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St Mary's Harbour Marine Safety Plan Review 2022

In January 2021, St. Mary's Harbour Authority (SMHA) released its latest Marine Safety Plan. This plan will run until January 2024, and this is the first annual review. The targets are split into two sections.

1. Ongoing targets for the duration of the plan and beyond.
2. Specific targets to achieve within the timeline of the plan.

Ongoing Targets for SMHA

MSMS

Ongoing review on the MSMS Documentation with a continuous aim to refine content for ease of use and understanding and maintain compliance with the Port Marine Safety Code.

In March 2022, Captain Tim Charlesworth (Designated Person) conducted an audit and offered assurance of continued compliance with the Code via the certificate of compliance. SMHAs documentation is reviewed annually with updates logged in the MSMS amendment diary.

Pilotage

Provide a pilotage service of well-trained, qualified and authorised pilots that is supported by the authorisation of pilotage exemptions to similar standards, resulting in no serious incidents caused by errors made by SMHA Pilots.

IN 2022 there was one incident report issued as a result of a pilotage operation. No SMHA pilots were in error and indeed the incident highlighted the need for pilotage. Three unrestricted pilots currently operate with a restricted pilot due to start in 2023.

Emergency Preparedness & Response

Establish and maintain a schedule of regular training and exercises for implementing emergency plans and oil spill procedures.

Run and/or attend exercises with external stakeholders such as local authorities and the emergency services.

Regular drills and training were undertaken by harbour staff for fire, oil spill and security. Training dates are logged on Harbour Assist and training requirements are reviewed at the start of each year.

Environmental

Continue to research and use environmentally aware practises associated with harbour operations in order to reduce our environmental impacts.

A new electric outboard was ordered in February 2023. The main benefit of this is to allow SMHA staff to advertise the operation of an environmentally friendly engine and also help to reduce their carbon footprint. A separate, more fuel efficient engine was fitted to the Minke which again will help to reduce fuel consumption and reduce carbon output. SMHA continue to use seawater to clean the off-island quays using a pressure washer with a sea suction hose. Rainwater, collected in 1000ltr IBCs, is used on St. Mary's quay for step cleaning and general cleaning around the quay.

Training

Provide harbour employees with the necessary training to undertake their roles and responsibilities

SMHA continue to ensure staff are trained to carry out their roles in accordance with the training policy. An annual review is undertaken of staff qualifications where training requirements are identified.

Specific Targets for SMHA 2021-2023

- *Obtain an approved MCA Oil Spill Response Plan.*

IN 2022 SMHA purchased its own oil skimmer, pump and ancillary equipment. This was matched by the MCA who provided a second skimmer along with training to be able to use it. Discussions with the MCA and ISAS are ongoing with the aim of progressing the Tier 2 assessment in 2023.

- *Achieve MSRD compliance – through annual external audit*

There was no external audit from MSRD in 2022 however, Karen Sawyer (MSRD Compliance Manager) is booked to visit and audit SMHA in May 2023.

SMHA conducted an internal audit in October 2022 which was sent to MSRD.

The Port Facility Security Plan (PFSP) certificate remains valid and is due for renewal in October 2024.

Three drills and one tabletop exercise were undertaken in 2022 along with one Port Security Committee meeting held.

- *No major incidents, serious injuries or serious pollution within the harbour.*

There were 12 reports (Near Miss or Incident) in 2022, none of which resulted in serious injury or pollution.

- *Implementation of additional transit lights for entry into the harbour.*

Unfortunately, there has been no progress with this item in 2022.

- *Regular stakeholder and public consultation – at least 3 H.U.G. & N.A.P. meetings per year.*

Three H.U.G. meetings took place in 2022. One N.A.P. meeting took place to discuss the pilotage incident of the Hanseatic Inspiration. Regular social media updates (Twitter and Facebook) took place throughout 2022 updating customers.

- *Reduce mooring equipment failures within the harbour to zero.*

There were no mooring failures in 2022

- *Receive 100% returns from private mooring holders regarding equipment and inspection details.*

In 2022 all private mooring inspection reports were received.