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Annual Meeting 2022



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Tim Dewing – Chairman Introduction and Welcome



Vision:

To manage, protect and enhance Dart Harbour whilst supporting the local

economy and community





Agenda

Introduction Financial Update

- **Executive Briefing**
 - Introduction
 - 2021 Achievements
 - Safety Briefing
 - Pilotage & Shipping
 - Consultation & Feedback
 - 2022 Planning

Stakeholder Engagement Strategy Update 2022+ Questions

Julian Distin Tim Dewing

Tim Dewing, Chairman

Tony Davis, Board Member

Paul Britton, Harbour Master / CEO





Introductions



Tim Dewing Chair John Milsom Vice Chair



Melanie Lessels

Tony Davis

Mike Burden

Julian Distin

Distin Anne-marie Coyle

Joanna Poulton Paul Britton





Context / Overview

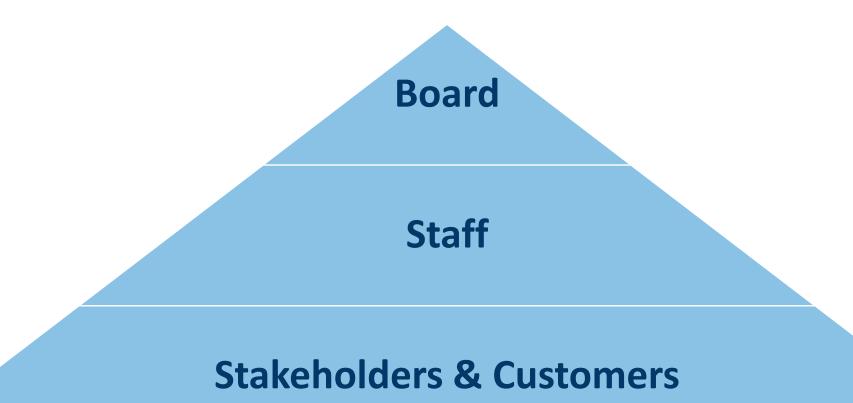
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- Safe
- Solvent
- Sustainable
- Staff
- Stakeholders





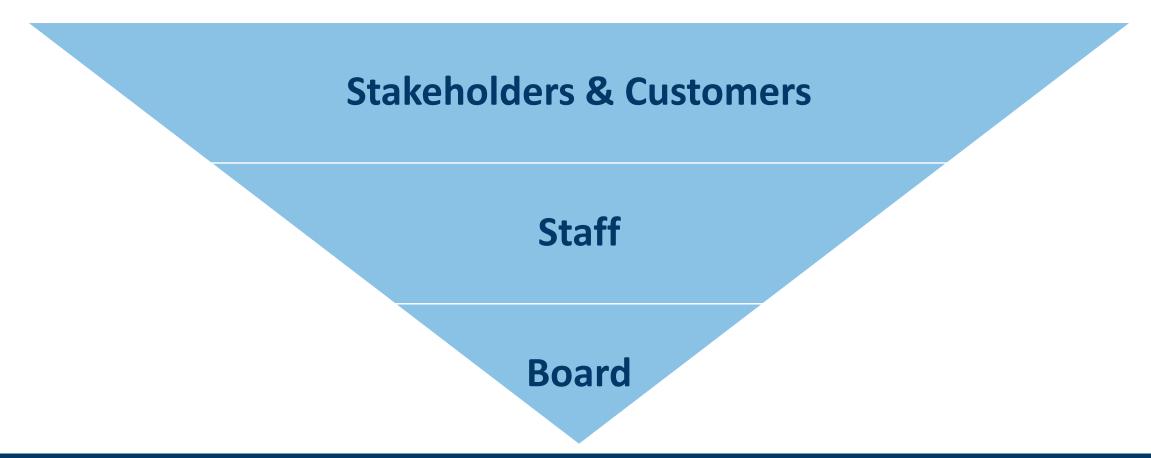
Culture Change







New Culture







Tony Davis Board Member – Finance





Financial Performance 2021

Dart Harbour weathered the Pandemic and managed to generate an operating surplus and preserve its long-term financial well-being

- Income of £1,790k
- > Only mooring fees were increased in 2021 and by only 0.5%
- Operating surplus reinvested in harbour
- Net Assets of £2.6m+ healthy and stable
- The cash reserve was maintained at above £600k
- > Pension costs are manageable, with the Defined Benefit Scheme well funded
- > Dart Harbour is investing substantially in harbour infrastructure (£200k+)





Paul Britton Harbour Master/CEO

Personal Introduction Hopes & Dreams – Why I applied







2021 Key Achievements

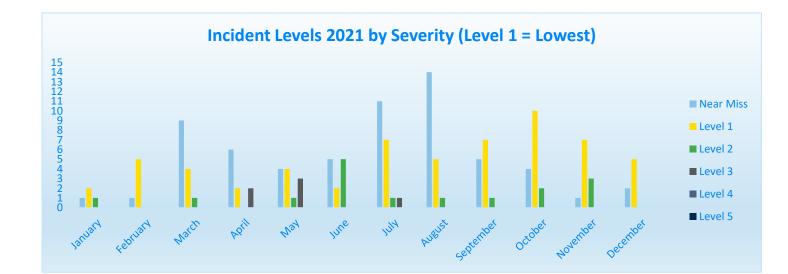
- KP & DC pontoon upgrades
- New RNLI/DHNA SUP/Kayak Safety campaign
- Post Covid restrictions restart resulting in a very busy summer season
- Pilot Boat Mallard and new yacht Taxi Ares introduced
- 16,277 Visitor nights (up from 12,437 in 2020) and greater than pre pandemic levels
- Successful audits by Internal and External Auditors and the General Lighthouse Authority
- River team brought up to full strength





2021 Safety Statistics and Trends

- No of incidents reported = 145 (down from 201 in 2020)
- 26 incidents of Speeding,
- 3 physical injuries,
- 8 machinery failures,
- 9 pollution incidents,
- 5 thefts,
- Near miss reporting clearly greater in the summer months than in the winter. This is largely down to personal paddle sports such as SUP's and Kayaks.



Please help us to help you by reporting any incidents or near

misses via our online reporting link on our website.







2021 Pilotage / Shipping Movements

- 2021 saw a return to Cruise Ships in the Dart including regular visitors such as;
 - Hebridean Princess,
 - Island Sky,
 - Sea Cloud 2
- In 2021, 14 vessels over 50m length over all visited the port. This included a mix of Cruise Ships and Super Yachts.
- 2022 sees the return of cruise ships increase ever more with 11 cruise ships currently booked in including;
 - Ponant Lines 'L'Austral' and
 - Hurtigruten's 'Maud'









2022 Forward Planning

- Completion of KP pontoon
- Replacement of Yacht Club Pontoon
- Recruitment of new Assistant Harbour Master Compliance
- 3 new patrol ribs being delivered
- Assistant Harbour Master updates
- Organisationally more focussed on stakeholders and service
- Mooring fees increased by ~4% and Harbour dues by ~5% in order to maintain our service levels.





Top 25 answers

Surveymonkey **Stakeholder** Consultation

60 50 40 30 20 10 0 Broaden Appeal communications Moorings Policy Sustainability Facilities 130 responses Dart Harbour Staff / Board... Visitor to the Dart Local Resident Member of a yacht / sailing /... Dart Harbour Authority berth... Dartmouth Angler 📃 Wild swimmer Stakeholder Group Commercial river user Small boat owner / crew **Kingswear** Yacht owner / Crew

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Scrubbing grid Launching / slipways Accessibility Toilets / showers **Tender landings** Use it or lose it' policy Local's priority Up river moorings More visitors berths More walk ashore berths **Reduce Waiting lists** Support for businesses Paddle sports Water quality Net Zero Carbon Litter / Waste Management Maintain the character of... Dredging Speed Limit enforcement

Carry on the good work

Safety

Information provision

More welcoming

Electric / water

Equipment storage



UK

Devon

Stoke

Totnes.

Torbay

Corn, Ash

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Key Areas of Focus



Typical Comments

Making the harbour a more welcoming place for existing and visiting leisure boat users Balance access and protection of the unique character of town and river Ensuring accessibility for all including disabilities and different types of craft Better facilities for the public to get access to the water Where can 6m ribs park for an hour or two at Dartmouth? To shorten the waiting list by providing more facilities would be good. Pollution from yacht owners. how much sewage enters the water? Ensuring boating is as affordable as possible for users Extend yacht taxi service in terms of hours, capacity & seasons Decarbonising the Dart - proactively 'nudging' all boat owners towards electric propulsion DHNA should not be money making or exploitative of the beautiful natural environment which is for the people's visual pleasure and enjoyment An educational system for paddle boarders and kayakers who don't seem to know the river rules Publish Online monthly river/estuary news Staff are always helpful





Julian Distin Board Member

Stakeholder Engagement





Environment, Stakeholders & Sustainability

Stakeholder Engagement

Commercial Users Group Association of Dart River Users Club (ADRUC) Communities Group Dart Estuary Forum

Illustration of Live Topics

- SWW Pilot Study Water Quality
- Totnes-Stoke Gabriel Cycle Path
- AONB Biosecurity Plan
- Moorings Policy
- DSC Running Moorings
- Higher Ferry Slip
- North Embankment & Double Steps
- Etc.....



What is Sustainability? Meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs (assuming finite resources)





Tim Dewing - Chairman



Strategy – Planning for the Future





Strategy Development Process



Consensus based strategic plan – a clear basis for regular review



Vision, Mission, Pillars

Mission	To manage, protect, and enhance Dart Harbour whilst supporting the local economy and community					
Purpose	 Operate Dart Harbour safely as a Trust Port in accordance with the Port Marine Safety Code Conserve and enhance Dart Harbour as an area of Outstanding Natural beauty that benefits the local community Manage Dart Harbour in a way that balances the needs of all stakeholders 					
Values	Safety, Teamwork, Accountability					
Enablers	 Build a proud, skilled and motivated Harbour team, committed to Dart Harbour's mission and values Develop strong, regular and meaningful engagement with all of Dart Harbour's stakeholders Manage Dart Harbour's finances prudently, always being solvent and provisioning and investing for the long term High quality systems, processes and standards of governance 					
Strategic Pillars	 Safe Solvent Sustainable & Environmental Staff Stakeholders 					





Projects & Initiatives – some examples

- Stakeholders
 - Improve DH engagement with stakeholders
 - Support local businesses
 - Youth Development Support for Education and Training
- Infrastructure
 - North Embankment plan including double steps, scrubbing grid, slipway
 - Moorings Policy review
- Environment
 - Net Zero Carbon Emissions on the river
 - Water Quality improvement
 - Environmental Protection
- **Sustainability** (meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs assumes finite resources!)





Time Frame /Pillars	Safe	Sustainable	Solvent	Staff	Stakeholders
Very Short Term (3 months)	 Engage with community to make DH an exceptionally safe area for work and leisure. Life jacket campaign. Install LJ lockers at Hoodown Work with RNLI, Coastwatch, RYA Dartmouth Swimming Pool Water safety campaign Familiarisation with Port Marine Code. On-going 	 Test water quality and publish results. Encourage mooring owners to reduce waste. Keep a watching brief on all development. Test for micro plastics and publish results. Create list and monitor of vessels which could cause an environmental incident. 	 Seek partnerships to co- fund projects. Bid for Environmental monies. 	 Team building. Review of staff skills Identify any gaps and how to fill them Embed customer care ethos at heart of DH 	 Communicate Ensure that moorings are not laid in the more remote areas and are not increased. Identify the areas of concern for parish and town councils. Encourage and educate individuals using the Dart, kayakers, SuPs wild water swimmers to see the DH as the" go to"
Short Term (12 months)	 Investigate and evaluate safe and accessible landing places Work with S.Hams to ensure they maintain their facilities. Re-open shower block at Dittisham 	 Work with AoNB to preserve the unique environment. Educate river users about safe guarding wild life. Organise scheme with licensed operators to educate public. Support beach litter cleans Install more pump out facilities. 	• Carry out cost analysis of the different aspects of DH business income and insure costs are identified and allocated to the user or it is clearly agreed to support non-income generating areas.	 Invest heavily in apprenticeship scheme Investigate appropriate in- service training for all personnel Create career pathways. Re-introduce volunteer patrol. 	 Consult and work with Stakeholders. Engage with Stakeholders over Mooring Policy. Engage with Stakeholders to ensure that DH policies and NPs are working together. Work with Disability Sailing Develop scheme to encourage boat owners who no longer use their vessel, to give up mooring.





Time Frame /Pillars	Safe	Sustainable	Solvent	Staff	Stakeholders
Medium Term (5 years)	 Develop Higher ferry slip for launching and recovery. 	 Install solar panels or water heat pump at Hoodown. Install shower block for staff and river users at Hoodown Investigate what MCZ will mean to river users. Work towards reduction in emissions and green practices. Work with engine providers to encourage use of electric engines for public and DH 	 Operate a rolling replacement policy for pontoons, moorings and building fabric. 	 Work with SD College to become a Centre of Excellence. Offer and support staff onto level 4 quals. 	 Ensure Stakeholder groups are fit for purpose . Educate Stakeholder groups to understand the focus and aims of DH. Encourage Stakeholders to bring information from the wider community to inform DH decision making
Long Term (20 years)	 Continue to work and plan with the safety of staff and river users foremost in any decision making. . 	 Keep a watching brief on Environmental policy and ensure that DH is ahead of the game. Work to preserve the River Dart for future generations River Dart to be Net Zero emissions 	 Consider the location of Harbour Office and if rising water levels/extreme weather events will adversely affect the operation. 	 Plan strategically to introduce the skills and new technologies required for the organisation over the next 20 years. Revise and review regularly 	 Review and consult the needs and wishes of the Stakeholder Groups and wider public







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