



## HARBOUR MASTERS REPORT TO HHAC July 2014

### 1 Operational report

#### April

- Stones and gravel thrown onto the vessel San Pablo. It would appear that three young girls were the culprits as they were caught in the act by me and the DHM on the following day. The girls were given a warning and sent off site
- Minor oil spill reported in the Harbour EA were alerted and informed that HHAL were dealing with it. EA ref 01225818
- Special Branch made a routine visit to the harbour.
- Report of a small unlit vessel in the navigational channel near the Cocklebank IFCA informed
- Report of vandalism to the Canoe club changing block. Club instructed to inform the police.
- Life belts removed from housings on North quay lower walk.
- St Agnes Surf life rescue boat launched for training.
- Scaffolding erected for roof work to the stores either side of the harbour office.
- Two shot gulls recovered from North quay Gravel area: one dead, RSPCA collected the other.
- 4 Seven Beach survey of Porthkidney

#### May

- Fines washed away from behind the stonework on bank opposite the harbour office Carillion on site to repair
- Gate to the old factory site on Lelant Quay damaged
- Female paddle boarder removed from the navigable channel
- Complaint from Mrs Sue Sayer of Jet skies harassing seals. This was outside of HHAL jurisdiction those concerned were asked to contact her and the problem was resolved.
- 7 – 8 road cones thrown into the harbour.
- Slipway closed due to adverse weather conditions.
- Unserviceable Outer pole light replaced
- Inspection of Aids to Navigation by Trinity House
- The lock was removed from the North Quay gate; replaced
- Time line photography of the navigational channel.
- Ocean Enterprise (Sea Tricity) arrived re wave hub work
- Report of stolen lobsters from the shell fish pontoon
- The No swimming / jumping signage was removed from the North Quay steps by persons unknown.
- North Quay gate padlock and retaining wire cut and removed police informed crime number CR-075784 -14
- Possible attempted break in at the harbour Office. The security company who monitor the alarm reported at 0030 that the intruder alarm had activated. I attended but found no signs of forced entry reset the alarm and returned home.
- Complaint from a mooring holder that youths are on the boats.

- Complaint from a member of the public that a gang of youths at the North Quay seating area were abusive and intimidating. I attended but they had already left the area.
- HHAL received formal notification from the MMO that grant funding for pontoons on East Quay had been approved.
- Following the consultation re Harbour Directions at the April HHAC a formal application was made to DfT for Hayle to be designated with the power to make Harbour directions. Acknowledgement of the application has been received and an answer is expected in the Autumn

## **June**

- Yacht Niki arrived from St Ives for engine repairs
- Lifebelt housing pulled from its fixings on the North Quay by youths and thrown to one side
- Complaint from mooring holder who was trying to access his boat by vehicle that a young girl dressed only in her under garments had obviously been jumping into the harbour and had made an accusation of a sexual nature at him when he asked her to move off the quay. Mooring holder instructed to inform the police.
- UK Boarder Force made a routine visit to the harbour
- Tombstoners removed from North Quay
- Fish Survey Carnsew pool
- ING approved the purchase of a harbour boat
- Jet Ski has been sold
- An inflatable which launched from Hayle suffered an engine failure in the Bay and was towed to St Ives by the inshore lifeboat.
- MV Ocean enterprise wave hub maintenance vessel entered Hayle
- MV Devotion wave hub survey vessel entered Hayle
- Criminal damage to the old stable block. Boarding torn down and life belt damaged police informed.

## **HM Report**

### **1 Navigable channel**

The channel has realigned itself naturally but there is still some siltation that restricts the size of vessel that can enter the harbour however the risk to users is now ALARP.

For reasons of safety and available quay space it was necessary for me to refuse entry to a vessel that was undertaking maintenance work on the wave hub site that I considered too large for the harbour L40m B14m D2.5 unladen therefore I arranged for the vessel to operate from Padstow.

### **2. North Quay Car park**

The social problems that are occurring on the North Quay at night are of concern to the authority. Following a discussion with PC Trevorrow it is my intention to make the North quay parking for permit holders only and remove the pay and display. This will enable the gate to be permanently locked. Warning signage will be put in place; any non permit holder that does gain entry and is locked in will need to contact Llawnroc Parking services to be released.

**3 Slipway**

The authority is currently losing income from vessels that launch during the weekday evenings. I am exploring the possibility of placing a pay and display at the slipway to capture this lost income. The machine will require the vehicle registration or vessels name to be entered and a webcam will record all slipping activity. Llawncroc parking will monitor the slipway and issue a penalty notice to those who have launched and parked without purchasing or displaying a slipway launching ticket. This system will also help Ken and I to better manage our time when on duty as we will not be tied to the slipway.

**4 Harbour boat**

The authority has sold the Jet Ski and acquired a vessel that can be used in a policing or maintenance role.



**5 Harbour Directions**

I have submitted an application to the DfT for Hayle to be designated with the power to give harbour directions. The application has been acknowledged and would expect a decision in the autumn.

The purpose of these powers is to provide a mechanism for the harbour authority to better regulate vessel movements within its jurisdiction so as to enhance safety and reduce risks associated with both commercial and leisure vessel operations.

**6 Life Belts**

There have been several incidents where intentional damage to lifebelts has occurred not only have they been thrown into the harbour but the housings have been pulled off their mountings. One housing has been so badly damaged that it will have to be replaced. Police have been informed.

**7 Seasonal Youth Problems**

There have been numerous reports from vessel owners of youths going onto vessels and also complaints from public of abuse when walking along the North Quay. I have advised both boat owners and public to report any incidents to the police who are working closely with the harbour authority.

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