to obtain an audit.

The Board acknowledges its responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for preparing accounts which give a

true and fair view of the state of affairs of the River Hamble Harbour and of the profit or loss for the financial year.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A *Small Entities*.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Harbour Board and signed on its behalf by

_____ on _____
Councillor Keith Evans
Chairman of the Board

The notes on pages 11 to 16 form an integral part of these financial statements.

River Hamble Harbour Authority

Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2020

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A *Small Entities*.

1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents the total value, excluding value added tax, of sales made during the year and derives from the provision of goods and services falling within the River Hamble Harbour Authority's ordinary activities.

1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, on a straight line basis. A full year of depreciation is applied in the year of purchase.

2 Turnover

The total turnover for the year has been derived from the River Hamble Harbour Authority's principal activity, wholly undertaken in the UK.

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Marinas and Boatyards	390,278	379,485
River Moorings	97,496	100,140
Jetty Charges	19,571	21,803
Mooring and Towing Charges	9,529	9,019
Commercial and Pleasure craft	13,036	5,779
Total Harbour Dues	<u>529,910</u>	<u>516,226</u>
Visitors	15,908	16,437
Total turnover	<u><u>545,818</u></u>	<u><u>532,663</u></u>

3 Other operating income

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Crown Estate Management Fee	67,240	68,300
Miscellaneous Income	12,777	7,543
Interest	5,004	4,625
Other Funding	842	996
Total other operating income	<u>85,863</u>	<u>81,464</u>

4 Employees

	2019/20	2018/19
Staff numbers	12	12

5 Rent Rates Leases

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Rent - Oil Spill Response Equipment Unit	4,055	3,903
Rent - Crown Estates	4,840	13,171
Rent - Warsash Jetty	1,829	1,829
Rent - Visitors Pontoon	1,829	1,829
Rent - Hamble Jetty	1,829	1,829
Rent - Fishermans Pontoon	1,829	1,829
Rent - Harbour Master's Office	0	(5)
Business Rates - River Hamble Harbour	10,273	8,369
	<u>26,484</u>	<u>32,754</u>

6 Boat repairs & expenses

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Repair, Maintenance and Boat Refurbishment	5,126	3,825
Vehicle Running Expenses (Fuel)	4,417	3,877
Tools (including Chandlery)	1,770	2,242
	<u>11,313</u>	<u>9,944</u>

7 Office expenses

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Equipment	966	1,013
First Aid Supplies/Health & Safety	140	715
Printing & Stationery	1,985	4,719
Catering/General	1,459	1,221
Retail (Crabbing Equipment)	505	693
Room Hire	250	415
Protective Clothing and Safety Equipment	2,715	3,557
IT Charges	6,620	2,479
Postage	489	1,220
Subscriptions	1,650	1,685
Promotional Events/Publicity/Publications	2,910	4,817
Credit Card Charges (re Income Collection)	4,344	4,452
	<u>24,033</u>	<u>26,986</u>

8 Environmental Maintenance

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Waste Collection	1,106	837
Clearance of Warsash Slipway	395	3,175
Miscellaneous Environmental Maintenance Expenditure	874	0
	<u>2,375</u>	<u>4,012</u>

9 Services provided by Hampshire County Council

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Accountancy	21,600	21,600
Transaction processing	2,488	2,488
Tax/cash management	200	200
Internal audit	3,410	3,410
Legal Services	4,024	2,812
Democratic Services	9,632	7,050
	<u>41,354</u>	<u>37,560</u>
Contribution to Solent Forum	934	905
	<u>42,288</u>	<u>38,465</u>

No separate charge is currently levied for the following:

- Rent and general repair costs associated with the Harbour Office
- Access to and use of the County Council's IT infrastructure and systems
- Insurance, apart from a nominal premium of £1,600 relating to the Patrol Boats

10 Projects funded by Reserves

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Boat engines	2,275	
Bursledon Regatta	417	
Hamble Jetty	3,900	3,840
Harbour Assist system	45,500	
Harbour Office Works	12,007	
River signage		865
Decking		1,675
Warsash Jetty		4,116
Boat engine sale		(833)
River Hamble Games		3,000
	64,099	12,663
	64,099	12,663

11 Tangible fixed assets

	Marks, Beacons, Lights, Piles, Buoys	Bridges, Walkways, Jetties	Boats	Other	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 1 April 2019	180,068	678,725	62,500	127,744	1,049,037
Additions	1,500	0	0	0	1,500
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 March 2020	181,568	678,725	62,500	127,744	1,050,537
Depreciation					
At 1 April 2019	134,551	390,713	36,166	109,297	670,727
Charge for the year	4,024	21,149	6,833	3,074	35,080
On disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 March 2020	138,575	411,862	42,999	112,371	705,807
Net book values					
At 31 March 2020	42,993	266,863	19,501	15,373	344,730
At 31 March 2019	45,517	288,013	26,334	18,447	378,310

12 Debtors

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Trade debtors	28,357	27,765
Prepayments and accrued income	6,267	1,500
	<u>34,624</u>	<u>29,265</u>

No debtor amounts fall due after more than one year

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Trade creditors	11,560	6,886
Accruals and deferred income	398,374	369,523
	<u>409,934</u>	<u>376,409</u>

No creditor amounts fall due after more than one year

14 Profit and Loss Account

	Total
	£
At 1 April 2019	963,021
Transfers to/(from) Profit and Loss account	<u>(76,111)</u>
At 31 March 2020	<u>886,910</u>

15 Movement in reserves

	Cash backed Reserves					
	General Reserve £	Asset Enhancement £	Asset Replacement £	Total cash backed Reserves £	Asset backed Reserves £	Tot Reser £
As at 1 April 2019	16,170	67,225	501,316	584,711	378,310	963,021
Movement:						
2019/20 deficit	(76,111)	0	0	(76,111)	0	(76,111)
Transfers:						
Asset additions	0	0	(1,500)	(1,500)	1,500	
Depreciation	35,080	0	0	35,080	(35,080)	
Asset contribution	(35,000)	0	35,000	0	0	
Projects	64,099	(417)	(63,682)	0	0	
Interest	(4,049)	486	3,563	0	0	
Total movement	<u>(15,981)</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>(26,619)</u>	<u>(42,531)</u>	<u>(33,580)</u>	<u>(76,111)</u>
As at 31 March 2020	<u>189</u>	<u>67,294</u>	<u>474,697</u>	<u>542,180</u>	<u>344,730</u>	<u>886,910</u>

16 Reserves Policy

The Harbour Board approved a reserves policy on 18 May 2007 which provided for the following three reserves:

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- Asset Replacement Reserve (ARR) – to replace all Harbour Authority Assets and provide maintenance dredges over a 25-year cycle. Annual contribution of £43,000, later reduced to £35,000, to be received from revenue.
- Revenue Reserve (RR, also known as the General Reserve) – to hold annual surpluses totalling no more than 10% of the gross revenue budget (for 2019/20 this equates to approximately £59,000). Any excess to be transferred to the AER, returned to mooring holders or to fund one-off revenue budget pressures as approved by the Board

The reserves policy is kept under continuous review, to ensure the reserves continue to be at the level the River Hamble needs to operate effectively in accordance with its aims, needs and objectives taking into account potential risks and contingencies that may arise from time to time, and in the context of a separate risk management policy.

The Board review the level of Harbour Dues annually in the context of the Revenue Reserve balance and expected income and expenditure, increasing, freezing or reducing the rates as required to maintain an appropriate balance in the Revenue Reserve.

The Board also annually reviews the fixed asset register to ensure that the contribution to the Asset Replacement Reserve is appropriate to meet all anticipated expenditure on the replacement or maintenance of assets, revising the contribution when necessary.

The Asset Enhancement Reserve is used for exceptional, non-essential expenditure to enhance the enjoyment of the River Hamble for river users, and funds are therefore transferred into this reserve from time to time as funds allow.

River Hamble Harbour Authority Management Accounts	2019/20			
	Revised Budget	P6 Forecast Outturn	Year End Actuals	Variance to Budget
	£	£	£	£
EXPENDITURE				
Staff Related				
Salaries	430,000	430,000	442,914	12,914
Past Pension Contributions	25,000	25,000	24,800	(200)
Training	5,000	9,000	1,575	(3,425)
Professional Subscriptions	1,000	2,000	1,861	861
Sub-Total Staff Related	461,000	466,000	471,150	10,150
Premises				
Rent / Rates	19,000	22,000	21,644	2,644
Electricity	2,000	2,000	1,950	(50)
Gas	1,000	1,000	1,007	7
Water / Sewerage	1,000	1,000	1,019	19
Repair & Maintenance (including Health & Safety Modifications)	1,000	1,000	2,761	1,761
Service Charges	-	-	325	325
Burglar Alarms / Security	1,000	1,000	733	(267)
Sub-Total Premises	25,000	28,000	29,439	4,439
Transport				
Repair, Maintenance & Boat Refurbishment	3,000	2,000	5,126	2,126
Vehicle Running Expenses (Fuel)	3,000	3,000	4,417	1,417
Tools (including Chandlery)	2,000	2,000	1,770	(230)
Car Allowances / Staff Travel	1,000	1,000	970	(30)
Insurance	2,000	2,000	1,600	(400)
Sub-Total Transport	11,000	10,000	13,883	2,883
Supplies & Services				
Office Expenses	25,000	25,000	24,033	(967)
Environmental Maintenance	5,000	5,000	3,309	(1,691)
Public Jetties & Navigational Safety	6,000	7,000	6,541	541
Central Department Charges	42,000	42,000	41,354	(646)
Designated Person	9,000	10,000	9,570	570
Oil Spill Response	5,000	4,000	4,364	(636)
CCTV	-	-	130	130
Crown Estate Settlement	5,000	5,000	4,840	(160)
Sub-Total Supplies & Services	97,000	98,000	94,141	(2,859)

River Hamble Harbour Authority Management Accounts	2019/20			
	Revised Budget	P6 Forecast Outturn	Year End Actuals	Variance to Budget
	£	£	£	£
GROSS EXPENDITURE	594,000	602,000	608,613	14,613
INCOME				
Harbour Dues	(483,000)	(481,000)	(487,774)	(4,774)
Crown Estate Funding	(67,000)	(67,000)	(67,240)	(240)
Visitor Income	(43,000)	(45,000)	(48,515)	(5,515)
Miscellaneous Income	(9,000)	(14,000)	(12,777)	(3,777)
Towing Charges	(7,000)	(9,000)	(9,529)	(2,529)
Other Funding	(2,000)	(1,000)	(842)	1,158
Interest	(1,000)	(1,000)	(955)	45
GROSS INCOME	(612,000)	(618,000)	(627,632)	(15,632)
NET REVENUE FUNDED EXPENDITURE	(18,000)	(16,000)	(19,019)	(1,019)
Contribution to Asset Replacement Reserve	35,000	35,000	35,000	-
NET DEFICIT FUNDED FROM GENERAL RESERVE	17,000	19,000	15,981	(1,019)
INCOME / EXPENDITURE ON RESERVES				
Projects Funded by Reserves				
Asset Enhancement	50,000	1,000	417	(49,583)
Asset Replacement	28,000	36,000	63,682	35,682
Asset Replacement - Addition	-	-	1,500	1,500
Revenue Reserve	-	-	-	-
Expenditure from Reserves	78,000	37,000	65,599	(12,401)
Interest on Reserves				

River Hamble Harbour Authority Management Accounts	2019/20			
	Revised Budget	P6 Forecast Outturn	Year End Actuals	Variance to Budget
	£	£	£	£
Asset Enhancement Interest	-	-	(486)	(486)
Asset Replacement Interest	(2,000)	(3,000)	(3,563)	(1,563)
Income on Reserves	(2,000)	(3,000)	(4,049)	(2,049)
NET RESERVES FUNDED EXPENDITURE	76,000	34,000	61,550	(14,450)
TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE	58,000	18,000	42,531	(15,469)
RESERVES				
Contribution to Asset Replacement Reserves	35,000	35,000	35,000	-
Transfer To / (From) Revenue Reserve	(16,000)	(16,000)	(15,981)	19
Transfer To / (From) Asset Enhancement Reserve	(1,000)	(3,000)	-	1,000
	18,000	16,000	19,019	1,019
Transfer Interest to Reserves	2,000	3,000	4,049	2,049
Transfers from Reserves - Projects	(78,000)	(37,000)	(65,599)	12,401
Total Transfers To / (From) Reserves	(76,000)	(34,000)	(61,550)	14,450
TOTAL TRANSFERS TO / (FROM) RESERVES	(58,000)	(18,000)	(42,531)	15,469

River Hamble Harbour Authority				
Further detail on Harbour Dues, Visitors Income, Office Expenses and Central Department Charges				
	2019/20			
	Revised Budget	P6 Forecast Outturn	Actuals	Variance to Budget
	£	£	£	£
Harbour Dues Income				
Marinas and Boatyards	(385,000)	(385,000)	(381,620)	3,380
Marinas and Boatyards - Dry Launching	-	-	(8,658)	(8,658)
River Moorings	(98,000)	(96,000)	(97,496)	504
Total Harbour Dues Income	(483,000)	(481,000)	(487,774)	(4,774)
Visitor Income				
Mid Stream Visitors Pontoon	(20,000)	(17,000)	(15,908)	4,092
Warsash Jetty	(13,000)	(18,000)	(17,137)	(4,137)
Hamble Jetty	(2,000)	(3,000)	(2,434)	(434)
Commercial and Pleasure Craft Income	(8,000)	(7,000)	(13,036)	(5,036)
Total Visitor Income	(43,000)	(45,000)	(48,515)	(5,515)
Office Expenses				
Equipment	1,000	1,000	966	(34)
First Aid Supplies / Health & Safety	1,000	1,000	140	(860)
Printing & Stationery	3,000	3,000	1,985	(1,015)
Catering / General	1,000	1,000	1,459	459
Room Hire	-	-	250	250
Protective Clothing and Safety Equipment	3,000	3,000	2,715	(285)
IT Charges	5,000	5,000	6,620	1,620
Postage	2,000	1,000	489	(1,511)
Subscriptions	2,000	2,000	1,650	(350)
Promotional Events / Publicity /Publications	3,000	3,000	2,910	(90)
Retail (Crabbing Equipment)	1,000	1,000	505	(495)
Credit Card Charges (re Income Collection)	3,000	4,000	4,344	1,344
Total Office Expenses	25,000	25,000	24,033	(967)

River Hamble Harbour Authority				
Further detail on Harbour Dues, Visitors Income, Office Expenses and Central Department Charges				
	2019/20			
	Revised Budget	P6 Forecast Outturn	Actuals	Variance to Budget
	£	£	£	£
Central Department Charges				
Operational Finance	22,000	22,000	21,600	(400)
Integrated Business Centre – Transactions, Cash Management & Payroll	3,000	3,000	2,688	(312)
Audit Services	3,000	3,000	3,410	410
Democratic Services (Including Venue Costs)	9,000	9,000	9,632	632
Legal Services	5,000	5,000	4,024	(976)
Total Central Department Charges	42,000	42,000	41,354	(646)

Notes to Appendices 2 and 3

The details of significant variations are as follows:

1. Staff related expenditure was £10,150 higher than budgeted, mainly due to additional overtime costs. These were due to a vacant seasonal post being covered by higher graded staff members working additional hours.
2. Premises costs were £4,439 higher than budgeted, primarily due to increased business rates which reflected the reducing transactional relief following the revaluation in 2017.
3. Transport related expenditure was £2,883 higher than budgeted, mainly due to higher than budgeted repairs and maintenance costs, resulting from unbudgeted spend on engine control mechanisms, and also fuel costs.
4. Supplies and Services expenditure was £2,859 lower than budgeted. This was primarily due to lower than budgeted spend of £1,691 on Environmental Maintenance, due to slipway clearances only being carried out when absolutely necessary, and an overall underspend of £967 on the various types of office related expenses.
5. Central Department Charges

The basis for the central department charges is as follows:

- Operational Finance - £21,600 based on an assessment of the time devoted to the River Hamble. This is reviewed regularly.
- Corporate Resources central charges – based on volumes and reviewed regularly. A more detailed breakdown of these services is listed below:
 - Integrated Business Centre (IBC) £2,488
 - Tax/Cash Management £200
 - Audit Services £3,410
 - £6,098
- The charge for Audit Services is an SLA to cover audit requirements, both for specific site visits to the River Hamble and to cover systems and processes used by the River Hamble, such as payroll and IT systems
- Legal Services and Democratic Services – these charges are based on actual hours worked multiplied by an hourly rate which has been benchmarked to ensure best value. £4,024 was incurred for legal advice, with the balance of £9,632 for Democratic and Member Services support, which also included venue costs for Committee and Board meetings.

The following costs are not currently borne by the Harbour Office:

- Notional rent and general repair costs associated with the Harbour Office
 - Access to and use of the County Council's Information Technology infrastructure and systems
 - Insurance, apart from a nominal fee relating to the Patrol Boats
6. Total income for 2019/20 was £627,632, £15,632 above the budget of £612,000.
 7. £8,658 was received in respect of the newly introduced Harbour Dues Dry Launching Charges income, for the period January to March.
 8. Most other areas of income saw overachievements against the budgeted amounts, in particular visitor income which benefited from an increase to charges during the year.

River Hamble Harbour Authority – Reserves 2019 – 2021

	General (Revenue) Reserve	Asset Enhancement Reserve	Asset Replacement Reserve	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£
Balance as at 31 March 2019	16,170	67,225	501,316	584,711
Transfer to ARR from Revenue	(35,000)	0	35,000	0
Bursledon Regatta 2019	0	(417)	0	(417)
Asset Replacement – Tidal Gauges, Harbour Assist system, Harbour Office works, boat engine maintenance and pontoon welding	0	0	(65,182)	(65,182)
Annual Interest Receivable	0	486	3,563	4,049
Net Surplus for the year	19,019	0	0	19,019
Balance at 31 March 2020	189	67,294	474,697	542,180
Transfer to ARR from Revenue	(35,000)	0	35,000	0
Transfer to AER from Revenue	0	0	0	0
Potential Projects	0	(25,000)	0	(25,000)
River Hamble Games	0	(3,000)	0	(3,000)
Asset Replacement	0	0	(18,000)	(18,000)
Annual Interest Receivable	0	0	3,000	3,000
Net Surplus for the year	52,000	0	0	52,000
Anticipated Balance at 31 March 2021	17,189	39,294	494,697	551,180

Interest is generated on general reserves and is included in the net transfer to / (from) general revenue reserves

Reconciliation of profit and loss to deficit generated on general revenue activities

	2019/20
	£
Profit/(loss) for the financial year from Income Statement	(76,111)
Add back:	
Depreciation Charge for Year	35,080
Projects funded from reserves	64,099
Less:	
Interest on AER and ARR	(4,049)
Agreed transfer to ARR	(35,000)
Net deficit funded from General Reserve	<u><u>(15,981)</u></u>

River Hamble Harbour Authority Management Accounts	2020/21				
	Original Budget	Adjustm 'ents	Revised Budget	Q1 Forecast Outturn	Outturn Forecast Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
EXPENDITURE					
Staff Related					
Salaries	445	-	445	445	-
Past Pension Contributions	-	-	-	-	-
Training	5	-	5	5	-
Professional Subscriptions	2	-	2	2	-
Sub-Total Staff Related	452	-	452	452	-
Premises					
Rent / Rates	25	-	25	25	-
Electricity	2	-	2	2	-
Gas	1	-	1	1	-
Water / Sewerage	1	-	1	1	-
Repair & Maintenance	1	-	1	1	-
Burglar Alarms / Security	1	-	1	1	-
Sub-Total Premises	31	-	31	31	-
Transport					
Repair, Maintenance and Boat Refurbishment	3	-	3	3	-
Vehicle Running Expenses (Fuel)	3	-	3	3	-
Tools (including Chandlery)	2	-	2	2	-
Car Allowances / Staff Travel	1	-	1	1	-
Insurance	2	-	2	2	-
Sub-Total Transport	11	-	11	11	-
Supplies & Services					
Office Expenses	24	-	24	24	-
Environmental Maintenance	5	-	5	5	-
Public Jetties & Navigational Safety	1	-	1	1	-
Central Department Charges	42	-	42	42	-
Designated Person	10	-	10	10	-
Oil Spill Response	4	-	4	4	-
Crown Estate Settlement	5	-	5	5	-
Sub-Total Supplies & Services	91	-	91	91	-

	2020/21 Original Budget	Adjustm 'ents	2020/21 Revised Budget	2020/21 P3 Forecast Outturn	2020/21 Outturn Forecast Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
GROSS EXPENDITURE	585	-	585	585	-
INCOME					
Harbour Dues	(506)	(35)	(541)	(541)	-
Crown Estate Funding	(69)	-	(69)	(69)	-
Visitor Income	(45)	-	(45)	(38)	7
Miscellaneous Income	(6)	-	(6)	(6)	-
Towing Charges	(9)	-	(9)	(9)	-
Other Funding	(1)	-	(1)	(1)	-
Interest	(1)	-	(1)	(1)	-
GROSS INCOME	(637)	(35)	(672)	(665)	7
NET REVENUE FUNDED EXPENDITURE	(52)	(35)	(87)	(80)	7
INCOME / EXPENDITURE ON RESERVES					
Projects Funded by Reserves					
Asset Enhancement Projects	28	-	28	28	-
Asset Replacement Projects	18	-	18	18	-
Revenue Reserve Projects	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditure from Reserves	46	-	46	46	-
Interest on Reserves					
Asset Enhancement Interest	-	-	-	-	-
Asset Replacement Interest	(3)	-	(3)	(3)	-
Income on Reserves	(3)	-	(3)	(3)	-
NET RESERVES FUNDED EXPENDITURE	43	-	43	43	-
TOTAL NET EXPENDITURE	(9)	(35)	(44)	(37)	7

	2020/21 Original Budget	Adjustm 'ents	2020/21 Revised Budget	2020/21 P3 Forecast Outturn	2020/21 Outturn Forecast Variance
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
RESERVES					
Contribution to Asset Replacement Reserves	35	-	35	35	-
Transfer To / (From) Revenue Reserves	17	35	52	45	(7)
Transfer To / (From) Asset Enhancement Reserves	-	-	-	-	-
	52	35	87	80	(7)
Transfer Interest to Reserves	3	-	3	3	-
Transfers from Reserves - Projects	(46)	-	(46)	(46)	-
	(43)	-	(43)	(43)	-
TOTAL TRANSFERS TO / (FROM) RESERVES	9	35	44	37	(7)

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Committee:	River Hamble Harbour Board
Date:	25 September 2020
Title:	Review of Harbour Dues
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is to analyse the financial position of the River Hamble Harbour Undertaking in order to make a recommendation on any change in Harbour Dues that may be necessary.

Recommendation

2. That the River Hamble Harbour Board recommends the approval of an increase in Harbour Dues of 2% for 2020.

Executive Summary

3. This paper recommends the rate for Harbour Dues for 2020/21, based on an analysis of our Asset Review of 2020 and our Annual Statutory Accounts, already presented at this meeting. Its recommendation provides for the long-term maintenance of our appropriate risk-based Marine Safety Management System, as well as other expected services. It takes into account predicted income and expenditure over the next two years and acknowledges the impact of effective steps taken last year to cease our unsustainable draw on the General Reserve to supplement the £35000 annual contribution to the Asset Replacement Reserve.
4. Last year's increase in Harbour Dues of 5% was approved in the context of static income levels and increasing costs, principally in terms of salaries and pension on costs over the preceding five years. This increase and the additional income brought about by charging correctly for dry launches has placed the Harbour Authority in an improved and sustainable financial position. The Revenue Reserve, which had diminished to a negligible amount

is forecast at the end of this year to grow to around £17000. Board policy is that this reserve should be no less than 10% of gross income, or around £60000. It is recommended that prudence should dictate that the level of this Reserve, while healthier, should be stronger. Current uncertainties brought about by the impact on both income and expenditure of the Coronavirus outbreak must also be considered, as must this year's 2.75% pay award and any future additional actuarial pension contributions that may be required in two years' time.

Context

4. Two papers must be taken into account when deciding on Harbour Dues figures this year. Our Asset Review work was presented in March but has not yet been seen by the Harbour Board. It is acknowledged that mapping of our financial asset replacement rates with precision will always be an inexact science. However, the Board decision to make use of the Asset Replacement Reserve, accumulated as it is for asset replacement, sensibly and on a consistent basis, continues to relieve some of the pressure on our Revenue budget. Our Annual Accounts show how last year's steps to increase income have performed. They show that we have benefitted from the 5% increase in Harbour Dues, additional income from dry launches and a cessation (possibly temporary) in the requirement to make additional actuarial pensions contributions. Figures also make clear a loss in visitors' income caused by a necessary cessation in recreational boating activity to help manage the Coronavirus outbreak. Annual visitors' income was budgeted to be in the order of £45000. By the end of July, cumulative income was £10900. Last year, by the same time, we had accumulated £18000. This shortfall is to be expected in the light of Coronavirus restrictions but what is more encouraging is that this year's income has been earned over a 10-week period. In the event that further restrictions are not imposed, and this rate of income sustained, it is possible that the potential shortfall may be made smaller. Equally, any further restrictions imposed will have a negative effect. It is this uncertainty and that brought about by future additional pension-related expenditure which must be managed.
5. Expenditure continues to be minimised through the prudent use of in-house expertise and employment of small local businesses in line with HCC policy. Much needed refurbishment work has been conducted economically by staff to bring the Harbour Office up to date, both in terms of safety requirements and in order to take advantage of technology for operational reasons. Employment of local contractors for small engineering and practical tasks within HCC policies have delivered small but regular savings. These steps continue to minimise the requirement for increases in Harbour Dues.
6. Last year's steps have placed the Harbour Authority in a stronger financial position. The ongoing impact of Coronavirus on our budget is difficult to gauge. We know that our income levels from visitors is currently £7000 less

than last year but also that the rate of income is greater. This could mean that, barring the imposition of further restrictions on recreational boating, this stream will be close to the level budgeted. Any further restrictions will have a negative impact. In the event that we complete the year with a £7000 shortfall on visitors' income, the General Reserve is predicted to stand at a healthier £17000, made in one year. Secondly and importantly, it will be recognised as prudent to consider the effect on pension funds of the Coronavirus outbreak over the next two years given the Bank of England's current assessment of the economic downturn of 9% over the current financial year (06 Aug). It would seem sensible to be prepared for the high risk of a requirement to make or offset additional contributions in a proportionate and gentle manner now, rather than to be confronted by the need for another larger than desirable increase in the future. It is important too to recognise the impact on businesses and private individuals, all of whom have been impacted upon by recent events. Any increase recommended must take this aspect into consideration. Last year, the Harbour Board noted that smaller annual increases of around 1.5% in Harbour Dues were preferable to larger one-off increases at intervals. With that in mind and with uncertainties remaining present, the intellectual basis for a small increase is sound. It is recommended that an increase of 2% (£10000 benefit) is approved to safeguard the steps made last year for security of operational delivery, take account of variable and fixed factors such as the 2.75% pay award (representing £15000 per annum) and recognise the impact on commercial and private customers.

REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	Yes
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	Yes
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People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	Yes

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

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

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- Equalities Impact Assessment:

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

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

Decision Maker:	River Hamble Harbour Board
Date:	25 September 2020
Title:	Forward Plan for Future Meetings
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services

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Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is to set out the key issues which it is anticipated will appear on the River Hamble Harbour Management Committee and Harbour Board agendas in the forthcoming months. The Forward Plan is attached at Appendix 1.

Recommendation

2. That the report be noted.

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An EIA is not required as no negative impacts are anticipated.

Management Committee Date	Agenda Item	Harbour Board Date
11 September 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marine Director and Harbour Master's Report and Current Issues • Environmental Update • Forward Plan for Future Meetings • Briefing (Man Cttee only) • Review of Harbour Dues 	25 September 2020
N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marine Director and Harbour Master's Report and Current Issues • Environmental Update • Harbour Works Consent (if applicable) • Forward Plan for Future Meetings 	13 November 2020
4 December 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marine Director and Harbour Master's Report and Current Issues • Environmental Update • Harbour Works Consent (if applicable) • River Hamble 2020/21 Forecast Outturn and 2021/22 Forward Budget • Review of Fees and Charges • Forward Plan for Future Meetings 	8 Jan 2021
2 March 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	9 April 2021