

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

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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.

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. Activity is listed at Appendix 1.

Issues

Port Marine Safety Code Inspection

5. The Designated Person carried out a routine 6 monthly inspection of the RHHA Marine Safety Management System on 2 Nov 2021. All previous recommendations had been actioned. The MSMS was found to be compliant in continuation. The report is at Appendix 2.

Issue of General Direction No 3

6. General Direction No 3 has been issued to make it explicitly clear to those in charge of Personal Watercraft (PWC) that all Rules and Bye Laws apply to them within the River Hamble, just as to all other craft. The requirement for this additional Direction, which complements General Direction No 2, has arisen because doubt in the status of a PWC as a vessel used in navigation has been highlighted in a DfT Consultation paper aimed at strengthening Merchant Shipping accident and reporting legislation outside of 'managed' waters. The consultation recognises the existing powers of some Harbour Authorities to make and enforce Special Rules relating to the conduct of specific types of craft in 'managed' waters. The General Direction does not change any Law within the Hamble but makes it clear that rules put in place for the safety of all apply equally to all in advance of any unseamanlike challenge which may arise here. The requirement for this Direction reflects the increased volume in PWC traffic and the nature of interaction between these powerful craft and other vessels, notably but not exclusively in the mouth of the River.

M27 Bridge Drainage

7. There remains no firm plan on a solution to the direct drainage of waste material into the River from the M27 Bridge. Highways England has previously confirmed that the matter remains of concern and that a further bid will be made for funding. Discussions are ongoing at officer level to establish timings and further intent.

Trends

8. Indicative trends of supporting activity to River use are given at Appendix 3. Figures for 2021 are to 20 October. Activity is broadly in line with earlier years with some fluctuations.

Internal Management Targets

9. Internal management targets were published in the Marine Safety Plan for 2020-2023. Appendix 4 lists how these have been achieved.

Strategic Plan and Vision Documents

10. A routine three-yearly revision of the Harbour Authority's Strategic Plan and Vision documents for the period 2022-2025 has begun. The original

documents, developed by the Board with advice from the Management Committee, have held the Authority in good stead over the past three years. Pour memoire, the 2018-2021 headmarks were:

Strategic Vision: To conserve the natural beauty, character and history of the Harbour, balanced with the needs of the many people who use it, whilst ensuring that it is safe to navigate and accessible to as many people as possible, now and for succeeding generations.

Strategic Plan Mission Statement: To ensure that the Harbour is operated safely and efficiently so as to safeguard the Harbour, its users, the public and the environment, both now and in the future. It is committed within its powers to fulfilling all its duties and responsibilities in a safe and efficient manner, to the enhancement of access and facilities for River Users and to the enhancement of the well-being, enjoyment and economic benefit of the River for all.

Minor amendments to take account predominantly of environmental policy changes over the past three years are being discussed. Members are invited to contact the Harbour Master directly if they wish to discuss the matter in more depth.

Climate Change and Carbon Mitigation Impact Assessment

- 11. Hampshire County Council utilises two decision-making tools to assess the carbon emissions and resilience impacts of its projects and decisions. These tools provide a clear, robust, and transparent way of assessing how projects, policies and initiatives contribute towards the County Council's climate change targets of being carbon neutral and resilient to the impacts of a 2°C temperature rise by 2050. This process ensures that climate change considerations are built into everything the Authority does.**

Climate Change Adaptation. A full assessment of climate change vulnerability was not completed as no decision is required in respect of this report.

Carbon Mitigation. A full assessment of carbon mitigation vulnerability was not completed as no decision is required in respect of this report.

Appendix 1 To Marine Director Report

Incidents and Events

- 12.01. 01 Aug. Recovered an abandoned tender to the Harbour pound. Stopped and warned the skipper of a small motor vessel for speeding in the vicinity of the A27 Bridge. Assistance given to Hedge End Police in locating a yacht which had returned from overseas to ensure compliance with COVID regulations. Day into night audit of Aids to Navigation to allow checks on timings and efficacy of navigation lights at sunset.
- 12.02. 02 Aug. Boat coding work. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit regarding yachts returning to UK from overseas. Liaison with HM Coast Guard to recover broken down RIB to Warsash.
- 12.03. 03 Aug. Liaison with owner of tender recovered at 7.01. to return. Attended Hamble Jetty on receipt of report of ASB by Hamble Life Boat. Perpetrators dispersed. Police in attendance.
- 12.04. 04 Aug. Towed a broken-down RIB to her berth at a boatyard. Assistance given to a small Southampton based RIB broken down in the Main Channel. Attended Hamble Jetty to disperse a group of swimmers who had been advised by the Police that swimming from the HM Jetty was allowed, despite clear signage and HM direction to the contrary. (Note by HM – in meeting with Borough Chief Inspector 5 Aug, this was firmly contrary to his direction. Resolved).
- 12.05. 05 Aug. Signage at Hamble Jetty vandalised. Reported as criminal damage. HM meeting with Eastleigh Police Chief Inspector. Patrol stopped and warned verbally a RIB for excessive speed and wash.
- 12.06. 06 Aug. Support to the 50th Anniversary of Sir Chay Blyth's return to the Hamble in 1971, following his successful West-about circumnavigation in BRITISH STEEL. Escort of Sir Chay to the Royal Southern Yacht Club with Sir Robin Knox-Johnston embarked.
- 12.07. 07 Aug. Assistance given to Calshot Life Boat in recovering a yacht to Warsash Jetty with her propeller foul on fishing lines. Responded to a call from a vessel with engine failure at the Mouth of the River. Vessel had run aground adjacent to No 7 pile on arrival. Lines passed and towed free to HM Jetty Warsash for defect rectification.
- 12.08. 08 Aug. Patrol stopped and warned verbally a small speeding RIB off Hamble. Hailed by a small motor vessel of River Hamble Country Park Jetty with propulsion failure, traced to a broken coolant hose. Fixed by patrol and engine re-started. Stopped and warned the owner of a jet-ski

speeding between the bridges. Jet ski had launched from outside the River. Compliant.

- 12.09. 09 Aug. Checked mid-stream moored yacht on behalf of owner for left equipment. Recovered abandoned tender from foreshore at RHCP to Harbour Office. Advice given to two wind-foiling craft in the mouth of the River. Enhanced mooring checks in high winds. Pumped out a number of inundated tenders at Warsash HM link span. Assistance given to a capsized dinghy in the mouth of the River.
- 12.10. 10 Aug. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor. Assistance given to a tender aground opposite the River Hamble Country Park Jetty. Assistance given to a small tender which had capsized off Warsash with four persons in the water. All recovered safely. Liaison with HM Coast Guard regarding an incident involving two paddleboarders stranded on a falling tide opposite RHCP jetty. Recovered a tender from the foreshore at Warsash to the Harbour Office.
- 12.11. 11 Aug. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit regarding anti-social behaviour. Liaison with Hamble Lifeboat which reported an attempted theft from a vessel on a sailing club mooring. Advice given to a sailing club safety boat crew regarding the need to wear life jackets.
- 12.12. 12 Aug. Removed a visiting yacht from a private mid-stream mooring. Assistance given to a large yacht in berthing on the Visitors' Pontoon.
- 12.13. 13 Aug. Replaced port hand marker buoy between Riverside boatyard and M27 Bridge. Stopped and advised a large motor vessel on excessive wash off Warsash. Stopped and warned a small motor cruiser for excessive speed and wash off Crableck.
- 12.14. 14 Aug. Liaison with UK Border Force. Advice given to two open water swimmers off Hamble to keep clear of the Main Channel. Removed a visiting yacht from a private mid-stream mooring to the Visitors' Pontoon. Removed a swimmer from HM Pontoon Warsash.
- 12.15. 15 Aug. Support given to a grounded tender and occupants. Berthing assistance given to two visiting yachts in strong winds.
- 12.16. 16 Aug. Assistance given to a departing yacht with engine failure in the Main Channel. Advice given to fishermen at Hamble Jetty. Assistance given to a yacht with engine failure in the mouth of the River. Patrol craft maintenance. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police unit regarding a vessel of interest. Liaison with a marina reporting a fire on board a marina-moored vessel. Fire brigade called and Patrol attended. Galley fire extinguished. Vessel made safe.
- 12.17. 17 Aug. Vessel checks made on behalf of the estate of a deceased mooring holder. Removed a group of 7 swimmers from Hamble Jetty, jumping from the moored Pink Ferry. Police called. Assistance given to a

yacht with propulsion failure at the mouth of the River. Escorted to her marina berth.

- 12.18. 18 Aug. Commercial tow of a yacht to a yard for lift out. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor. While refuelling CROWN, noticed an adjacent vessel had spilt a small amount of diesel. Broken up with propeller wash. On taking payment from a visiting yacht at Hamble Jetty, received report of alleged drug use adjacent to Hamble Life Boat. Drug paraphernalia located and Police called.
- 12.19. 19 Aug. Liaison with Hamble Ferry regarding anti-social behaviour at Hamble Jetty – verbal abuse and jumping from the ferry. Police called but had not managed to attend before youths dispersed.
- 12.20. 20 Aug. Berthing assistance given to a visiting yacht at Warsash. Air and tide gauge maintenance.
- 12.21. 21 Aug. Preparations made for the visit of a tall ship. Assistance given to a fishing vessel with intermittent propulsion difficulties. Tracking down of visiting vessel which departed without payment of Harbour Dues. Vessel had previously failed to pay and will be locked on next visit.
- 12.22. 22 Aug. Assistance given to a small motor vessel which had run out of fuel. Two rod fishermen asked to re-locate from Hamble Jetty to the quay. Compliant. Tracking down of a charter yacht which had failed to pay Harbour Dues for a short stay. Liaison with HM Coast Guard and Hamble Life Boat regarding a casualty on a mid-stream moored yacht. Ambulance in attendance and casualty evacuated to Southampton General for treatment. Assistance given to a small motor vessel which had run out of fuel off Crableck. Recovered a large branch from the Main Channel off RHCP Jetty. Removed a group of a dozen swimmers from Hamble Jetty after Police departure (around 1530), climbing on moored tenders. Later returned to remove the same group which had returned at 1915.
- 12.23. 23 Aug. Commercial tow of a large motor vessel to yard for lift out. Harbour Board new member boat trip and River familiarisation. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit. Assistance given to a Tall Ships Youth Trust in mooring on the Visitors' Pontoon.
- 12.24. 24 Aug. Recovered a large branch from the Main Channel off Swanwick. Assistance given to a mid-stream moored motor vessel with engine failure in coming alongside his mooring. Location of a vessel reported as being involved in a close quarters incident.
- 12.25. 25 Aug. Hatch checked at the request of a mid-stream mooring holder. Large branch removed from the Main Channel near the M27 Bridge. Liaison with the owner of a yacht involved in a collision with a moored vessel of Crableck. Details exchanged. Investigated a report of a collision between a mid-stream mooring holder and the starboard marker at Swanwick bend. No damage to the marker but minor abrasions to the

yacht. Skipper error of judgment while negotiating the turn. Hailed by the owner of a small yacht reporting a failed sea cock and associated ingress of water. Pump deployed and vessel towed to yard for lift out and defect rectification. In darkness patrol to RHCP and advice given to a small group of kayakers operating without a torch or lights to indicate presence.

- 12.26. 26 Aug. Support given to a visiting rally. Report taken from a marina of a series of collisions between a departing motor vessel and resident moored vessels. False details had been given by the owner of the vessel responsible and no report made by him to the Harbour Office. Tracking action initiated with Hampshire Marine Police Unit. Small tender at anchor moved on from her position adjacent to Hamble Jetty. Non-compliant but eventually moved when advised of Bye Law.
- 12.27. 27 Aug. Stopped and warned a large motor vessel off Hamble for excessive speed and wash. Moved on a vessel at anchor in the Mian Channel off Mercury Marina. Report taken from Port Hamble fuel berth regarding fuel non-availability.
- 12.28. 28 Aug. Support to Bursledon Regatta. Stopped and warned a RIB in the Upper River for excessive speed and wash. Towed a yacht with battery control issues from the mouth of the River to her berth.
- 12.29. 29 Aug. Liaison with a River User to recover his tender from the Harbour Office yard. Liaison with a fuel berth reporting a vessel without power which had anchored off the berth. Patrol attended and towed the vessel back to her marina berth for defect rectification. Assistance given to motor vessel with propulsion failure North of the M27 Bridge.
- 12.30. 30 Aug. Liaison with HM Coast Guard reporting a vessel aground North of the M27 Bridge. The vessel was located and found to be safe to refloat on the next tide. Personal Watercraft advised regarding excessive speed and wash off Warsash. Similar advice given to a RIB opposite RHCP Jetty. Liaison with UK Border Force. Vessel at 7.29 refloated.
- 12.31. 31 Aug. Moved on a small vessel engaged in private fishing from a mid-stream pontoon.
- 12.32. 01 Sep. Liaison with the Crown Estate regarding the forthcoming pile maintenance contract. Pumped out inundated tenders at Hamble Jetty. Moved on a visiting vessel which had picked up a private mooring.
- 12.33. 02 Sep. Patrol boat maintenance. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor. Commercial tow of a motor vessel to a boatyard for lift out. Unserviceable light located during night survey of Aids to Navigation. Notice issued to yard responsible for follow-up. Assistance given to yacht with steering gear failure in manoeuvring onto berth.
- 12.34. 03 Sep. Preparations for rally.

- 12.35. 04 Sep. Support to open water swimming at Bursledon. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit. Pumped out inundated RIB at Hamble Jetty. Preparations for Hamble Classics support. Responded to call from a marina regarding a minor diesel oil spill and anti-social behaviour. Marina advised to call 101. Attended to break up diesel spill with propeller wash. Perpetrators of anti-social behaviour had departed. Liaison with Crown Estate mooring contractor. Patrol in the mouth of the River to bear down on excessive speed and wash created by a number of departing PWC.
- 12.36. 05 Sep. Liaison with Hamble Life Boat. Moved on a small motor vessel at anchor off Crableck. Received call from the on-duty Pink Ferry operator regarding abusive behaviour from a customer. Advised to call the Police. Stopped and warned an inbound PWC for excessive speed and wash. Tow of a motor vessel to a fuel berth.
- 12.37. 06 Sep. Moved on a RIB at anchor off Warsash. Blue light pursuit of two PWC from Warsash at speed in the mouth of the River. Stopped and warned another inbound PWC for excessive speed and wash. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit. Support to a yacht owner reporting collision damage to his vessel. Attended Hamble Jetty to remove swimmers after sunset.
- 12.38. 07 Sep. Liaison with Southampton Patrol. Support given to a small yacht awaiting lift out at a boatyard.
- 12.39. 08 Sep. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit.
- 12.40. 09 Sep. Sighted two young seals off the Chinese Bridge. Recovered two large branches from the Upper River. Stopped and warned a departing RIB for excessive speed and wash.
- 12.41. 10 Sep. Tow of a motor vessel with propulsion problem to HM Pontoon for defect rectification. Tow of a second vessel with propulsion problem to a marina for defect rectification. Towed a third vessel with propulsion problem to her proper berth.
- 12.42. 11 Sep. Received report of minor collision between a yacht underway and two moored vessels. Details exchanged. Skipper handling error while berthing in ebb tide.
- 12.43. 12 Sep. Tide gauge clean. Recovered a large branch from the Main Channel beneath the M27 Bridge.
- 12.44. 13 Sep. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor. Support to Hamble Classics event. Moved a vessel from her proper mooring following inspection of lines (defective). Owner informed.
- 12.45. 14 Sep. Liaison with Crown Estate mooring contractor regarding inspection of the buoy marking the location of the Grace Dieu.

- 12.46. 15 Sep. Pontoon repair work. Cut back overhanging trees in the channel at Botley.
- 12.47. 16 Sep. Marina liaison. Stopped and rebriefed a sailing club launch skipper for excessive speed. Visitors' Pontoon maintenance.
- 12.48. 17 Sep. Patrol craft maintenance. Stopped and warned a RIB for excessive speed and wash.
- 12.49. 18 Sep. Stopped to enquire as to the intentions of a small yacht (no mast) which had taken the ground opposite the RHCP Jetty. Reminded of the importance of the Habitats' regulations. Commercial tow of a small motor vessel with steering gear failure from the midstream Visitors' Pontoon to her marina berth.
- 12.50. 19 Sep. Assistance given to a large motor vessel which had misjudged her cross-tide approach to a berth on a strong flood and collided beam-on with the anchor of a second moored motor vessel causing damage to the former. Details exchanged. Following a VHF call from Southampton Patrol (SP), attended a vessel in the mouth of the River. The skipper had become disoriented in Southampton Water and SP Master had judged him to be in need of medical assessment. The vessel moored at HM Pontoon Warsash and was met by First Responders from Hampshire Ambulance. Having been judged well enough to go home in a taxi.
- 12.51. 20 Sep. Skipper of the vessel at 7.50 returned to collect the craft and return to his home berth on the Itchen. Southampton HM informed. Safe arrival later reported. Increased traffic for the Isle of Wight Festival.
- 12.52. 21 Sep. Recovered an abandoned windsurfing board from RHCP. Following various reports from River Users regarding a speeding PWC North of Hamble, Patrol located a PWC matching the description given off Port Hamble. Two persons, a male and a female, were on board. The PWC driver was re-fuelling from a can of petrol in the Main Channel. Patrol approached the driver to warn him for excessive speed and wash. The driver issued verbal threats of violence and refused to give details although patrol obtained the data tag number of the craft and video footage of the craft's departure from the River at speed, contrary to the advice given. The driver has been identified and is the subject of further investigation.
- 12.53. 22 Sep. Patrol recovered a section of a dinghy adjacent to No 9 Pile and also a large plank of wood. Patrol attended a pontoon reported as being caught on a pile iron. Pontoon freed. Following a report from a passing vessel of a large log adjacent to the 'L' Run, patrol made an unsuccessful search. Patrol responded to a call from a member of the public reporting a beached PWC at the mouth of the River. PWC located with two persons on board, beached at Hook. Neither had any means of communication. Craft was towed to Warsash slip for recovery and transportation back to the Itchen.

- 12.54. 23 Sep. Investigation into breach of Crown Estate licence terms in respect of two vessels with structures fitted to pontoons. Assistance given to a sailing club to remove two unauthorised visiting vessels on a private Club pontoon. Returned a tender which had come adrift from her Marina mooring to her proper owner. Light audit. Previously reported defect rectified.
- 12.55. 24 Sep. Patrol boat maintenance. Observed a tender, apparently in difficulty off Lincegrove and Hacketts' Marshes. On attending the tender had run out of fuel but the owner had fuel available and was in the course of re-fuelling. Recovered a large log from the Main Channel under the M27 Bridge. Assistance given in starting the engine of a tender at RHCP.
- 12.56. 25 Sep. Responded to a VHF call from a Fishing Vessel broken down off Warsash College Jetty. Towed to Warsash for defect rectification. Liaison with Hamble Life Boat and Hampshire Ambulance to recover a vessel to Warsash whose skipper was unwell. Maintenance of No 5 light. Assistance given to 'Wet Wheels' charity event.
- 12.57. 26 Sep. Responded to a call reporting a swan which had apparently swallowed a fishing hook off Bursledon. On arrival, two swans located but neither showed evidence of having swallowed a hook. Recovered a large log from the Main Channel off RHCP Jetty.
- 12.58. 27 Sep. Assistance given to a motor vessel being recovered to Swanwick Hard. Responded to a call from a marina dockmaster reporting an alleged black water discharge within the marina. Inconclusive evidence provided.
- 12.59. 28 Sep. Liaison with the owner of a mid-stream moored yacht regarding its condition in high winds. Further inconclusive investigation into the discharge issue at 7.58.
- 12.60. 29 Sep. Patrol Police interview regarding incident at 7.52. Pumped out and turned inundated RIB at Warsash link span. HM to Association of River Hamble Yacht Clubs' routine meeting at the RAFYC. Moved on a small private fishing vessel which had picked up a Crown Estate mooring adjacent to the Chinese Bridge.
- 12.61. 30 Sep. Light traffic. Nothing significant to report.
- 12.62. 01 Oct. Survey and replacement of bolts on RHCP Jetty. Liaison with HMCG and Warsash Academy to assist and refloat a small RIB aground on Hamble Spit. Boat coding work.
- 12.63. 02 Oct. High winds and rain. Little traffic. Boat coding work.
- 12.64. 03 Oct. Pumped out inundated tenders at Warsash link span. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor. Attended Hamble Spit to assist a large yacht aground between No 9 and No 7 marks in a strong Westerly

wind and on a falling tide. Yacht freed. Skipper error in being on the port (lee) side of the channel in the prevailing conditions.

- 12.65. 04 Oct. First Aid equipment checks. Pumped out a yacht on the 'M' run. Monitoring. Owner informed.
- 12.66. 05 Oct. Grounding of chartered yacht conducting an RYA training course on Hamble Spit, as at 7.64, between Nos 9 and 7 Marks. Yacht outbound on the Port (lee) side of the channel in light traffic, Westerly (20 knot) winds and on a strong ebb tide. Vessel freed by combined effort of Harbour Patrol and passing RIB. Investigation revealed that the helm was under instruction while the instructor was briefing and making ready for a sail hoist in a disadvantageous position. Liaison with charter company to monitor quality of the Marine Accident Report which was deficient in significant respects. Advice given to address missing factors. Investigation ongoing.
- 12.67. 06 Oct. Patrol boat maintenance. Light traffic.
- 12.68. 07 Oct. Branch and vegetation clearance in Botley approaches. Patrol craft maintenance. Jetty maintenance at Warsash.
- 12.69. 08 Oct. HCC staff River familiarisation boat trip. Hamble Jetty maintenance.
- 12.70. 09 Oct. Liaison between two vessel owners regarding a minor berthing collision. Support to bird survey.
- 12.71. 10 Oct. Recovered a number of large branches from the Main Channel in the Upper River. Stopped and advised a number of inbound Motor Vessels for excessive speed and wash. Liaison with Hamble Life Boat regarding recent lessons. At 1951, received a call from HMCG indicating that a male had entered the water at a marina, followed by three others in an attempt to rescue him. Calshot Life Boat, HM CG and Hampshire Ambulance on scene. Male recovered but fatality confirmed in the Ambulance. All other persons recovered.
- 12.72. 11 Oct. Liaison with HM CG Hamble Life Boat and Hampshire Marine Police Unit regarding incident at 7.71.
- 12.73. 12 Oct. Patrol responded to a VHF call from a Motor Vessel in difficulty within the River. Initial call reported location as off Hamble Point but visual check revealed that the boat was elsewhere. During a second call, vessel's location was changed to Port Hamble. Patrol attended and found a 45 ft Motor Vessel with two persons on board heading astern upriver at around 10 knots, out of control. Both crew members were in a distressed state and unaware of the speed at which the vessel was travelling. The motor vessel slowed and its stern made glancing contact with the quarter of a moored yacht before Patrol succeeded in passing a line to the bow of the vessel. Hampshire Marine Police Unit RIBs were also on scene to assist in

bringing the vessel under control and in towing her back to her berth near Warsash. She made her final approach under her own power while under the control of Patrol and HMPU RIB. Neither crew were injured and were advised to call 111 if necessary. Liaison between owners to resolve damage.

- 12.74. 13 Oct. Responded to a VHF call from the owner of a Hamble-based yacht in Southampton water with propulsion failure and under tow by another vessel. Patrol met the pair at the mouth of the River and towed the yacht to a yard for defect rectification.
- 12.75. 14 Oct. Commercial mooring check on behalf of a mid-stream mooring holder. Patrol boat maintenance. Liaison with Ministry of Defence Police Launch to recover a Hamble-based motor vessel with propulsion failure to her marina berth.
- 12.76. 15 Oct. Patrol boat maintenance. Liaison with a marina to provide update on overseas visitors' regulations. Attended a vessel whose owner had been reported as falling over the side. On arrival, a male had self-recovered and was uninjured. Boat coding work. Maintenance of Aids to Navigation.
- 12.77. 16 Oct. Follow-up action to locate a non-payer at Hamble Jetty. Liaison with UK Border Force and Hampshire Marine Police Unit to track a vessel of interest.
- 12.78. 17 Oct. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor. Rally preparation work. Assistance given to a yacht off Warsash College Jetty. Both propeller shaft and propeller were found to be missing causing a rapid ingress of water. This had been stemmed by the insertion of a bung. Emergency lift-out arranged by Patrol at a marina. Towed to lift facility safely.
- 12.79. 18 Oct. Light traffic.
- 12.80. 19 Oct. Hamble Jetty maintenance.
- 12.81. 20 Oct. Attended and re-secured a mid-stream moored vessel with a parted bow line. Owner informed. Vessel towed to Visitors' Pontoon. Re-positioning of vessels on the Visitors' Pontoon in preparation for the arrival of a 60m deep draft yacht.
- 12.82. 21 Oct. Overnight power outage caused by junction box failure. Business continuity plan initiated pending reinstatement of electrical power. Southern Electric in attendance and generator facility put in place.
- 12.83. 22 Oct. Recovered a large branch from the Main Channel near the A27 Bridge.

- 12.84. 23 Oct. Commercial make up of mooring lines for vessel at 10.81. Commercial tow of yacht to Visitors' Pontoon.
- 12.85. 24 Oct. Fitting of mooring lines for vessel at 10.81. Support to dinghy sailing activity.
- 12.86. 25 Oct. Maintenance of Aids to Navigation at Warsash HM Jetty. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit regarding a vessel of interest. Assistance given to a local fisherman.
- 12.87. 26 Oct. Patrol craft maintenance. Assistance given to a capsized sailing dinghy off Hamble. Removed a group of youths from fishing tenders at Warsash.
- 12.88. 27 Oct. Rigged Hallowe'en decorations in support of a local charity. Removed 4 private fishermen from HM Jetty Warsash; busy pontoon space taken up with fishing gear and take-away detritus.
- 12.89. 28 Oct. Light traffic.
- 13.90. 29 Oct. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit. Responded to a call from a member of the public at Hamble Jetty reporting an attempt at suicide at Hamble Jetty. Hampshire Ambulance in attendance. Person recovered to the Life Boat Station for immediate First Aid assessment and follow-up action.
- 12.91. 30 Oct. Preparations for forecast strong winds and additional mooring checks. Attended Hamble in response to a report of a minor petrol spillage. Absorbent pads deployed. Attended a 35 foot yacht aground on Hook Spit on a lee shore and rising tide. Vessel pulled clear.
- 12.92. 31 Oct. Very strong SSW winds. Gust of 71Knots recorded at the Harbour Office (0844). Heavy outbound traffic between 0615 and 0700 to observe demolition of Fawley Power Station Chimney. Poor visibility. Very poor conduct of outbound RIB drivers, some observed at speeds of over 20 knots adjacent to the mid-stream Visitors' Pontoon. Assistance given to vessels exposed to wind and swell on the Visitors' Pontoon. Attended a privately owned mooring to tow a small yacht to safety at Warsash after mooring lines failed. Attended a vessel North of Crableck which had broken free of her mid-stream mooring and impacted with another moored vessel. Towed to and secured to a vacant mooring. Owners contacted. Assistance given to a vessel with a rope caught around her propeller. Rope removed by grapnel. Winds abated pm. Assistance given in recovering a small yacht with engine cooling difficulties to the Visitors' Pontoon for effect rectification. Headsail refurled on a mid-stream moored yacht. Liaison with owners concerned about the impact of storm-force winds.

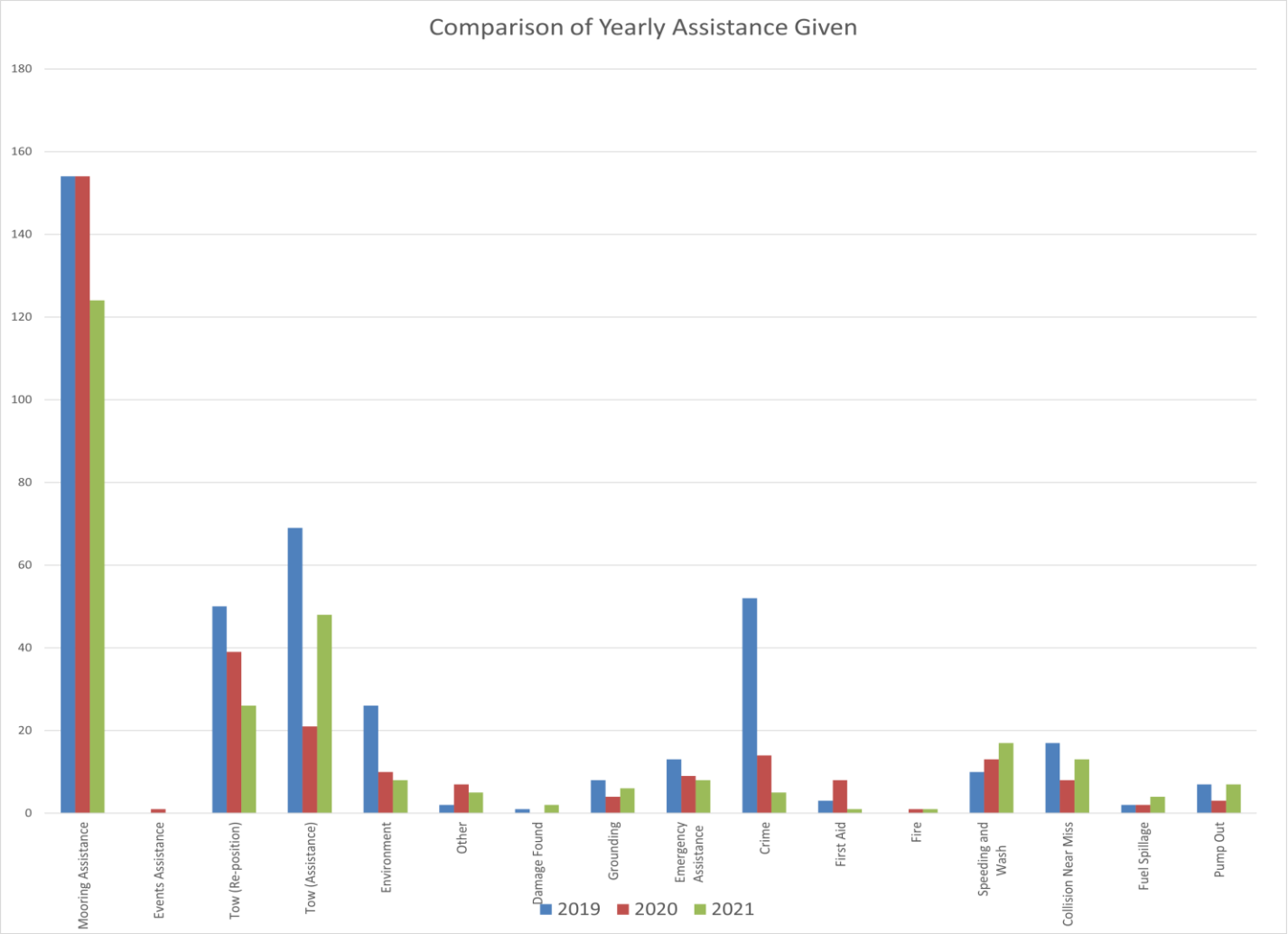
- 12.93. 01 Nov. Enhanced mooring checks following strong winds. Assistance given (tow) to a tender with engine failure off Warsash. Liaison with mooring holders.
- 12.94. 2 Nov. Enhanced mooring checks following strong winds. Assistance given to two persons in a rowing tender against a strong flood tide. Liaison with a vessel owner following emergency relocation during inclement weather. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit.
- 12.95. 3 Nov. Chainsaw work to remove a fallen tree near the Bark Store at Botley. Assisted a visiting catamaran alongside her berth. Commercial tow of a yacht from the Visitors' Pontoon to her berth.
- 12.96. 4 Nov. Pumped out an inundated tender at Warsash. Re-secured a loose canopy on a mid-stream moored yacht. Liaison with owner to report.
- 12.97. 5 Nov. Stopped and warned verbally the driver of a PWC off Hamble Point for excessive speed and wash. Search for missing canopy section of yacht at 12.96.
- 12.98. 6 Nov. Storm damage to a mid-stream pontoon identified. Liaison with owner to rectify. Support to a bird survey. Stopped and warned the skipper of a large motor vessel for excessive speed and wash.
- 12.99. 7 Nov. Recovered a sail cover from the River adjacent to a mid-stream moored yacht. Cover matched a missing section – owner informed. Evening light audit.
- 12.100. 8 Nov. Moved on a school yacht from a private mid-stream mooring. Recovered three sections of timber from the Main Channel to the Harbour Office. Routine patrol craft maintenance.
- 12.101. 9 Nov. Commercial preparation of replacement pile lines for a mid-stream moored vessel. Assistance given to a new-mooring holder in picking up and leaving from a piled mooring. Chain saw work near the Bark Store to complete removal of a fallen tree.
- 12.102. 10 Nov. Light traffic. Recovered 'ghost statues' positioned for a charity.
- 12.103. 11 Nov. Office maintenance – replaced a power cable along office wall. Patrol craft routine maintenance.
- 12.104. 12 Nov. Attended a mid-stream moored yacht with an open hatch. No persons on board. No apparent damage, owner informed.
- 12.105. 13 Nov. Light traffic. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit regarding a report of a stolen catamaran. Recovered a large branch from the Main Channel.
- 12.106. 14 Nov. Pile iron check for defective bolts. Liaison with the Crown Estate Mooring Contractor.

- 12.109. 15 Nov. Further liaison with the Crown Estate Mooring Contractor regarding pile iron maintenance.
- 12.110. 16 Nov. Hailed and warned verbally a marina staff RIB for excessive speed and wash in the mouth of the River. Fitting of replacement lights on Warsash HM Jetty.
- 12.111. 17 Nov. Liaison with the Crown Estate Mooring Contractor regarding the forthcoming routine pile maintenance project. Yard clearance work. Preparations for yard fence replacement work. Patrol identified loose bolts on a mid-stream pile iron. Liaison with the CE Mooring Contractor to arrange replacement.
- 12.112. 18 Nov. Liaison with Hampshire Marine Police Unit (interoperability training). Yard clearance work. Office yard fencing project commenced. Returned 'ghost statues' to a charity. Office Fire extinguisher servicing programme.
- 12.113. 19 Nov. Continued Office yard fencing project. First Aid equipment maintenance. Assistance given to Hampshire Marine Police Unit.
- 12.114. 20 Nov. First Aid equipment maintenance. Advice given to paddleboarders and kayak paddlers off Swanwick.
- 12.115. 21 Nov. Office path maintenance. Moorings measurement checks.
- 12.116. 22 Nov. Moorings measurement checks. Manufacture of Office Christmas decorations. Assistance given to contractors in replacement of water pipes and stanchions on HM Jetty to ensure compliance with Legionella Health and Safety guidance.
- 12.117. 23 Nov. Liaison with a marina regarding an unauthorised visiting yacht. On receipt of a telephone report from a visiting yacht, first aid assistance given to a crew member with a cut on his forehead. Skipper had called for an ambulance. Hampshire Ambulance attended HM Jetty Warsash for assessment. Casualty treated for minor injury and released.
- 12.118. 24 Nov. Yard fence building work. Light traffic.
- 12.119. 25 Nov. Light traffic. Completion of fence building work. Preparations for forecast strong Northerly winds.
- 12.120. 26 Nov. On receipt of a call from a member of the public attended Swanwick to recover a dead adult swan. Following the recent change in DEFRA policy on Avian Flu risk, Swan formally reported and PPE deployed. Swan removed by DEFRA for post mortem and any necessary follow-up action.
- 12.121. 27 Nov. Patrol attended Swanwick foreshore to remove a metal hazard reported by a member of the public in the intertidal zone 200m East of the slipway. Area surveyed and grinder deployed to ensure removal of risk.

Patrol located a failed pile iron which had resulted in vessel movement. Liaison with the Crown Estate mooring contractor and owners to rectify defect.

12.122. 28 Nov. Liaison with a mid-stream mooring contractor regarding a damaged pontoon.

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Marine Safety Plan Management Performance Indication

PMSC Compliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To conduct a SMS policy review at a minimum of 3 yearly intervals. • To review legislation on an annual basis. • To conduct at least annual independent and transparent inspection of the Marine SMS. • To deliver three-yearly certification by the Duty Holder to the Maritime and Coast Guard Agency of RHHA compliance with the PMSC. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of 2018-2021 policy underway for 2022-2024 for endorsement Jan Board. • Legislation reviewed 09 Oct 2021 (Gen Dir). • 18 May 21 and 02 Nov 21. • 08 Jan 21.
Navigational Incidents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through a risk-based Marine Safety Management System, to manage all navigational risks within the River to a level that is ALARP. • To monitor trends and incidents both within and external to the River in order to learn lessons relevant to River Users' safety and apply those to improve the SMS in a manner that is formally recorded. • Enforcement of Bye Laws and Directions. • To disseminate that information to River Users in a manner that takes account in technological development, in order to reduce the frequency of incidents year on year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ratified by independent inspection 02 Nov 21. • Formally recorded in Operational and Safety meetings. Review of service levels provided under Risk Assessment 59 conducted 9 June 21. • Reported on at Board Meetings. • Safety Bulletin 1/21 06 Jun 21 issued to River Users via 'Harbour Assist' database and on website.
Aids to Navigation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To maintain and, where necessary improve Aids to Navigation in consultation with River Users and Trinity House. • To sustain the RHHA Category C status as a Local Lighthouse Authority. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aids to Navigation unaltered and last inspected by officers from Trinity House 22 Mar 21. 3 minor defects closed out. • Sustained (see above).

Hydrographic Survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To survey the River in accordance with the latest UKHO/UKHMA MOU. • To ensure that each section of the River is surveyed at a maximum of 3 yearly intervals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey of River in 9 stages. Next segments 6 and 7 15 Nov 21. New Edition Chart 2022 (Hamble) issued 19 Feb 2020 based on updated data.
Health and Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To comply with the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 (and subsequent) legislation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspection by HCC HS 19 Oct 21. Roll-out of revised HSE procedures phases 1, 2 and 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪Health & Safety Policy & Arrangements ▪Legionella ▪Violence & Aggression ▪Work at Height ▪Work Equipment ▪Risk Assessment ▪Accident and Incident Reporting and Investigation ▪Lone Working ▪Electrical Safety ▪First aid ▪Confined Spaces ▪Noise ▪Vibration • Updated routine improvement plan issued 18 Oct 21.
Sustainment of Operational Supporting Pillars of the Safety Management System through prudent financial planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To survey at 5-yearly intervals and husband supporting operational infrastructure to plan up to 50 years ahead and inform Board decision-making about any year-on-year need to increase Harbour Dues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey 2017. Annual Asset Review Report submitted in April 2021 and considered alongside Annual Accounts and inform Harbour Dues judgement.
Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governance: To give transparency and Accountability for decision-making through the annual round of RHHB, RH Management Committee and Annual Forum meetings • Support for, approval for and facilitation of River Events, driven by a pro-active River community. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BAU • Support to major events given, including Club programmes and the 2021 Bursledon Regatta.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership of and support to formal and informal groups of River Users • Maintenance and promotion of an Event Code of Conduct document to foster best-practice. • Funding and delivery of up-to-date and relevant information, signage and documentary material to promote safety. • To issue advance notice of a week (or where necessary longer) for significant River events through a programme of Local Notices to Mariners (Notice To River Users (NTRU)). • Engagement with and sustainment of RHHA knowledge of Government and other agencies' policy and developing policy in order to educate and inform decision making. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewed with the Association of River Hamble Yacht Clubs 28 Sep 21. • New signage commissioned for Hamble Jetty Sep 21. Funding of 2022 River Hamble Handbook content agreed 08 Oct 21. • NTRU issued throughout 2021 season. • HM membership of UKHMA, SASHMA, British Ports Association, Associate Fellowship of the Nautical Institute. Membership of DfT Steering Group.
Environment and Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The maintenance of an Oil Spill Management Plan and training regime to meet the threat and comply with legislative requirements. • The maintenance of a Port Waste Management Plan, reviewed at 3 yearly intervals or as modified by legislation. • The provision of advice to prospective planners in advance of application to inform viability. • Enforcement of Bye Laws. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oil Spill Management Plan reviewed by the Regulator (the MCA) at 5 yearly intervals. Last Approval 01 Aug 2018, valid until 01 Aug 2023. • Port Waste Management Plan reviewed by the Regulator (the MCA) at 3 yearly intervals. Last approval 28 Oct 2020, valid until 28 Oct 2023. • 15 Occasions in 2021 to date. • 16 Official Warnings issued in 2021 to date.

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:

An EIA is not required as no negative impacts are anticipated