

Meeting: Harbour Committee

Date: 5 February 2019

Wards Affected: All

Report Title: Port Marine Safety Code Compliance Update

Is the decision a key decision? No

When does the decision need to be implemented? N/A

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1. Proposal and Introduction

- 1.1 In November 2018 a Port Marine Safety Code (PMSC) compliance audit was conducted by the Designated Person (DP). The audit identified a number of areas of concern and the DP concluded that they were “not yet in a position to provide assurance that the Tor Bay Harbour Authority is compliant with the requirements of the [PMSC]” and recommended a 3-month grace period within which the high and medium risk recommendations should be addressed.
- 1.2 This report updates members with the progress made to date.

2. Reason for Proposal and associated financial commitment

- 2.1 The Harbour Committee act as the Duty Holder for the purposes of the PMSC and are individually and collectively responsible for compliance with the Code, as described in the Committee’s Terms of Reference. Furthermore it is a requirement for harbours to triennially confirm to the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) that they are compliant with the PMSC. The Committee would thus wish to be apprised of progress made against the issues identified during the November 2018 audit.
- 2.2 There are no financial commitments arising from this report.

3. Recommendation(s) / Proposed Decision

- 3.1 That the Harbour Committee note the progress made against the issues identified during the November 2018 PMSC audit.

Appendices

Appendix 1: PMSC Compliance Audit Continuous Improvement Plan 2018/19

Background Documents

Department for Transport, 2012 (updated 2016): *Port Marine Safety Code*,
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/port-marine-safety-code>

DfT, 2018: *Port Marine Operations: good practice guide*,
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/a-guide-to-good-practice-on-port-marine-operations>

DfT, 2018: *Ports Good Governance Guidance*,
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/good-governance-guidance-for-ports>