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Weymouth Harbour

Newsletter Issue

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Welcome to our annual newsletter where we review the year in the harbour and update you on plans for the next. We hope you enjoy reading this issue, please contact us if you would like to contribute an item/article for the next issue by calling **01305 838423** or email: **HarbourNews@dorset.gov.uk**

2016 was once again a period of change and progression for Weymouth and the Harbour; there is certainly no long range forecast of stability yet. The divorce from Condor Ferries is complete, High Speed Ferries are not yet ready to deliver a service to Cherbourg and so it is planned to develop the Theatre Peninsular. Coupled with other areas linked in to the Town Centre Masterplan the harbour and its activities will be touched in many ways by the evolution of the town. There is also important work going on in several agencies to consider the flood defences for the town which includes the harbour walls. Additionally there is likely to be change in the local government arrangements in Dorset which could impact on the governance of the harbour. Throughout there are many financial challenges also ahead. I do hope though that you have seen the continued upgrade to facilities that has been going on in the harbour throughout the year.

Even though visitor numbers have been slightly down this year, 2016 has been a busy year in the harbour for activities and events including the normal major ones of the Christmas Swim, Seafood Festival and Waterfest but there have been many others which are just as important but too many to mention. July saw us supporting Warner Brothers as the set for a section of a forthcoming Dunkirk film which will be released in the summer; our thanks go out for all the cooperation to make it a success. 2017 has an exciting programme of events and they will be starting soon so plan ahead to get the best enjoyment and encourage others to come too.

This newsletter has some important information about 2017 and I would like to encourage all harbour users to participate and contribute to the life of the

harbour in as many ways as possible. There will be some challenging decisions ahead and it is important that we strive to do the best for the user community. If you have any comments or suggestions please share them with us

Happy boating for 2017 and please keep it safe

Keith Howorth
Weymouth Harbour Master



Harbour Meeting Dates

Harbour Management Board Chair: Councillor Jason Osborne

- 22 February 2017

Harbour Consultative Group Chair: Alistair Clarke

- 18 January 2017
- 12 April 2017

Further dates, details of your representatives, agendas and minutes of meetings are at:
<http://moderngovdcp.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/uuCoverPage.aspx?bcr=1>

Sign up to e-billing <https://www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/sign-up-for-electronic-invoicing>

Leisure Pontoon Electric Meters

The new Smartcard meters have been in place for a few months now and the transition appears to be working really well. The new meters allow our customers to be in control of their electric usage, so no more invoices and standing charges.

If you have a mooring with electric and have not yet collected your Smartcard, please pop into the harbour office where one can be issued*. Please note each Smartcard is assigned to an individual and are non transferable.

Thankyou for your patience during the initial system set up and installation.

*A deposit of £5 is payable per card



Temporary Berth Holders Parking (until 1st April 2017)

In 2016 we introduced discounted parking for berth holders as an ideal alternative to the borough car parks when leaving your car behind to set sail from your berth.

The parking which is located at the rear of the Pavilion Car Park costs just £5.00 per 24 hours. Tokens are available from the Harbour Office upon receipt of payment.



Share your Weymouth Knowledge...

Is there a certain spot you like to visit by boat or by foot, a hidden gem in Weymouth? Somewhere to catch the best fish, see the best views of the coast or have the best food?

Let us know so we can share with visitors and other berthholders, email harbournews@dorset.gov.uk

Harbour Improvements

- It is hoped to refurbish the toilets on the Westwey Road pontoons once solutions/ quotes are received. This will include connection to the mains sewage which will remove the need for a sewage tank and empties. A break tank is in the process of being fitted to the water supply.
- The North Quay toilets and showers have been decorated.
- Some pontoon lights have been replaced on the Cargo Stage and Custom House Quay.
- There will be a rolling programme over several years to replace the electrical bollards on the pontoons.
- The slipway pontoons will be replaced early 2017.
- The viewing platform and some of the railings on the stone pier were refurbished in 2016 as part of a rolling programme of works. There were also some minor repairs to the walls' concrete surface on the south side near the beach.

Key Events

Weymouth and Portland host over 200 events every year. A full list can be found on <http://www.visit-dorset.com/>, but here's just a glimpse of the 2 most popular events and those that the Harbour Team will be attending:

Beaulieu Boat Jumble 23 April 2017

Meet some of the harbour team at this popular annual event.
<https://www.beaulieu.co.uk/>

Poole Harbour Boat Show 19 - 21 May 2017

A three day event along Poole Quay, showcasing local harbours, chandlers, boat builders and organisations.
www.pooleharbourboatshow.co.uk

Pommery Dorset Seafood Festival 8-9 July 2017

The UK's largest FREE seafood festival returns for it's 10th year! Local seafood, great chefs, demos and more in the stunning setting of Weymouth Harbour.
www.dorsetseafood.co.uk/

Waterfest Weymouth 9-10 September 2017

Now in it's 4th year, this event celebrates all things maritime set within Weymouth Harbour.
www.weareweymouth.co.uk/
waterfest-weymouth/



Just a few of the interesting vessels that have visited us in 2016...



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Who's Who in Weymouth Harbour

There were quite a few changes in the harbour office during 2016. Mary Horton and Ian Gale both retired after many years working within the council/harbour, then Becky Mustoe moved across to fill Mary's role leaving a vacancy filled by Corrina Briggs who joined us in August.

A fourth Berthing Officer was recruited to join our team and the successful applicant Jan Ridd commenced working with us in September. Jan is an experienced sailor, competing in the 09/10 Clipper Round the World Yacht Race.

If that wasn't change enough, Becky will be off on maternity leave shortly. But don't worry, Claire Flowers will still be holding down the fort with Corrina to assist with all of your berthing enquires.

Corrina and Jan have both settled quickly into harbour life! Read all about each staff member on our website: : <http://www.weymouth-harbour.co.uk/aboutus/>



New Harbour Consultative Group and Harbour Management Board Members

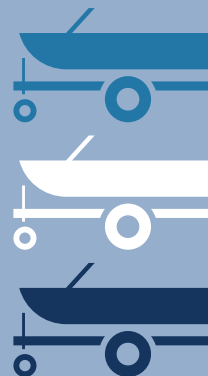
Harbour Consultative Group:

- **Kathy Claydon** – Interests of Boat owners using Council owned Inner Harbour non-commercial moorings including chain and sinker moorings (**Dave McCune** selected as the substitute)
- **Dave Caddy** – Harbour Traders
- **Steve Goodwin** – Passenger Carrying Vessels
- **Terry Studley** - Fishermen

Friendly Reminders...

- All vessels underway in Weymouth Harbour and its approaches should monitor VHF Channel 12.
- Conditions of Berthing Third Schedule para 2.13 states that no fixings to, or changes, are to be made to the infrastructure without permission from the Harbour Master; this includes fendering on pontoons and cleats. If something is not right or does not meet the needs or is broken, the Harbour Office should be informed so that it can be investigated in a controlled manner with a long term view. If modifications are made without permission they may be corrected by the Harbour Office and the cost re-charged to the Owner.
- Waste oil should not be left beside dustbins. Please contact the Harbour Office to arrange disposal.

Thank You



We are investigating offering a "no frills" boats on trailer storage facility at the Ferry Terminal. Details and prices to be firmed up but if you are interested, please talk to us.