Friday, 11 September 2020

#### HARBOUR COMMITTEE

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Monday, 21 September 2020

commencing at 5.30 pm

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Councillor Carter Councillor Mills

Councillor Dart Councillor O'Dwyer

#### **External Advisors**

Mr Blazeby, Mr Day, Mr Ellis and Mr Stewart

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### HARBOUR COMMITTEE AGENDA

#### 1. Apologies

To receive apologies for absence, including notifications of any changes to the membership of the Committee.

#### 2. Declarations of interest

(a) To receive declarations of non pecuniary interests in respect of items on this agenda

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#### 3. Urgent items

To consider any other items that the Chairman decides are urgent.

#### 4. Appointment of External Harbour Advisor

To approve the appointment of an External Advisor.

#### 5. Tor Bay Harbour Business Plan 2020-21

(Pages 5 - 21)

To consider a report that sets out the Tor Bay Harbour Business Plan 2020-21.

6. Review of the Tor Bay Harbour Authority Asset Management Plan
To note a report that sets out a review of the Tor Bay Harbour Authority

(Pages 22 - 31)

Asset Management Plan.

#### 7. Tor Bay Harbour: Operational Moorings and Facilities Policy

(Pages 32 -

To note the Tor Bay Harbour Operational Moorings and Facilities Policy.

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#### 8. Tor Bay Harbour Arts Policy

(Pages 57 -

To consider a report that seeks approval of the Tor Bay Harbour Arts

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Policy.

2019/20.

# 9. Tor Bay Harbour Authority Revenue Outturn 2019/20 (Pages 66 - To note a report on the Tor Bay Harbour Authority Revenue Outturn for 72)

# **10. Tor Bay Harbour Budget Monitoring 2020-21** (Pages 73 - To note a report that provides an update on the overall budgetary 79)

position for Tor Bay Harbour Authority as at August 2020 compared against the budget approved on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

11. Port Marine Safety Code and Health & Safety Matters
To note the report. (Pages 80 - 82)

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# Agenda Item 5



Meeting: Harbour Committee Date: 21 September 2020

Wards Affected: All

Report Title: Tor Bay Harbour Business Plan 2020-21

Is the decision a key decision? No

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

Cabinet Member Contact Details: Not a Cabinet function

Supporting Officer Contact Details: Adam Parnell, Harbour Master, 01803 853321,

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#### 1. Proposal and Introduction

1.1 This report presents a proposed harbour business plan for 2020/21.

#### 2. Reason for Proposal and associated financial commitment

- 2.1 The DfT recommends that harbour authorities publish a business plan to ensure their long-term sustainability. The proposed business plan for 2020/21 (Appendix 1) is predicated on the budget agreed by the Harbour Committee on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019; there are no new budgetary commitments as a result of this report.
- 3. Recommendation(s) / Proposed Decision
- 3.1 That the Harbour Committee approve the Harbour Business Plan.

#### Appendices

Appendix 1: Harbour Business Plan 2020/21.

#### **Background Documents**

**DfT Ports Good Governance Guidance** 

#### **Report Clearance**

Report clearance:	Reviewed & approved by:	Date:
Chief Executive	Anne-Marie Bond	
Monitoring Officer	Amanda Barlow	
Chief Finance Officer	Martin Phillips	
Interim Director Place	Kevin Mowat	

Section	1: Background Information		
1.	What is the proposal / issue?		
	1.1 The Tor Bay Harbour Authority adheres to the recommendation made in the Department for Transports 'Ports Good Governance Guidance' document that it publish an annual business report to ensure the long-term viability of the harbour undertaking. This is updated and adopted annually by the harbour committee.		
2.	What is the current situation?		
	2.1 In 2013 the harbour authority published its Port Masterplan, setting out its long-term strategic vision for the future direction of Tor Bay Harbour. In 2019 this was brought up to date with the publication of the Port Masterplan Addendum, which considered the next 5 years in greater depth.		
	2.2 The Harbour Business Plan for 2020-21 articulates how the <i>Addendum's</i> objectives will be progressed over the next 12 months. Where the <i>Masterplan</i> and the <i>Addendum</i> are strategic in nature, the Business Plan focuses on the operational actionable detail.		
3.	What options have been considered?		
	The following options have been considered:		
	<ul> <li>Not to publish an annual Business Plan and instead use the strategic guidance encapsulated in the Addendum. This does not provide sufficient actionable detail and is thus not recommended.</li> </ul>		
4.	What is the relationship with the priorities within the Partnership Memorandum and the Council's Principles?		
	<ul> <li>This project directly contributes to the following objectives:</li> <li>A Thriving Economy.</li> <li>Thriving People and Communities.</li> <li>A Climate Fit for the Future</li> </ul>		
	It also ensures that the harbour authority:  • Uses reducing resources to best effect  • Reduces demand through prevention and innovation  • Employs an integrated and joined-up approach with the wider Council and external bodies		
5.	How does this proposal contribute towards the Council's responsibilities as corporate parents?		
	No significant effect.		

6.	How does this proposal/issue tackle poverty, deprivation and vulnerability?
	No significant effect.
7.	How does this proposal tackle inequalities?
	No significant effect.
8.	Who will be affected by this proposal and who do you need to consult with? How will the Council engage with the community? How can the Council empower the community?
	Consultation is proactively undertaken through dialogue with the harbour forums.

Section 2: Implications and Impact Assessment		
9.	What are the financial and legal implications?	
	There are no financial or legal implications arising as a result of this report	
10.	What are the risks?	
	Without a business plan there is a risk that coherence of activities is sub- optimal, resulting in the published objectives not being met	
11.	Public Services Value (Social Value) Act 2012	
	Not applicable	
12.	What evidence / data / research have you gathered in relation to this proposal?	
	The harbour liaison forums have been consulted on this report	
13.	What are key findings from the consultation you have carried out?	
	No significant changes	
14.	Amendments to Proposal / Mitigating Actions	

None



Business Plan 2020/21

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Appendix 1 - Plan of Tor Bay Harbour

#### 1. Executive Summary

Torbay Council, as the statutory Harbour Authority, manages Tor Bay harbour through its harbour committee, which is a committee of the full council. It oversees the strategic management of the harbour and ensures the safe and efficient operation of the harbour estate.

In particular it sets the harbour's budget, its fees and charges, and fulfils the *duty holder* role for the purposes of the Port Marine Safety Code. This is undertaken within the framework of council policy with special attention being given to the aspirations set out within the *Port Masterplan*.

There is a strong commitment to continually improve its services to its stakeholders, to develop its role in supporting the local economy and as a focus both for the local community and visitors to the Bay.

#### 2. Introduction

In operational terms the harbour authority controls over 22 miles of coastline and 16 square miles of open sea. Appendix 1 show the limits of Tor Bay Harbour.

Bay-wide harbour controls permit the regulation of shipping, control over pollution risks, management of the harbour estate and zoning of small craft activity. Marine operations regularly dovetail effortlessly with beach, coast and environmental issues, often with a common aim.

Tor Bay, as a single harbour entity which encapsulates its 3 enclosed ports, is well suited to best serve the needs of all the relevant stakeholders.

**Vision** - 'To ensure safe and efficient harbour operations within an improving commercial and natural environment'.

#### "Better Services - Safer Harbour - Enhanced Environment"

**Mission Statement** – 'to provide high quality facilities and services that improve the physical safety and natural environment of Tor Bay Harbour'.

To deliver this vision, the harbour authority continuously challenges the way it delivers its services to ensure that the most cost effective and efficient approach is adopted. Wherever possible the harbour authority works with the private sector, external agencies and other organisations to deliver coherent high quality services. A well-trained, motivated and well-equipped harbour and beaches team is central to the delivery of these objectives.

Facilities within the harbour are provided for residents, tourists, day visitors, clubs, organisations and businesses throughout Torbay. The extent to which individual facilities serve different user groups and individuals is dependent upon the facility type and operation. The service is responsive to the unique make up of Torbay's resident and visiting population.

Our main customers and stakeholders include:

Resident and visiting commercial fishing vessels and their crews;

- Brixham Trawler Agents, fish merchants & fish processors;
- Visiting commercial vessels;
- Owners and users of private pleasure and recreational vessels;
- Owners, skippers and crew of certified passenger carrying pleasure craft, including chartered angling vessels, dive boats, heritage boats, etc;
- Residents, tourists and visitors;
- Commercial marina operators;
- Emergency services including the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI);
- Regulatory bodies such as:
  - Marine Management Organisation (MMO);
  - Devon & Severn Inshore Fisheries & Conservation Authority (IFCA);
  - Maritime & Coastguard Agency (MCA);
  - UK Hydrographic Office (UKHO);
- Organisations involved in waterborne sports and activities (e.g. Yacht and sailing clubs, training organisations, Scouts, Sea Cadets, divers, rowing clubs, youth groups etc);
- Marine & Towage Services Group (contracted pilotage service provider);
- Businesses and charitable organisations, including various individuals and groups providing entertainment and events on the harbour estate;

#### 3. SWOT Analysis

Strengths	Weaknesses		
<ul> <li>Harbour is a recognised port of refuge and provides shelter from prevailing conditions, with good anchorages for ships</li> <li>4<sup>th</sup> largest fishing port in UK with excellent reputation for quality</li> <li>The harbour is a developing cruise vessel destination</li> <li>Outstanding natural environment with variety of designations eg UNESCO geo-park</li> <li>A vibrant and commercially viable harbour estate abutting the waterfront</li> <li>A single governance regime encompassing the 3 enclosed harbours and the Bay</li> <li>Comprehensive provision of leisure and recreational boating facilities, including a number of active yacht clubs</li> <li>Financial self-sufficiency of harbour</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Lean harbour staffing levels limit services offered (eg patrol boat)</li> <li>Lack of waterfront space hampering further harbour business growth, particularly commercial fishing industry</li> <li>Aging critical infrastructure eg piers, quays, mooring ground chains, slipways etc</li> <li>Harbour infrastructure is vulnerable to effects of climate change</li> <li>Infrastructure &amp; water depth are insufficient to accept cargo/ cruise vessels alongside</li> <li>Lack of vessel repair and lift-out facilities</li> <li>Road network congestion in high season</li> <li>No rail connections to the enclosed ports</li> <li>Paucity of car parking</li> <li>Shortage of maritime skills</li> </ul>		
Opportunities	Threats		
<ul> <li>Future UK-EU trade deal may provide opportunities eg additional landing quota/TAC and greater numbers of MFV fish landings</li> <li>Rising political interest in the fishing industry</li> <li>The Bay has potential to be an aquaculture 'centre of excellence'</li> <li>Growth in the cruising and 'green' tourism sectors</li> <li>Feasibility study into installation of a floating breakwater in Brixham</li> <li>Potential for multi-storey parking in Brixham</li> <li>Links to regional Higher and Further Education establishments</li> <li>External development funding opportunities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Increasing size of financial contribution to council's General Fund effectively prohibits harbour authority ability to fund harbour development projects</li> <li>Climate change and coastal erosion</li> <li>Unknown consequences of Brexit on fishing and tourism industries</li> <li>Increasingly onerous legislative and regulatory environment could stifle development</li> <li>Competition from other harbours/ fishing ports/ cruise destinations</li> <li>Change in fishing patterns</li> <li>Unpredictability of fish toll income post BREXIT implementation period</li> </ul>		

Note: unusually, BREXIT appears as an opportunity and a threat because there is presently insufficient detail to identify the risks and opportunities that the future UK-EU trade deal (or lack of) may occasion.

#### 4. Compliance with the Ports Good Governance Guidance

The Ports Good Governance Guidance (DfT, 2018) applies to all statutory harbour authorities in England. While not legally binding, DfT expects harbour authorities to implement its principles, *inter alia*:

- the need for port businesses to be headed by an effective board which is collectively responsible for long-term success of the business;
- effective stakeholder engagement to improve understanding of the harbour;
- operating in an open, transparent and accountable way, making a range of information available to stakeholders about their organisation and activities;
- ensuring marine safety;
- environmental conservancy

The harbour authority complies with these principles through its harbour committee, which manages and governs the harbour and its enclosed ports within the limits articulated in the council's policy framework, including the setting of the harbour's budget, fees and charges, and capital expenditure.

The relationship between the council (the owning authority) and the harbour committee (the managing body) is detailed in published terms of reference and the Council's constitution. In effect, the Tor Bay Harbour Authority is an internally commissioned service.

The harbour committee is also the Port Marine Safety Code 'duty holder'.

Two stakeholder fora (the Brixham harbour liaison forum, and the Torquay/Paignton harbour liaison forum) give advice on operational matters and provide a conduit on such matters to the harbour committee. Both meet prior to each committee meeting where their meeting minutes are discussed.

The government may provide further policy advice to municipal ports in future years but for now Torbay Council has created an accountable, expert and responsive form of governance and the harbour management has an appropriate level of independence and flexibility.

#### 5. Strategic Objectives and Core Values

#### **Tor Bay Harbour Strategic Objectives**

To maintain, protect and enhance the harbour whilst at the same time deriving the full range of sustainable environmental, economic and social benefits outlined in the Tor Bay Harbour Port Masterplan.

#### **Harbour Authority Priorities**

- 1. Maintain safety
- 2. Improve harbour infrastructure
- 3. Improve customer experience
- 4. Stewardship of the harbour's built and natural environment
- 5. Engage with the community and harbour users
- 6. Encourage local prosperity

#### Links to Corporate and priorities

This plan contributes directly and indirectly to the targeted actions set out in the Council's *Partnership Memorandum:* 

- Thriving people and communities
- A thriving economy
- A climate fit for the future

#### 6. Priorities, Outcomes and Actions

#### **Council Ambitions – Thriving people and communities**

#### **Priority 1: Maintain Safety**

#### **Outcomes sought:**

- Fulfil the council's statutory obligations as a Competent Harbour Authority
- Manage safety of navigation, and overall harbour safety, through the enforcement of applicable byelaws and appropriate legislation

• Comply with the Port Marine Safety Code through the use of a robust Marine Safety Management System

ACTIONS	Timescale	Who
Pass annual audit / inspection from Trinity House and file quarterly reports	Quarterly	Harbour Master
Review and exercise the Tor Bay Harbour Emergency Response Plan	April	Harbour Master
Issue local Notices to Mariners and enforce Harbour Byelaws	As required	DHM
Manage a seasonal beach / harbour response craft	May to September	DHM Torquay
Operate the Safety Management System Improvement Plan	November	All
Audit the Safety Management System and agree an Improvement Plan	December	Harbour Master

# Outcomes sought:

### **Priority 2: Improve Harbour Infrastructure**

- Investment to fund infrastructure improvement projects
- Limit or reverse consequences of infrastructure aging

ACTIONS	Timescale	Who
Develop robust business case for Brixham fish market expansion and northern arm	March-May	Harbour Master,
breakwater and seek central government support if possible	iviai Ci i-iviay	Business Manager
Undertake limited dredging campaign on approaches to Brixham MFV basin	May-July	Harbour Master
Improve fendering on MFV berths	September	AHM Brixham
Engage with TDA and EA to secure funding guarantees for pier and quay wall	funding guarantees for pier and quay wall  Ongoing	
repairs	Origonity	Harbour Master

#### **Priority 3: Improve Customer Experience**

#### **Outcomes sought:**

- Maintain and improve the quality of service that we provide to our customers
- Tailored services that meet the changing needs of our customers
- Marine and harbour facilities made available to as many users as possible
- Delivery of a professional and caring service, that is fit for purpose
- Courteous and fair treatment of our customers
- Undertake our duties in a fair and equitable manner
- Ensure equality and diversity in service delivery together with equality of opportunity

ACTIONS	Timescale	Who
Continue benchmarking via the British Ports Association, UK Harbour Masters Association, RYA, BMF & SW Regional Ports Association	Ongoing	Harbour Master
Review the Tor Bay Harbour Operational Moorings Policy	March	Business Manager
Monitor and support staff through induction and appraisal reviews (RADARs)	March/April	All Managers
Complete Equality Impact Assessments	November	HM Paignton
Implement Equality Impact Assessment Improvement Plans	November	All Managers

#### Priority 4: Stewardship of the Harbour's Built And Natural Environment

#### **Outcomes sought:**

- A sustainable approach to harbour management in recognition of climate change
- Increase public awareness of the maritime environment as a valuable environmental, economic and social asset
- Minimal environmental impact of harbour activities
- Improving quality of life by creating a clean and attractive environment that is valued by residents and visitors

ACTIONS	Timescale	Who
	2017 ~ 2021	Harbour Committee, all Managers
In partnership with S&D IFCA, develop a Tor Bay aquaculture strategy	May-Jun	Harbour Master
Seek external funding for climate change counter-measures eg sea/flood defences	Ongoing	Harbour Committee,

#### Priority 5: Engage With the Community and Harbour Users

#### **Outcomes sought:**

- To consult with all relevant user groups and stakeholders
- To provide an open, accountable and transparent management of Tor Bay Harbour
- A higher percentage of people who feel they can influence harbour management decisions
- Influence, respond and contribute to the economic, voluntary, community, cultural and environmental agendas

ACTIONS	Timescale	Who
Support and engage with the local Coastal Partnerships	Ongoing	Harbour Master, DHMs
Hold quarterly meetings with harbour users & stakeholders (Liaison Forums)	Quarterly	Harbour Master

#### **Priority No. 6: Encourage Local Prosperity**

#### **Outcomes sought:**

- · Capitalise on Torbay's maritime setting
- · Support for the local economy and economic growth
- Regeneration of the enclosed harbours of Brixham, Paignton and Torquay
- Enable a strong and sustainable Fishing Industry

ACTIONS	Timescale	Who
Contribute to tourism by working to support event organisers	Ongoing	All Harbour Staff
Work collaboratively with the English Riviera BID Company, especially in respect of	Ongoing	Harbour Masters &
marketing and promoting Tor Bay Harbour	Origoning	ERBC
Engage with TDA, the LEP the Mayor and the Council to maximise the potential	Ongoing	Executive Head &
benefits of marine/waterfront projects	Origonia	Harbour Committee
Identify potential grant funding opportunities, including any new European funding	Ongoing	Harbour Master & TDA
programmes and Environment Agency flood defence options	Origoning	Transour Master & TDA
Work with the Economic Development Company (TDA) and the Local Enterprise		
Partnership (LEP) to help deliver the Marine Economy Action Plan, including	Ongoing	Executive Head &
projects like the Fish Processing Park and marine related development at Oxen	Origonia	Harbour Committee
Cove		
Contribute to tourism by providing visitor mooring facilities	May ~ Oct	Harbour Masters

7. Budget and Financial Pla	2019/20	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
	Base		Provisional				
Expenditure	Budget	Outturn	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget
Experiorure	£ ,000	£ ,000	£ ,000	£ ,000	£ ,000	£ ,000	£ ,000
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Harbour Employee Costs	630	601	651	668	685	703	721
Operations and Maintenance :-							
Repairs and Maintenance	319	453	322	343	290	290	290
Rent Concessions	11	14	14	14	14	14	14
Other Operating Costs	585	784	689	703	713	723	737
Management and Administration :-							
Internal Support Services	175	181	185	188	192	196	200
External Support Services	47	47	48	49	50	51	52
Other Administration Costs	95	87	85	87	88	89	90
Capital Charges	498	498	536	536	536	536	536
Contribution to General Fund - EHO	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
Contbn to General Fund (Asset Rental)	802	802	802	802	802	802	802
	3,187	3,492	3,356	3,415	3,395	3,429	3,467
ncome							
Rents and Rights :-							
Property and Other Rents/Rights	549	566	607	607	607	607	603
Marina Rental	442	463	463	472	482	491	501
Operating Income :-							
Harbour Dues	151	149	154	157	160	163	167
Visitor and Slipway	64	64	65	66	67	68	69
Mooring fees	203	218	207	211	215	219	223
Pontoon Berths	588	588	599	611	623	636	649
Fish Tolls	978	925	925	925	925	925	925
Recharged Services	103	111	136	139	141	144	147
Boat and Trailer parking	44	44	45	46	47	48	49
Harbour Facilities charges	41	36	37	37	38	39	40
Licences & Contractor passes	28	28	29	29	30	30	31
Reserved Car Parking	37	37	38	38	39	40	41
Miscellaneous & Administration charges	27	29	30	30	31	31	32
Contributions from Reserve		205					
	3,254	3,463	3,334	3,370	3,406	3,443	3,476
Operating Surplus /(Deficit)	67	(29)	(22)	(45)	11	14	9
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Gain share contribution to General Fund	(42)	0	0	0	(11)	(14)	
Gain share contribution to Harbour Reserve	(25)	0	0 '	0 '	0	0	0
Net (Deficit)	0	(29)	(22)	(45)	0	0	0
RESERVE FUND							
		7/1	220	62	22	20	22
Estimated Opening Ralance as at 1 at April		741	229	62	23	28	33
Estimated Opening Balance as at 1st April			6	6	5	5	5
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nterest Receivable		7 (29)		(45)	0	0	
nterest Receivable Net Surplus / (Deficit) from Revenue Account		(29)	(22)				0
Estimated Opening Balance as at 1st April Interest Receivable Net Surplus / (Deficit) from Revenue Account Withdrawals - Harbour Schemes			(22)	(45)	0	0	0

#### **Contribution to the General Fund and Reserves**

The size of the contribution to the Council's General fund via an asset rental has been stabilized at £802,000 pa (23% of turn-over) following an agreement in 2018 that the council and harbour authority would employ a 'gain share' arrangements of any trading surplus over this figure instead of continually raising the size of the contribution which placed too great a financial risk to the harbour authority's ability to remain financially self-sustaining should revenues not meet budgeted incomes.

The harbour reserve, which stood at £741,000 on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 has been reduced to £229,000 to fund a number of investment and schemes which have included:

Harbour Light (Paignton) redevelopment: £27,000
Installation of water meters (Brixham): £110,000
Study into northern breakwater feasibility: £40,000
Remedial infrastructure repairs: £165,000
Replacement CCTV system (Brixham) £75,000
Replacement forklift truck (Brixham) £33,000

In 2020/21 the reserve will again be used to fund a limited dredging campaign (£150,000).

Note that the 2020/21 budget forecasts a £29,000 deficit but this is predicated on a conservative level of fish toll income; if these are exceeded then the overall budget is likely to return to a balanced position.

#### 8. Targets and Performance Indicators

The following are a selection of targets and performances indicators that are tracked on the Council's corporate performance management system – SPAR.NET.

#### **Brixham Harbour Fish Tolls**

Year	Target	Actual	Status
2017/18	£571,000	£1.05m	Well above target
2018/19	£960,000	£960,000	On target
2019/20	£925,000		On target

#### **Navigation Lights Availability**

Year	Target	Actual	Status
2017/18	95%	98.4%	Well above target
2018/19	95%	97.87%	Above target
2019/20	95%	97%	Above target

#### Harbour estate lettings occupancy

Year	Target	Actual	Status
2017/18	98%	100%	On target
2018/19	98%	98%	On target
2019/20	98%	98%	On target

### 9. Business Plan Acceptance Statement

### **Business Plan Acceptance**

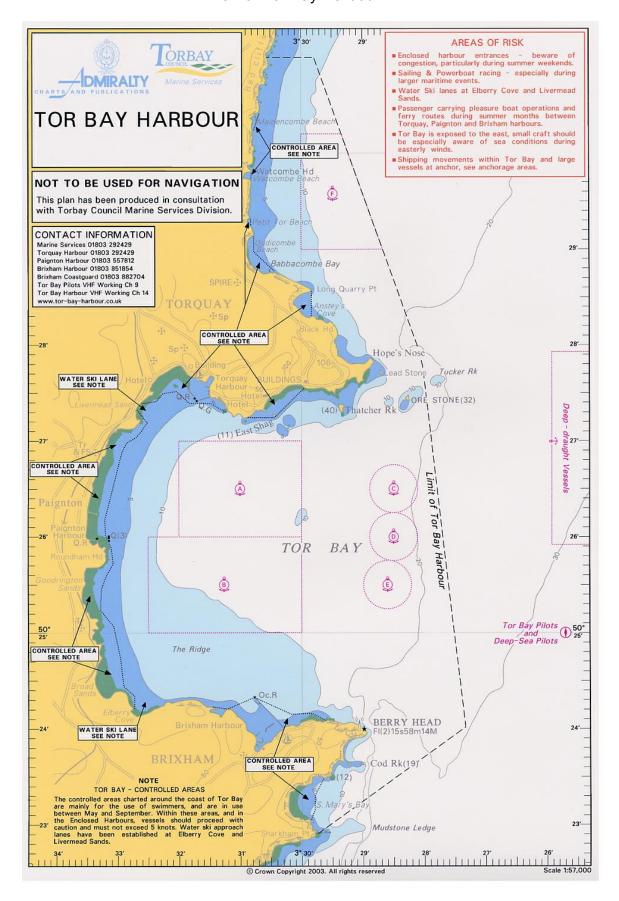
Service Area - Tor Bay Harbour Authority	Business Plan 20/21

Date	March 2020
	Captain Adam Parnell
Signed and accepted by Head of Tor Bay Harbour Authority & Tor Bay Harbour Master	MOPAGE
	Print and Sign

Signed and accepted by Harbour Committee Chairman	Print and sign  Councillor Nicole Amil
Date	March 2020

#### **APPENDIX 1**

#### Plan of Tor Bay Harbour





Meeting: Harbour Committee Date: 21 Sept 2020

Wards Affected: All

Report Title: Review of the Tor Bay Harbour Authority Asset Management Plan

Is the decision a key decision? No When does the decision need to be implemented? N/A

Cabinet Member Contact Details: Not a Cabinet function

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#### 1. Proposal and Introduction

- 1.1 The Tor Bay Harbour Act 1970 empowers the Council to inter alia allot 'lands buildings and property of every description, and of whatever nature [to the] harbour authority ... for the purpose of the undertaking'.
- 1.2 The harbour authority operates a Harbour Asset Management Plan (AMP) to ensure that such 'lands, buildings and property' are effectively and efficiently employed to further the aims of both the harbour authority as an undertaking and the wider aims of the Council.

#### 2. Reason for Proposal and associated financial commitment

- 2.1 The AMP is the means by which the harbour committee meets its obligations to provide strategic direction for those assets that it manages.
- 2.2 An appropriate AMP helps the Harbour Asset Review working party to: monitor the harbour estate; identify inefficient assets or those which require maintenance or disposal; and provide strategic advice in respect of such assets.
- 2.3 The harbour's asset maintenance programme is reviewed annually, and prioritised against the results of condition surveys, which are customarily held on the Council's asset register.
- 2.4 There are no new financial commitments associated with the adoption of this plan.

#### 3. Recommendation(s) / Proposed Decision

3.1 That the Harbour Committee notes the updated Asset Management Plan.

### **Appendices**

Appendix 1: The Tor Bay Harbour Authority Asset Management Plan 2020/21.

### **Background Documents**

None

### **Report Clearance**

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Equalities		
Estates	Liam Montgomery	

#### **Section 1: Background Information**

#### 1. What is the proposal / issue?

- 1.1 The Council 'from time to time' vests a number of assets to the harbour authority to ensure that the undertaking remains a safe and sustainable place to serve the needs of our communities; improve the lives of those who live and work in the Bay; and assist in regenerating Torbay.
- 1.2 The Harbour Committee annually adopts and implements an Asset Management Plan (AMP) as the means by which it meets its obligations to provide strategic direction for those assets within the harbour and the harbour estate.

#### 2. What is the current situation?

- 2.1 The assets currently managed by the harbour authority on behalf of the Council are governed by the harbour committee. Many are critical to the safe operation of the harbour, and others are essential in generating revenue.
- 2.2 The 'harbour estate' means the piers, wharves, quays, berths, roads, sheds and other works and conveniences, and the lands, buildings and property of every description, and of whatever nature, which are for the time being vested in or occupied by the Corporation (Council) as harbour authority and used for the purpose of the harbour undertaking. (Tor Bay Harbour Act 1970).
- 2.3 The estate may be varied from time to time by the Council, having taken full consideration of the operational requirements of the harbour authority and the Council's policy to deliver a self-funding, financially sustainable harbour service.
- 2.4 The harbour committee annually nominates an Asset Review Working Party to advise whether harbour assets are required, fit for purpose and provide value for money. It also provides strategic direction in relation to these assets regarding their retention or disposal. This is in line with the harbour committee's Terms of Reference set out in the Council's constitution.
- 2.5 The Asset Review Working Party met on the 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020 who were supported by both the Harbour Master and TDA. All assets were reviewed and the Working Party was satisfied that they could broadly establish how each asset was performing. No assets were identified as being surplus to the requirement.
- 2.6 The Council is the freehold owner of the harbour estate. Under the Tor Bay Harbour Acts 1970 and 1983, the Council is also the harbour authority and has a duty to maintain and improve the harbour and the services and the facilities in it.

3.	What options have been considered?
	The following options have been considered:
	<ul> <li>Forego the use of an AMP and respond reactively to emergent maintenance requirements. This would likely place short-notice and unplanned pressures on the revenue maintenance budget and is not recommended.</li> <li>Outsource asset management and repair to a third party. This would increase overall costs as their overheads would have to be included in the overall maintenance budget and is thus not recommended.</li> <li>Reduce the extent of the harbour estate by handing back properties and land to the Council. This is broadly neutral as it reduces both income and maintenance liabilities in equal measure. However it complicates the administration of harbour-side issues and is thus not recommended at this juncture.</li> </ul>
4.	What is the relationship with the priorities within the Partnership Memorandum and the Council's Principles?
	<ul> <li>This project directly contributes to the following objectives:</li> <li>A Thriving Economy. That the harbour estate supports viable and sustainable marine businesses.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Thriving People and Communities. That the harbour authority discharges its statutory duty of care to provide a safe environment and its duty to conserve the environment.</li> </ul>
5.	How does this proposal contribute towards the Council's responsibilities as corporate parents?
	No significant effect.
6.	How does this proposal/issue tackle poverty, deprivation and vulnerability?
	No significant effect.
7.	How does this proposal tackle inequalities?  No significant effect.
8.	Who will be affected by this proposal and who do you need to consult with? How will the Council engage with the community? How can the Council empower the community?
	Consultation is proactively undertaken through dialogue with the harbour forums.

### **Section 2: Implications and Impact Assessment** 9. What are the financial and legal implications? Legal The Council, as the nominated Statutory Harbour Authority in the Tor Bay Harbour Act 1970, has inter alia a duty to ensure the following: To provide, conserve, maintain and improve the harbour and services and facilities afforded therein [s6 Tor Bay Harbour Act 1970]; To see that the harbour is in a fit condition for a vessel to utilise it safely [Harbour Docks & Piers Clauses Act 1847]; A general duty to exercise its functions with regard to nature conservation and other environmental considerations [s48A Harbours Act 1964]. The key provisions in local legislation regarding to the Authority's works powers are: • Tor Bay Harbour Act 1970 S13: works in the harbour; **Financial** The costs of routine maintenance have already been incorporated into the revenue budget, thus there are no new financial commitments arising as a result of this report 10. What are the risks? Without an Asset Management Plan there is a risk that the material condition of the harbour estate declines to the point that lease revenues are depressed, personal safety is put at risk and that the Authority's reputation is traduced. Adoption and implementation of an Asset Management Plan will mitigate all of these risks. 11. Public Services Value (Social Value) Act 2012 Not applicable 12. What evidence / data / research have you gathered in relation to this proposal? • Analysis of historic spending norms on routine and reactive maintenance requirements; Asset rental returns; Inspection reports; Stakeholder consultation feedback;

	Asset registers.
13.	What are key findings from the consultation you have carried out?
	The current strategy of managing assets through a proactive Asset Management Plan is the most cost effective approach and should be continued.
14.	Amendments to Proposal / Mitigating Actions
	None.

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**Equality Impacts** 

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	Positive Impact	Negative Impact & Mitigating Actions	Neutral Impact
Older or younger people			There are no differential impacts
People with caring Responsibilities			There are no differential impacts
People with a disability			There are no differential impacts
Women or men			There are no differential impacts
People who are black or from a minority ethnic background (BME) (Please note Gypsies / Roma are within this community)			There are no differential impacts
Religion or belief (including lack of belief)			There are no differential impacts
People who are lesbian, gay or bisexual			There are no differential impacts
People who are transgendered			There are no differential impacts
People who are in a marriage or civil partnership			There are no differential impacts
Women who are pregnant / on maternity leave			There are no differential impacts

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	Socio-economic impacts (Including impact on child poverty issues and deprivation)		There are no differential impacts
	Public Health impacts (How will your proposal impact on the general health of the population of Torbay)		There are no differential impacts
16	Cumulative Impacts – Council wide (proposed changes elsewhere which might worsen the impacts identified above)	There are no differential impacts	
17	Cumulative Impacts – Other public services (proposed changes elsewhere which might worsen the impacts identified above)	None identified at present	



### Tor Bay Harbour Authority - Asset Management Plan 2020/21

#### 1. Service Background and Outcomes

Tor Bay Harbour has existed as a successful, efficient and economical statutory entity since 1970. It is committed to improving the service provided by the Harbour Authority and to support the local economy as a focus both for the local community and visitors to the Bay.

The 'harbour estate' means the piers, wharves, guays, berths, roads, sheds and other works and conveniences, and the lands, buildings and property of every description, and of whatever nature, which are for the time being vested in or occupied by the Corporation (Council) as Harbour Authority and used for the purpose of the harbour undertaking. (Tor Bay Harbour Act 1970).

Pagei The harbour committee governs all of the assets managed by the harbour authority service on behalf of the Council. Many are critical to the safe operation of the harbour and others are essential in terms of revenue. The extent of the harbour estate is determined by the Council and may be varied from time to time with full consideration of the operational requirements of the harbour authority and the Council's policy to deliver a self-funding, financially sustainable harbour service. Routine maintenance costs for harbour assets are met from the harbour accounts as per Council policy.

The harbour committee's terms of reference require it to provide strategic direction in relation to the assets within the harbour estate that are managed by the Tor Bay Harbour Authority service. The Harbour Committee annually appoints an Asset Review Working Party comprising four members of the harbour committee and two external advisors to: review all assets within harbour estate; establish how each asset is performing; and identify any assets that are surplus to requirements.

#### 2. Scope

This Asset Management Plan covers all assets managed and occupied by the Tor Bay Harbour Authority service. The list of harbour assets shows the current asset/property portfolio under the harbour authority's purview. Portfolio management is informed by strategic advice and direction from the harbour committee. The Asset Review Working Party, described in section 1 above, reports its findings to the harbour committee on how each asset is performing and identifying any that are surplus. This advice includes options and actions that might be required to implement proposed changes.

#### 3. Outcomes

The Harbour Asset Review Working Party concluded that:

- all assets within Tor Bay Harbour and the harbour estate had been successfully reviewed;
- they were satisfied that they could broadly establish how each asset was performing;
- no assets were identified as being surplus to requirements;
- the Brixham fuel jetty has dilapidated to the point of danger; the Harbour Master was directed to seek specialist H&S advice to further improve pedestrian and vessel anti-access measures. This was completed in Feb 2020.

The Working Party has been updated on the pressing need to enlarge Brixham fish market through land reclamation, and the continuing deterioration of the derelict fuel jetty on the Brixham breakwater.

#### 4. Audit & Review

The following have been identified as requiring an ongoing review and/or action.

Pag	Asset Name	Action	Timeline
e 31	None		

# Agenda Item 7



Meeting: Harbour Committee Date: 21 Sept 2020

Wards Affected: All

Report Title: Tor Bay Harbour: Operational Moorings and Facilities Policy

Is the decision a key decision? No

When does the decision need to be implemented? 30 Sept 2020

Cabinet Member Contact Details: Not a Cabinet function

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#### 1. Proposal and Introduction

1.1 This report proposes changes to the Operational Moorings and Facilities Policy.

#### 2. Reason for Proposal and associated financial commitment

- 2.1 The use of moorings, berths, boat park spaces, tender racks and storage lockers etc is governed by a variety of controlling factors including: local harbour legislation; harbour byelaws and the annual Facility Agreement terms and conditions. These are codified in the Operational Moorings and Facilities Policy, which is subject to annual review.
- 2.2 The policy ensures that a consistent, fair and equitable approach is applied to new, existing and potential facility users. The existing operational policy statement serves as a management tool but does not form part of the strategic policy framework set by Torbay Council.
- 2.3 Minor amendments have been made:
  - Customers must give 1 month's-notice (previously 14 days) to cancel a facility;
  - The Policy makes more explicit the fact that uninsured vessels, or those considered by the Harbour Master to be injurious, will have their facilities withdrawn;
  - Vessel owners must furnish proof of in-date vessel insurance upon request or risk having their facility withdrawn;
  - The
- 2.4 There are no new financial commitments associated with the adoption of this policy.

### 3. Recommendation(s) / Proposed Decision

3.1 That the Harbour Committee notes the Operational Moorings and Facilities Policy version 16.

Appendix 1: Operational Moorings and Facilities Policy version 16.

### **Background Documents**

None

#### **Report Clearance**

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### **TOR BAY HARBOUR AUTHORITY**

# OPERATIONAL MOORINGS AND FACILITIES POLICY



Version 16

#### Tor Bay Harbour Authority Operational Moorings and Facilities Policy

#### Introduction

Tor Bay Harbour is a strategic asset of the Bay and of fundamental importance to the economic and cultural wellbeing of the area. Torbay Council is the Statutory Harbour Authority which discharges the duties and responsibilities detailed in the Tor Bay Harbour Act 1970. This Act is in turn based upon the Harbours, Docks and Piers Clauses Act 1847, which confers certain powers upon the Harbour Master concerning management of the Harbour.

The provision and management of mooring facilities within Tor Bay is one of the Harbour Authority's core activities.

The purpose of this policy is to guide the management of the provision of mooring or berthing facilities within Tor Bay. It also ensures that a consistent, fair and equitable approach is applied to new, existing and potential facility users in Tor Bay and upon the harbour estate. The policy does not form part of Torbay Council's strategic policy framework.

Every decision regarding mooring facilities will be based upon a number of factors, the principal factors being:

- Safety and efficiency;
- The requirements of safe navigation;
- Conservation of the environment.

This policy is not a legal document and the Harbour Authority reserves the right to exercise its absolute discretion over any decision and reserves the right to amend and or republish the conditions at any time.

Subject to the Council's Port Masterplan, nothing within this policy shall interfere with the Harbour Master's overall ability to allocate or regulate the number, location, size and type of facilities being used at any time within Tor Bay Harbour. It supplements the Tor Bay Harbour Act 1970 (and subsequent amending legislation), the associated harbour bye- laws, and the facility agreement conditions.

We have tried to include all situations and circumstances, however if an issue arises that has not been considered I will undertake to ensure that an open, fair and just resolution is sought.

**Captain Adam Parnell AFNI Tor Bay Harbour Master Head of Tor Bay Harbour Authority** 

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### **Definitions** (extracts from the Tor Bay Harbour Act 1970 & Harbour Byelaws)

- 1. "Harbour" means the limits of Tor Bay Harbour as comprised in the areas in Part I and Part II in the Schedule of Byelaws. "Enclosed Harbours" means at Torquay the area of water enclosed by an imaginary line drawn from the western end of Haldon Pier to the south eastern end of Princess Pier; at Paignton the area of water enclosed by an imaginary line drawn from the eastern end of North Quay to the northern end of Eastern Quay; and at Brixham the area of water enclosed by the Breakwater, an imaginary line from the northern end of the Breakwater to Battery Point and the shore.
- 2. "Harbour Estate" means the piers, wharves, quays, jetties, stages, berths, slipways, roads, sheds, and other works and conveniences and the lands, buildings and property of every description and of whatever nature which are for the time being vested in or occupied by the Harbour Authority and used for the purpose of the Harbour undertaking.
- 3. "Harbour Master" means the Harbour Master appointed by the Council and includes his authorised deputies, assistants and any other person authorised by the Council to act in that capacity.
- 4. "Inner part of Brixham Enclosed Harbour" means the area of water enclosed by an imaginary line drawn from the eastern end of New Pier to Kings Quay.
- 5. "Quays" means any quay, wharf, jetty, dolphin, landing stage or structure used for berthing or mooring vessels, and includes any pier, bridge, roadway or footway immediately adjacent and affording access thereto adjoining the Enclosed Harbours.
- 6. "Master" when used in relation to any vessel, means any person having the command, charge or management of the vessel for the time being.
- 7. "Vessel" means every description of water craft however propelled or moved including non-displacement craft and everything constructed or used to carry persons or goods by water.
- 8. "Council" means Torbay Council.
- 9. "Authority" means the Tor Bay Harbour Authority.
- 10. "Facility" means any mooring, berth, boat-park space, tender rack, locker, store etc.
- 11. "Facility holder" means the person or persons allocated the use of a facility subject to the conditions of use written on the appropriate Facility Agreement Form.
- 12. "Loss, injury or damage" means any loss, injury or damage, which may occur to any person, vessel, vehicle or their contents, or to any other goods or things.
- 13. "Facility Form Agreement and conditions" shown in Appendix 1.

### Types of facility

"Swinging Mooring" – a means to secure a vessel to a heavy ground chain on the seabed, via a single riser chain. The arrangement allows the vessel to move so that it will head into the wind or the tide – whichever is the stronger.

"Trot Mooring" – a means to secure a vessel fore and aft via separate riser chains. This arrangement does not allow the craft to move freely with the wind/tide and this enables many more boats to be moored in the same area. The fore and aft element of the mooring is tied together, via a single pick-up buoy, even when the facility is unoccupied.

"Pontoon Mooring" – a means to secure a vessel fore and aft alongside a pontoon or a 'finger pontoon' secured thereto. Some pontoons are connected to the shore and are known as "walk ashore" pontoons.

"Running/Outhaul Moorings" - used to tether small craft (< 16ft) to a looped line running from the shore to a fixing, on a riser chain, secured to the harbour fundus. The boat can be pulled in and out using the running line.

"Tender rack" are racks into which small and light craft may be stored on end.

"Kayak rack" are racks into which canoes or kayaks can be securely stored.

"Boat Park Space" refers to an allocated quayside space for the dry storage of boats/dinghies on trolleys/trailers which are launched and/or recovered via a slipway.

"Berthing" means tying up against a harbour wall or pontoon.

### Facility charges

All fees and charges can be found in the extant 'Tor Bay Harbour Authority Schedule of Charges, Dues & Fees'.

### **Facilities allocation**

### Private facilities (non-commercial) waiting lists

A non-commercial mooring or facility can only be offered and allocated to the person whose name is next on the appropriate waiting list subject to the priority definitions below. A non-refundable registration fee is required to join a waiting list. Lists will be closed if they are over-subscribed, to prevent unduly lengthy waiting time for a facility. Waiting list procedures can be found in Appendix 2. Under normal circumstances the applicant will only be given one offer of a facility, and a second or third offer will only be made in exceptional circumstances. Any applicants that decline three offers of a harbour facility will have their name removed from waiting lists.

### Waiting list priority

Allocation of facilities from the waiting lists adheres to the following priority, subject to the restrictions listed below:

- 1st Council tax payers whose main or principle residence is within the Torbay Council administrative area. Proof of such residence may be required eg current utility bill.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Other Council tax payers within the Torbay Council administrative area (ie those with second homes)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> All others

### **Torquay Town Dock allocation restrictions**

The Torquay Town Dock and Inner Dock Pontoon waiting lists are closed when 30 names are registered for each band of berth size and when they are re-opened, names will only be accepted from those with a primary address in the TQ1 to TQ5 postcode areas, on a first come first served basis, to be confirmed by a check of Council Tax records and/or Electoral Register information.

Town Dock and Torquay Inner Dock Pontoon berths will only be allocated to people outside the TQ1 to TQ5 postcode areas if no waiting list exists.

### Mooring exchange scheme - Torquay Town & Inner Dock

Customers with existing 6 metre, 8 metre, 9.14 metre and 10 metre berths on the Town Dock or Inner Dock at Torquay, may be able to exchange their facility for an alternative sized berth. Further details including eligibility criteria can be found in Appendix 3.

### **Commercial moorings waiting lists**

Waiting lists exists for a number of specified commercial moorings. Currently these can be split into specific numbers of facilities for passenger carrying craft and other moorings identified for commercial craft such as fishing vessels. To avoid overcapacity the Council has an established policy to restrict the number of annual moorings/berths for passenger carrying craft at each of the enclosed harbours. Restrictions also exist to limit the number of commercial and fishing vessel moorings at Torquay and Paignton harbours. These restrictions will be managed by the Harbour Master. This policy allows the transfer of use of a commercial mooring facility to the new owner of a commercial boat. i.e. where a commercial boat ceases to operate at any Harbour and the operator sells his/her business, the Harbour Master may transfer the mooring facilities to the new owner. This mooring transfer does not apply to all commercial moorings but would normally apply if the owner has already received the benefit of this transfer policy. A specific number of fishing vessel moorings exist at Torquay and Paignton harbours.

Entry onto a commercial moorings waiting list requires a non-refundable registration fee.

Given the obvious demand for this type of mooring and the significant contribution made by passenger carrying boats to the English Riviera tourism product, the Harbour Authority will operate a "use it or lose it" policy. If a commercial or passenger boat owner does not put a vessel on the allocated mooring facility for two consecutive years, or in the view of the Harbour Master the commercial vessel is only infrequently and irregularly operated, the mooring facility will be allocated to the next appropriate applicant on the waiting list. In this context, a commercial vessel

operated for fewer than 10 days in a year would be considered to be infrequently or irregularly operated.

### Facilities for heritage vessels

A limited number of 'Heritage' vessels are permitted, with the Harbour Master's consent, to berth on the Town Pontoon in Brixham Harbour for the embarkation or disembarkation of passengers and at the Harbour Masters discretion, provided they have alternative mooring facilities within the harbour. The Council's agreed criteria against which vessels could be measured for inclusion within the "fleet" of heritage boats based at Brixham Harbour is as follows:-

"that a heritage boat in Torbay be defined as a vessel which is British built, 40 feet or more in length and built prior to 31st December 1935 and that, at the absolute discretion of the Council, is considered to have an historical relevance to Tor Bay and its operation and general activity is considered to be beneficial to the local community; and that compliance with the approved definition of a heritage boat should form the basic criteria against which vessels can be measured for inclusion within the "fleet".

### **Boat park spaces**

Certain boat park spaces contain racking to permit more than one vessel to be stored in a single space. Racks provided by the Harbour Authority will be charged per rack in accordance with the extant 'Tor Bay Harbour Authority Schedule of Charges, Dues & Fees'. Recognised Youth Groups may apply to the Harbour Master for approval to erect their own racking and in these circumstances, if consent is granted; the charges will only apply to the quay space occupied by the racking.

#### **Duration of facility agreement**

These run for a maximum of 12 months commencing on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April and expiring on the 31<sup>st</sup> March of the following year. However, vacancies that arise after 1<sup>st</sup> April will be filled from the waiting list and run from the acceptance date up to the 31<sup>st</sup> March. The Harbour Master reserves the right to determine whether to renew an allocated facility and will review such allocation on an annual basis.

The Harbour Master may at any time designate to the facility holder an alternative location for such a facility, whereupon the applicant will move their vessel and/or any other possessions or chattels from the previous location to the appointed new location for such a facility forthwith.

### **Facility renewals**

At the beginning of each calendar year the Harbour Authority may invite existing facility holders to retain their facility(ies) via an invoice detailing the appropriate fees and charges. Facilities that are not retained will be allocated to the next person on the appropriate waiting list.

Note that existing holders may not be invited to renew their facility if they:

- have failed to comply with harbour regulations
- have been abusive towards harbour staff
- have required repeated chasing for payment
- owe the Council or the Harbour Authority outstanding debts

- If the vessel is in a poor state of repair and therefore deemed (in the Harbour Master's opinion) to be injurious
- do not provide in-date insurance documents upon request
- have a discretionary facility that is being discontinued

### **Cancellation of Facility Form Agreement**

The facility holder may request that their Facility Form Agreement is cancelled by giving 1 month written notice to the Council. If there are no monies outstanding when the request is received then the facility will be withdrawn immediately. However some customers (especially those who elect to pay by Direct Debit) may still owe money and will not have their request accepted until this money has been paid and the facility has been re-allocated. However, the fee already paid may be retained by the Council where no latent demand exists

The Council may terminate the Facility Form Agreement at any time by giving 1 months' notice in writing to the facility holders last known address. For the avoidance of doubt, the Harbour Master has delegated authority to terminate Facility Form Agreements on behalf of the Council. A facility may be terminated and/or not renewed for a number of reasons and these may include but are not limited to; bad debt, failure to comply with harbour regulations, abuse towards harbour staff, injurious vessel, proof of insurance not provided and a discretionary facility being discontinued.

### Risk, Liability, Insurance Requirements and Recommendations (Facility Agreement Conditions 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5)

All reasonable care will be taken of the facility holder's property but whilst precautions will be taken to prevent loss and/or damage all vessels are berthed, moored, launched, moved and hauled out at the risk of the applicant. The applicant is therefore required to make sure that his/her vessel and property are adequately insured against all risks. Insurances shall be maintained and evidence that the vessel is insured shall be provided to Tor Bay Harbour upon request. Vessels found to be without insurance may have its allocated berth withdrawn.

If the vessel sinks at the mooring or within the harbour limits it will have to be recovered and removed from the harbour by the vessel's owner. Failure to remove such a vessel from the harbour in a period as shall be specified by the Harbour Master in his absolute discretion (including immediate notice) will result in the Council recovering and removing the vessel and the appropriate charges being passed on to the owner. Such charges shall be a debt due from the Facility Form Agreement holder to the Authority. It is therefore strongly recommended that your insurance policy includes a 'wreck removal' clause.

The facility holder shall indemnify the Council, their servants and agents against all actions, claims, costs and demands in respect of any injury or death of any person and any damage to any property which may arise out of the applicant's occupation and use of the harbour facilities including slipways, steps, jetties and staging and for this purpose shall maintain a Public Liability policy against such risks. Failure to maintain the appropriate insurance cover, evidence to be provided upon request by

Tor Bay Harbour Authority, will result in the withdrawal of the mooring, launching and other facilities.

All facility holders using any part of the harbour facilities including slipways, steps, jetties and staging, for whatever purpose in connection with this application and whether by the Council's invitation or not, are expected to have due regard for their own safety and do so at their own risk.

The facility holder shall at all times be responsible for the safety of his/her vessel and shall be liable for any damage occasioned to the Council's property, howsoever caused, during the navigation of any vessel by the applicant or his/her servant or agents, or whilst the applicant's vessel is berthed, moored, or launched, or by the vessel slipping her berth, mooring or being cast adrift and will pay to the Council on demand any claim for reasonable compensation in respect of such damage.

The Harbour Master and other authorised officers and servants, whilst acting in the course of their duty, shall not be responsible for any loss or damage which may occur as a result of compliance, or attempted compliance, with any lawful order or directions given by the Harbour Master, or such other officers or servants, nor shall the Council be liable for any loss or damage arising out of compliance, or attempted compliance, with the officers' lawful orders. The Council, its servants, agents or employees shall not be liable for injury to any person, except where such injury arises through the negligence of the Council.

This section applies equally to visitors and temporary users of the harbour and harbour estate, whether using a vessel, vehicle or trailer.

### <u>Vessels Injurious to the Amenity of the Harbour (see Section 23 – Tor Bay</u> Harbour Act 1970)

If at any time the Harbour Authority are satisfied that a derelict vessel or structure moored in or lying in the water or on the foreshore of the harbour is in such a condition as to be seriously injurious to the amenity of that part of the harbour in which it is moored or lying, the Harbour Authority may by notice require the owner thereof within such time as may be specified in the notice (the period being not less than six weeks) to take such steps as may be necessary to abate the injury to amenity. A vessel may be considered to be injurious to the amenity of the harbour if it is badly dilapidated, seriously unkempt, unseaworthy and/or in danger of sinking, etc.)

For the avoidance of doubt, the Harbour Master is empowered, on behalf of the Harbour Authority, to determine whether a vessel is seriously injurious to the amenity of the harbour.

Failure to comply with such a notice issued by the Harbour Authority may result in the necessary action being taken directly by the Harbour Authority.

### **Prohibition on Assignment/Sub Letting of Facilities** (Facility Agreement Conditions 12)

The facility is personal to facility holder and may not be shared, assigned, transferred, sub-let or otherwise used or made available to anyone other than the facility holder. In the event that it is discovered that a facility holder is sub-letting the facility will be withdrawn with immediate effect. (This includes the renting of beds/berths on board vessels whilst using harbour facilities. e.g. via websites such as www.bedsonboard.com and www.airbnb.co.uk)

The facility granted may not be loaned without prior notification to, and agreement of the Harbour Master in writing. Written notification must also be provided to the Harbour Master from both parties to the loan. If the Harbour Master's consent is obtained in no circumstances will this be given for a period greater than 12 months. In agreed loan circumstances the owner of the vessel borrowing the facility must confirm that he holds the necessary required insurance, confirm acceptance of all conditions and Byelaws and be liable for the appropriate level of harbour dues.

Any individual boat owner will only be permitted to borrow a facility for two consecutive years, assuming that two separate facility holders and the Harbour Master are agreeable to such an arrangement. i.e. the maximum stay without a properly allocated facility is 24 months.

### Size of Vessel (Facility Agreement Conditions 17)

Facilities are allocated appropriate to the size of each vessel.

Facility holders may not place their vessel on another berth without the advance permission of the harbour office and they must not increase the size of their vessel without ascertaining whether or not their facility (or an available alternative) can safely accommodate the replacement vessel. Facilities may be withdrawn without notice if this is rule is breached

A vessel will be charged based on overall length, which includes any bowsprit, pushpit, stern davit, bathing platform, outboard engine, bumpkin or any other extension.

#### Inheritance

The facility granted will be for one vessel only and is not transferable. Where a member of a family wishes to continue using the facility after the death or incapacity of the existing holder he/she must join the appropriate waiting list. The use of harbour facilities cannot be inherited other than by a legitimate 'partner' who meets the requirements of a partnership arrangement as set out elsewhere within this document.

#### **Vessel Identification (Byelaw 35)**

All boats, trailers and tenders used within the harbour must have their names and current Harbour Authority plaques displayed to the satisfaction of the Harbour Master. The facility holder should also ensure that the name of the vessel or mooring number is clearly displayed on any mooring buoy not provided by the Council.

### Change of Vessel (Byelaw 33)

In the event of the facility holder selling or otherwise disposing of the vessel authorised to use the facility, the parties to the change shall ensure that immediate written notification is given to the Harbour Master.

### **Vessel Not On Facility**

If the facility holder does not have his/her own vessel on the authorised facility for a period of one year then the facility will be forfeit and reassigned from the waiting list.

### **Partnerships**

Partnerships must have been registered with the Harbour Authority when the facility was first allocated. Any subsequent changes of ownership or partnership buy out will not be recognised or count towards facility allocation. The Harbour Authority will not recognise shared ownership beyond one third. i.e. a maximum of three partners inclusive of the applicant. All partners must be over the age of 18 and meet the local residence requirements detailed in this policy with regard to facility allocation priority.

### **Use of Facilities**

Facilities must only be used for the purposes stated in the original application. Vessels using facilities must not be used for residential purposes. i.e. no living on board is permitted, and boats must not serve as the sole or main residence of any individual or group. Customers are not expected to sleep on board their craft, whilst berthed in the harbour, unless that vessel has a suitable manufacturers holding tank for grey water and sewage. Facilities will be withdrawn from those customers who regularly breach this expectation. Customers are not permitted to rent any beds/berths on board their vessels. e.g. via websites such as www.bedsonboard.com and www.airbnb.co.uk. Such activity will be seen as subletting and facilities will be withdrawn from those customers who breach this condition.

The right to berth a vessel on a facility relates to a particular user and vessel. Tor Bay Harbour reserves the right to cancel an offer of berth if on inspection of the vessel it is considered unsuitable for berthing on the facility because of its dimensions, weight, method of construction, state of repair, type of fendering or other reason.

Privately owned vessels paying harbour charges as private craft must not operate their craft on a commercial basis. The number of available commercial moorings is restricted under this policy (please refer to the 'Facilities Allocation' section in this document under the heading 'Commercial Moorings – Waiting List'). Consequently any owner who changes the use of their craft from a private vessel to a commercial vessel (either by conversion or replacement) will have their facility agreement terminated.

Privately owned fenders **must not** be fixed to harbour authority property (other than by rope) without the prior consent of the harbour authority. Installation of owner's 'dock fenders' will normally be permitted, subject to prior approval. Any fixing that requires drilling into steel, stone or concrete must be undertaken by harbour authority staff.

Privately owned 'dock boxes' **must not** be fixed to harbour authority property without the prior consent of the harbour authority and a charge may be applicable.

The use of power cables on pontoons is permitted provided the cable is within a protective cover to prevent a trip hazard and is not seen as a permanent connection. Any cables presenting a hazard of any nature will be removed and the credit on the meter will be cleared. Cable covers are available from the Harbour Office.

### **Abandoned Vessels and Property**

Tor Bay Harbour has the power to remove, dispose or sell vessels and property with reasonable notice given to the owner (to be determined on a case by case basis by the Harbour Master). If the owner is not known then Tor Bay Harbour can remove, dispose or sell the vessel or property after leaving written notice on the vessel or property for a reasonable period of time.

### Fuel and Re fuelling

No fuel or combustible material is permitted to be kept on or within the allocated facility save in authorised storage tanks and containers.

Other than for small outboard engines, no petrol refuelling from cans or containers is permitted on the harbour side, pontoons, steps, slipways, or moorings. Petrol refuelling is permitted at a licensed marine fuel station or when using an approved siphoning/pumping device agreed specifically with the Harbour Master or at Paignton Harbour from cans onto moored vessels when the harbour has dried.

Any fuel spillage must be reported to the Harbour Master

### Pollution (Byelaw 91 and Byelaw 102)

Facility holders must not pollute the harbour by spillage, dumping of waste, effluent, human waste, detergent and/or fuel or otherwise deposit refuse or scrap on the harbour estate, in the waters of the harbour or on the harbour bed.

### **Moorings and Vessel Protection**

### Fitting of Moorings (Facility Agreement Condition 16)

Any swivel, riser chain, mooring rope or buoy, not provided by the Council, shall comply with the Council's specification in that behalf and shall only be fitted by a person licensed by the Council to do such work or by the facility holder personally in respect of his/her allocated mooring. The Facility Holder shall as soon as any swivel, riser chain, mooring rope or buoy has become fitted, immediately notify the Harbour Master of the fact. The applicant shall also arrange for regular inspection and maintenance of such equipment not provided by the Council.

### **Buoyant Rope (Byelaw 98)**

No person shall within any enclosed Harbour use buoyant pick-up ropes on moorings.

### Removal of Moorings (Byelaw 100)

A mooring, buoy or similar tackle shall as soon as reasonably practicable be removed by its owner or any other person claiming possession of it if the Harbour Master so directs.

### **Vessel Monitoring**

All vessels should be monitored by the owner or owner's agent, on a regular basis, particularly during periods of bad weather.

### **Propeller Covers (Facility Agreement Conditions 22)**

When moored outboard engines in the raised or tilted position must have the propeller and skeg covered with a plastic bucket or other approved protective cover in order to prevent damage to other boats.

### **Provision of Proper Fenders (Byelaw 46)**

The facility holder shall ensure that his/her vessel is provided with a sufficient number of fenders adequate for the size of the vessel, and when berthing or leaving, or lying at a guay or against other vessels, the master shall cause the vessel to be fendered off from that guay or those other vessels so as to prevent damage to that quay, those other vessels or other property

### Mooring, Berthing, Anchoring in the Harbour

#### Vessels to be moored etc as directed

Masters of vessels in the harbour shall moor, anchor, berth and/or cease to moor, berth or anchor and be moved in accordance with directions given from time to time by the Harbour Master.

### **Vessels not to Anchor in a Fairway (Byelaws 11 & 18)**

No person shall anchor so as to obstruct a fairway.

### Vessels not to be made fast to unauthorised objects, Navigational Buoys or Seasonal 5 Knot Buoys (Byelaws 13 & 50)

The master of a vessel shall not make fast his/her vessel to or lie against any buoy, beacon or mark used for navigation. No person shall make a vessel fast to or interfere with any post, quay, ring, fender or any other thing or place not assigned for that purpose.

### **Vessels not to Obstruct Free Passage**

The master of a vessel shall not cause or permit the vessel to manoeuvre, come to anchor or be moored or placed so as to intentionally obstruct in any manner whatsoever the passage of vessels in the harbour.

### **Vessels to be Properly Secured**

No vessel shall be insecurely moored or improperly made fast within the harbour.

### **Vessels Not to Obstruct Steps, Slipways (Byelaw 26)**

No person shall allow any vessel to obstruct any pontoons, steps or slipways or to lie at any pontoons steps or slipways without the permission of the Harbour Master.

### **Reckless Conduct and Disorderly Behaviour**

The facility holder shall not use the mooring facility in a reckless manner so as to cause danger to other users of the Harbour or damage to their property.

The facility holder (including any persons on board a vessel on the harbour facility) shall not cause unreasonable noise, nuisance or annoyance to other users of the Harbour.

### **Compliance with Statute, Byelaws and Directions of the Harbour Master**

The facility holder and all persons having control or having charge of or being aboard his/her vessel shall observe and perform all statutory and other obligations relating to the Harbour including all Byelaws and Regulations made by the Council and Directions given by the Harbour Master.

In the event of the holder of the Facility Form Agreement failing to comply with the conditions of the Facility Form Agreement the Council may give notice to remove the vessel. Should this notice not be complied with or the conditions of the Facility Form Agreement not met within fourteen days of the sending of the notice to the last known address of the facility holder the Authority may remove the vessel to any place where so ever. The facility holder shall pay the cost of such removal, storage, mooring or berthing and subsequent replacement to the Authority. Such charges shall be a debt due from the facility holder to the Authority.

### **Disabled Access**

The Harbour Authority provide a range of moorings and other facilities, which by their very nature, have various forms of access. Consideration has been given to providing facilities for disabled persons, wherever this is reasonably practicable, in accordance with the Disability Discrimination Act 1995/2005 (DDA).

The Harbour Authority is obliged to make such adjustments as is reasonable to prevent disabled persons from being placed at a substantial disadvantage when compared to others. Anyone who has a disability should assess the most suitable facility that meets their needs and if necessary join the relevant waiting list.

The Harbour Authority staff can provide advice to anyone who is uncertain about which facility would be the most appropriate.

### Young People

Young people are encouraged to use the harbour facilities and in certain circumstances will be eligible for a 50% discount on applicable harbour charges. Please see the current 'Tor Bay Harbour Authority Schedule of Charges, Dues & Fees' for details. Unfortunately it is not lawful for the Harbour Authority to enter into a contract with a minor (under 18 years of age) and the facility form agreement will therefore be in the name of a responsible adult. Please note that this discount is discretionary.

### **Visitor Moorings**

To avoid the abuse of visitor moorings by local vessels, all craft using visitor mooring facilities are normally restricted to a maximum stay of three weeks (21 days) with no return within one week (7 days).

### Appendix 1

### **GENERAL CONDITIONS - TOR BAY HARBOUR.** DUES, TOLLS, LEVY RENTS, FEES AND OTHER CHARGES ARE ACCEPTED ONLY ON THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

**Definition**: The phrases 'loss, loss of, damage, injury or death' in these conditions shall mean any loss and / or loss of and / or damage and / or injury and / or death, which may occur to any vessel, vehicle, property or any person(s). Words denoting the singular and plural shall be interchangeable.

- 1. The Council will not be responsible for any loss and / or damage as occasioned to the applicant's vessel and / or property in the course of berthing, mooring, launching, moving or hauling out, unless as a direct consequence of the Council's negligence.
- 2. The applicant is required to possess "all risks" insurance for their vessel, which must include adequate third party liability cover and evidence that the vessel is so insured shall be provided to Tor Bay Harbour upon request.
- 3. The applicant shall indemnify the Council, their servants and / or agents where they are at fault for any injury and / or death of any person(s) and / or any loss of or damage to any property, which may arise out of the applicant's occupation or use of the harbour facilities.
- 4. All applicants using the harbour facilities, including but not limited to slipways, steps, jetties, pontoons and staging, for whatever purpose and whether or not by the Council's invitation, are expected to have due regard for their own safety and utilise the facilities entirely at their own risk, unless negligence can be proven against the Council.
- 5. The applicant shall at all times be responsible for the safety of their vessel and shall be liable for any loss of and / or damage as occasioned to the Council's and / or any third party's property and / or injury to and / or death of any person(s), howsoever caused, during the navigation of any vessel by the applicant or their servant or agents, or including but not limited to, whilst the applicant's vessel is being berthed, moored, launched, being slipped, being cast adrift or being worked upon and will indemnify the Council on demand any claim for compensation in respect of any such loss.
- 6. The Council's Harbour Master and / or other authorised officers and /or servants, whilst acting in the course of their duty, shall not be responsible for any loss of or damage and / or injury and / or death which may occur as a result of or arising from compliance, or attempted compliance, with any lawful order or directions given by the Harbour Master, and / or such other officers and / or servants and / or agents, unless negligence can be proven against the Council.

- 7. The lawful orders and / or directions of the Council's Harbour Master and other authorised officers must always be obeyed promptly and at all times.
- 8. The Council may terminate this agreement at any time during the contract period, by giving one month's notice in writing to the applicant, at their last known address.
- 9. Following the termination of this agreement, the applicant shall forthwith remove their vessel and / or any other possessions from the Council's property.
- 10. The Council will, upon receipt of payment in accordance with this account, allocate a facility to the applicant as described in this account in a location in Tor Bay Harbour determined at the sole discretion of the Harbour Master and the Harbour Master may at any time re-designate the applicant to an alternative location for such a facility, whereupon the applicant will be required to move their vessel and / or any other possessions from the previous location to the appointed new location within a reasonable time period.
- 11. This facility as provided to the applicant is on the basis that the applicant agrees it will not be **shared**, **assigned**, **transferred**, **sublicensed or sub let** or otherwise used by or made available to anyone other than the applicant, unless with the prior written consent of the Harbour Master.
- 12. The facility as provided to the applicant shall not be used other than for the purpose described in the Schedule of Charges, Dues & Fees.
- 13. The Council has the right to exercise a general lien upon any vessel, and / or gear and / or equipment and / or property, whilst in or upon the harbour premises, or afloat, until such time as the monies due to the Council from the applicant in respect of such vessel and / or gear and / or equipment and / or property, whether on account of storage, mooring, berthing, slipping charges or otherwise, shall have been paid. Should these charges remain unpaid, the Council reserves the right to dispose of the applicant's vessel and / or gear and / or equipment and / or property and pay to the applicant the funds net of any charges as due.
- 14. The applicant shall also arrange for regular inspection(s) and maintenance of such mooring equipment.
- 15. The applicant shall not place a vessel on a mooring prescribed in the mooring scheme as prepared by the Council, which is of a different size than that for which the application was made, unless with the prior written consent of the Harbour Master.
- 16. The applicant must also ensure that the name of the vessel or a mooring number is clearly displayed on any mooring buoy not provided by the Council.
- 17. Any mooring position and type shall be subject to the Harbour Master's prior approval. Failure to obtain such approval will result in the vessel being moved at the owner(s) expense, to a suitable location and the latter shall be at the sole discretion of the Harbour Master.

- 18. No attachment whatsoever is to be affixed to the mooring chain provided by the Council, without the prior approval of the Harbour Master.
- 19. Outboard engines must be in a raised position when vessel(s) are moored and have the propeller and skeg covered with a plastic bucket or other approved protective cover, in order to prevent damage to other boats.
- 20. The storage of petroleum spirit and / or flammable substances and / or toxic chemicals and / or corrosive substances and / or noxious substances in storage lockers, is strictly prohibited.

Failure to comply with any of these terms and conditions will result in the owner being required to remove their vessel and / or gear and / or equipment and / or property from the Council's property. The Council retains the right to remove such items, should the applicant not do so, at the applicant's expense. If any part of these terms and conditions shall be held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable this will in no way affect the validity of the remaining parts of these Terms and Conditions.

### **Enquires, Arrangements to Pay & Failure to Pay**

If you wish to speak to someone concerning this invoice or are unable to make payment in full please telephone the Harbour Office as detailed on the front of this invoice. If you fail to pay or arrange a monthly direct debit plan within 28 days and do not contact the Harbour Office, legal proceedings may be commenced, and the Council will claim a penalty for evading payment of charges equal to the debt due -See Section 30 of the Tor Bay Harbour Act 1970. Ultimately the Council may arrest your vessel under Section 30 of the Tor Bay Harbour Act 1970 and your boat may be sold to recover the debt. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact your nearest Citizens Advice Bureau who offer free independent advice, or telephone the National Debtline on Freephone 0808 808 4000.

#### **Fair Processing Notice**

Information held by Torbay Council complies and is processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. The information you have provided here will be used to process your facility application and may be disclosed to other departments of the Council, their partner agencies or other Local Harbour Authorities for the purposes of verifying the vessel ownership details and in the pursuance of efficient harbour management.

### Appendix 2

### **WAITING LISTS**

### TOR BAY HARBOUR

### WAITING LIST PROCEDURE

- 1) The waiting list registration fee is £25 for private berths and £50 for commercial berths. On receipt of the appropriate fee, your name will be placed on the relevant list. Please make cheques payable to 'Torbay Council'.
- 2) The waiting list entry will be dated the same day the fee is received.
- 3) The registration fee is **NOT REFUNDABLE OR TRANSFERABLE**.
- 4) Under normal circumstances the applicant will only be given one offer of a facility. A second or third offer will only be made in exceptional circumstances. All applicants will have their name removed from the list if they have declined three offers of a harbour facility.
- 5) When a facility is offered and accepted, it can only be allocated to the person whose name is on the waiting list. The facility is **NOT TRANSFERABLE**.
- 6) When a facility is offered and accepted and no boat is immediately available, then the applicant must pay the full fee for the size of facility applied for, and then has twelve months to place their craft on the facility.
- 7) Often a waiting list will be banded dependent on the size of the facility. It is therefore important that applicants are certain about the size of facility required. The length entered on the waiting list form will not be adjusted up at a later date and an adjustment down in size may result in a transfer to a new list with a new entry date.
- 8) Applicants who live locally will be given priority over those applicants who live outside the Torbay area. (see the Tor Bay Harbour Operational Moorings and Facility Policy)
- 9) Unfortunately applicants who have a disability do not have priority over other people on the waiting list.
- 10) From time to time applicants will be asked to provide written confirmation of their wish to stay on a particular waiting list. The applicant's details will be deleted from our records if written confirmation is **not** provided.
- 11) It is the applicant's responsibility to keep us advised of any change in the applicant's details, especially any change of address.
- 12) The terms and conditions of use of any facility are shown on the reverse side of any invoice/facility form agreement and are also found within the Tor Bay

Harbour Operational Moorings and Facility Policy.

13) Partnerships must have been registered with the Harbour Authority when the facility was first allocated. Any subsequent changes of ownership or partnership buy out will not be recognised or count towards facility allocation. The Harbour Authority will not recognise shared ownership beyond one third. i.e. a maximum of three partners inclusive of the applicant. All partners must be over the age of 18 and meet the local residence requirements detailed in this policy with regard to facility allocation priority.

### **Note**

### **Torquay Town Dock & Inner Dock Pontoons Priority**

The Town Dock and Inner Dock Pontoon waiting lists are closed when 30 names are registered for each band of berth size and when they are re-opened, names will only be accepted from those people with a primary address in the TQ1 to TQ5 postcode areas, on a first come first served basis, to be confirmed by a check of Council Tax records and/or Electoral Register information.. Town Dock and Torquay Inner Dock Pontoon berths will only be allocated to people outside the TQ1 to TQ5 postcode areas if no waiting list exists.

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### Appendix 3

**Mooring Exchange Scheme** - Torquay Town Dock & Inner Dock

Customers with existing berths on the Town Dock or Inner Dock may be able to exchange their facility for an alternative sized berth.

Customers may be eligible to exchange their allocated berth, so long as they fulfil the following conditions of exchange.

The 12 metre berths will not feature in this scheme.

Exchanged vessels must be of a length appropriate for the alternative sized berth requested.

Original Partnerships recognised during first allotment will remain exactly the same and cannot be added to.

Exchanges may only occur when 'pairs' are authorised by the Harbour Office. Customers will be notified when an exchange can be made, followed by any account for adjustment.

Requests for exchanges will be treated on a first come first served basis and each exchange will be appraised by the Harbour Authority to ensure correct use of facility and compatibility of vessels features.

An administration charge of £50 will apply per applicant and will feature in the account adjustment, when the exchange has taken place.

The decision to approve or decline an exchange request will be based, among other things, on maximising income for the harbour authority and will be at the Harbour Master's complete discretion.

#### Step 1

Complete form for existing berth to *move from* 

#### Step 2

Enter details of preferred facility to *move to* – e.g. 6m 8m 9.14m or 10m

### Step 3

Submit form and wait until a suitable 'pair' is made, then await acknowledgement and further details from the Harbour Office

### Step 4

Move your boat as directed by the Harbour Authority, then pay the balance or receive a refund for the new facility (subject to the inclusion of the administration charge).

The Harbour Authority will reserve any right to withhold an 'exchange' especially if customers have found to have been sub-letting, not conforming to the local TQ1-5 post code restriction or have a history of late payment.



### **Mooring Exchange Scheme – Application**

(TOWN DOCK & INNER DOCK ONLY)

Name:				
Boat Name	:			
LOA				
Facility	Por	ntoon	Numl	per
I wish to mo	ove to	a:- (circ	cle)	
		0.44	40	
<b>6</b> m	<b>8</b> m	<b>9.14</b> m	<b>10</b> m	berth.
Signature				
Date				

Please return completed form to the Harbour Office



Meeting: Harbour Committee Date: 21 September 2020

Wards Affected: All

Report Title: Tor Bay Harbour Arts Policy

Is the decision a key decision? No

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

Cabinet Member Contact Details: Not a Cabinet function

Supporting Officer Contact Details: Adam Parnell, Harbour Master, 01803 853321,

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### 1. Proposal and Introduction

1.1 This report presents a proposed policy to deal with art installations around the harbour estate.

### 2. Reason for Proposal and associated financial commitment

- 2.1 At a previous harbour committee meeting the Harbour Master was directed to develop an arts policy to regulate future art installations around the harbour estate. A draft has now been developed in concert with the Planning department.
- 2.2 There is no financial commitment introduced by this report.

### 3. Recommendation(s) / Proposed Decision

3.1 That the Harbour Committee approve the Harbour Arts Policy.

### **Appendices**

Appendix 1: Tor Bay Harbour Public Art Guide

Appendix 2: Application form.

### **Background Documents**

#### **Report Clearance**

Report clearance:	Reviewed & approved by:	Date:
Chief Executive	Steve Parrock	
Monitoring Officer	Anne-Marie Bond	
Chief Finance Officer	Martin Phillips	

Interim	Director Place Kevin Mowat			
Section	n 1: Background Information			
1.	What is the proposal / issue?			
	1.1 The harbour authority regularly receives requests for temporary or art installations to be erected on or around the harbour estate. In line with other ports and harbours, it is considered prudent to publish an arts policy to regulate and administer such requests in order that decisions can be more coherent, agile and transparent			
2.	What is the current situation?			
	2.1 The Harbour Committee requested that an arts policy be developed to overcome the challenges mentioned above.			
3.	What options have been considered?			
	The following options have been considered:			
	<ul> <li>Not to introduce an arts policy and continue the existing ad hoc decision-making process. This is not recommended as it delivers neither transparency nor consistency.</li> </ul>			
4.	What is the relationship with the priorities within the Partnership Memorandum and the Council's Principles?			
	<ul> <li>This project directly contributes to the following objectives:</li> <li>A Thriving Economy.</li> <li>Thriving People and Communities.</li> <li>A Climate Fit for the Future</li> </ul>			
	It also ensures that the harbour authority:  Uses reducing resources to best effect Reduces demand through prevention and innovation Employs an integrated and joined-up approach with the wider Council and external bodies			
5.	How does this proposal contribute towards the Council's responsibilities as corporate parents?			
	No significant effect.			
6.	How does this proposal/issue tackle poverty, deprivation and vulnerability?			
_	No significant effect.			
7.	How does this proposal tackle inequalities?			

	No significant effect.
8.	Who will be affected by this proposal and who do you need to consult with? How will the Council engage with the community? How can the Council empower the community?
	Consultation is proactively undertaken through dialogue with the harbour forums.

Section 2: Implications and Impact Assessment			
9.	What are the financial and legal implications?  There are no financial or legal implications arising as a result of this report		
10.	What are the risks?  If an arts policy is not developed there is a risk that either:  - Inappropriate art installations are sited on harbour estates  - Appropriate art installations are denied the opportunity to be displayed There is also a risk of continuing to receive requests in an inconsistent and inefficient manner.		
11.	Public Services Value (Social Value) Act 2012  Not applicable		
12.	What evidence / data / research have you gathered in relation to this proposal?  The harbour liaison forums have been consulted on this report		
13.	What are key findings from the consultation you have carried out?  No significant changes		
14.	Amendments to Proposal / Mitigating Actions  None		



















The Harbour Master is able to approve small and non-contentious projects e.g those which do not require planning permission and are of two months or less. Larger scale projects, those which require planning permission or those which will last longer than two months will require Harbour Committee approval.

For further information please contact:

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A guide for artists in

# Torbay Harbours TORBAY



### Introduction

This guide is a new approach for the Harbours team - it responds to recent demand for artists to be involved in the harbours future. It has been informed by current policies and strategies, new opportunities and good practice working with artists in the harbour estate. It has been developed through discussions with Torbay Council, Torbay Culture and the Tor Bay Harbour Authority.

The aims of this guide are to:

- Set out a statement on public art.
- Provide local policy links.
- Set out a clear delivery process.

### Who is this for?

This guide can be used by anyone involved in making public art projects happen in the harbours.

### What is public art?

Public art has been defined as the principle of involving artists in the development and transformation of a place. It can be temporary or permanent, internal or external, standalone features or integrated into Ple public realm. Opportunities could include:

O Sculpture.

- Landmark.
- Interactive.
- Environmental.
- Water based.
- · Lighting.
- · Sensory.

### What are the benefits?

The Harbour Authority endeavours to be supportive, recognising that in the right location, public art can enhance the public realm and act as a positive contribution to place. We know artists can make a significant contribution to the harbours and their identity. Public art can help create a vibrant waterfront and celebrate the cultural richness of the Bay. Benefits include:

- Providing local artists with opportunities.
- Reflecting and interpreting local references such as heritage, landscape and people.
- Attracting investment.
- Encouraging tourism.
- Improving wayfinding.
- Encouraging people to use spaces and bringing them together.
- · Challenge and invite thought and discussion.





### Links to existing strategies and policies

This guide has been informed by a range of strategies and policies including:

- Tor Bay Harbour Port Masterplan [July 2013]
- Cultural Strategy [2014-2024]
- Torbay Local Plan [2012-2030]
- Local Transport Plan [2011-2026]
- Post examination Torquay, Paignton and Brixham Neighbourhood Plans.

### Scope

This guide applies to all public works of art, other installations, exhibitions or static displays on the Harbour estate. It does not apply to religious or festive installations such as Christmas lights, trees or other traditional commemorative decorations.

### General principles

The Harbour Authority will assess proposals against the following general principles:

- The works should not neither pose a Health and Safety risk to the public, nor pollute the environment, nor create an annoyance i.e not be unduly noisy or illuminate neighbouring properties.
- The works should be commemorative in nature, rather than memorial.
- They should not be commercial or for the primary purpose of raising money, or otherwise advertorial.
- They should neither impede safe passage around the estate nor hinder harbour operations.
- The Harbour Authority will generally not contribute to the works either financially or nonfinancially eg through the provision of materials or labour etc.
- The Harbour Authority will not financially underwrite projects.
- The Harbour Authority will generally not accept liability for upkeep or maintenance.
- Ownership of the works will remain with the exhibitor and not transfer to the Harbour Authority.

### Permitted locations

There are no designated locations around the harbour estate for artworks however placement should not impinge upon or impair existing permanent works, such as Vanishing Point on Beacon Quay.

In general only one artwork or exhibition will be permitted in any one location. In exceptional circumstances a maximum of two may be hosted concurrently if it can be shown that each enhances and complements the other.

### Duration of exhibitions

Exhibitions will ordinarily be of a temporary and seasonal nature and not ordinarily more than 6 to 8 months. Requests for permanent artworks may be considered, but these may require planning and other approvals before they are installed.

### Quality, durability and construction

All works should be of high quality and durable with sustainability (e.g reduce, reuse, recycle) considered across all stages of its life cycle. The use of non-recyclable materials such as plastics should be minimised wherever possible and there should also have an identified disposal plan which ideally does not include land-fill.

### Process

Organisations or individuals who wish to create public works of art, other installations, exhibitions or static displays on the Harbour estate should first liaise with the Harbour Master to agree the scope of their project and identify what documentation and permissions may be required. There is a two stage process:

### Stage 1

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- The project's aim and objectives.
- · Background including context, maps, plans.
- Scale, scope and duration.
- Desired location(s) and site description.
- Description of installation and medium (eg sculpture, photography, etc).
- Identifiable constraints/restraints and safety issues.
- Funding, ownership and maintenance responsibilities.

Should this first stage be successful, the Harbour Master will require the following additional information:

### Stage 2

- Any necessary permissions e.g planning permission.
- · A plan which covers the entire project life-cycle from installation to removal.
- A comprehensive risk assessment and intended control measures.
- Proof of Public Liability Insurance (if appropriate).
- Evidence of consultation
   (e.g Town Council, local communities and potentially neighbouring properties).
- · A construction plan which includes the logistics from installation and removal.
- Proof of financial arrangements covering from concept to removal.



### TOR BAY HARBOUR

### Public art application form







### Applicant information

Name
Address
Telephone
Email address
Artist information [if different from above]
Name
Address
Telephone
Email address
Project information
Title
Site
Brief description
Scope, size
Estimated total budget

### Stage 1 requirements

Please submit the following [please tick]:
☐ The project's aim and objectives.
☐ Background including context, maps, plans.
☐ Scale, scope and duration.
☐ Desired location(s) and site description.
☐ Description of installation and medium.
☐ Identifiable constraints/restraints and safety issues.
☐ Funding, ownership and maintenance responsibilities.
Stage 2 requirements
Should stage 1 be successful, we will require the following additional information: [please tick]:
☐ Any necessary permissions e.g planning permission.
☐ A plan which covers the entire project life-cycle from installation to removal.
☐ A comprehensive risk assessment and intended control measures.
☐ Proof of Public Liability Insurance (if appropriate).
☐ Evidence of consultation (e.g Town Council, local communities and neighbouring properties).
$f\square$ A construction plan which includes the logistics from installation and removal.
☐ Proof of financial arrangements covering from concept to removal.

### Please send to:

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### Agenda Item 9



Meeting: Harbour Committee Date: 21st September 2020

Wards Affected: All

Report Title: Tor Bay Harbour Authority Revenue Outturn 2019/20

Is the decision a key decision? No When does the decision need to be implemented? N/A

Cabinet Member Contact Details: Not a Cabinet function

**Supporting Officer Contact Details:** 

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### 1. Proposal and Introduction

1.1 This report provides Members with the details of the Tor Bay Harbour Authority final expenditure and income figures against budget targets for 2019/20

### 2. Reason for Proposal and associated financial commitment

- 2.1 The Tor Bay Harbour Authority budget for 2019/20, based on a 2.0% increase in harbour charges, was approved by Council on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018. Appendix 1 reports the final outturn against this budget and subsequent amendments noted by Committee throughout the year.
- 3. Recommendation(s) / Proposed Decision
- 3.1 The Committee is asked to note:
  - a. the final outturn as reported at Appendix 1 to this report.
  - b. the Harbour Master's use of delegated powers to waive certain harbour charges during 2019/20 which amounts to £5,574.74;

### **Appendices**

Appendix 1: Harbour Revenue Accounts 2019-20

### **Background Documents**

### **Report Clearance**

Report clearance:	Reviewed & approved by:	Date:
Chief Executive	Anne-Marie Bond	
Monitoring Officer	Amanda Barlow	
Chief Finance Officer	Martin Phillips	
Director Place	Kevin Mowat	

### **Section 1: Background Information**

### 1. What is the proposal / issue?

The Tor Bay Harbour Authority budget for 2019/20, based on a 2.0% increase in harbour charges, was approved by Council on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Appendix 1 reports the final outturn against this budget and subsequent amendments noted by Committee throughout the year.

### 2. What is the current situation?

### **Outturn Summary**

The final outturn against the revised budget is summarised below:

	Original Budget 2019/20	Revised Budget 2019/20	Outturn 2019/20
	£000	£000	£000
Operational Surplus/(Deficit)	67	(29)	(15)
Gainshare* – General Fund	(42)	0	0
Gainshare* – Harbour Reserve Shortfall in General Fund	(25)	0	0
contribution*	0	0	(50)
Net Surplus/(Deficit) 2019/20	0	(29)	(65)

<sup>\*</sup>No surplus was generated for gain share. However, the General Fund budget approved by full Council includes an additional £50k from the Harbour Account which will be required. The balance of this contribution is shown separately and will impact the Harbour Reserve.

#### **Prudential Borrowing**

The harbour's liability for prudential borrowing at the end of 2019/20 was:

Capital Scheme	Amount Borrowed	Start of Repayments	Principal outstanding
Town Dock (Torquay Harbour)	£1,140,000	2008/09	£538,680
Haldon Pier (Torquay Harbour)	£1,200,000	2010/11	£867,749
Brixham Harbour New Fish Quay Development	£4,750,000	2011/12	£3,785,534
Torquay Inner Harbour Pontoons (Inner Dock)	£800,000	2014/15	£680,506
	TOTAL		£5,872,469

#### **Debt position**

The debt position at the end of 2019/20 was:

	Corporate Debtor System		Harbour Charges	
	< 60 > 60 days		< 60 days	> 60 days
Debt outstanding	£44k	£38k	£6k	£20k
Bad Debt Provision	£14k			

#### Reserves

In 2011 the Harbour Committee set a reserve target of 20% of budgeted turn-over. This has been missed for a number of consecutive years and it is now very likely that the Reserve will be depleted by 2022.

### 3. What is the relationship with the priorities within the Partnership Memorandum and the Council's Principles?

A safe, efficient and self-financing harbour positively contributes to the following priorities:

- A Thriving Economy
- A Council Fit for the Future

### 5. How does this proposal/issue contribute towards the Council's responsibilities as corporate parents?

N/A

### 6. How does this proposal/issue tackle poverty, deprivation and vulnerability?

Tor Bay harbour is a regional focus for maritime-related employment: it is a thriving maritime recreational and leisure hub of national renown and also accommodates the largest fishing port in England and Wales by value of catch landed.

A healthy, safe and efficient Bay is also a key driver for non-maritime sectors such as tourism, environment, R&D etc

7. How does the proposal/issue impact on people with learning disabilities?

	No discernible impact
8.	Who will be affected by this proposal and who do you need to consult with? How will the Council engage with the community? How can the Council empower the community?
	All harbour stakeholders, including maritime and non- maritime businesses are affected.
	Consultation is effected through regular harbour stakeholder liaison forums who are empowered to provide feedback via the Harbour Committee to the Council

Section 2	2: Implications and Impact Assessment
9.	What are the financial and legal implications?
	The deficit for 2019/20 will be met from the Harbour Reserve. There are further calls on the Reserve through ongoing capital schemes and potential revenue deficits in future years.
	The Harbour finances are currently not being run in accordance with the DfT's Ports Good Governance Guidance (March 2018). While not a statutory publication this is considered national 'best practice' for the ports industry.
10.	What are the risks?
	There is a risk that harbour reserves will be depleted by 2022 and thereafter there is a risk that the Harbour will require a General Fund precept to retain a balanced budget.
	If quayside facilities and services do not remained aligned with user need/requirements then there is a risk that incomes will decline.
11.	Public Services Value (Social Value) Act 2012
	N/A
12.	What evidence / data / research have you gathered in relation to this proposal?
	Feedback from harbour users and liaison forums Feedback from Committee members Feedback from fishing industry leaders Previous Harbour Committee reports
13.	What are key findings from the consultation you have carried out?

		There is disquiet amongst harbour stakeholders that despite high revenue incomes the harbour budget is likely to be in deficit at year end					
14	4.	Amendments to Proposal / Mitigating Actions					
		None					

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# Agenda Iter Appendix 1

#### HARBOUR REVENUE ACCOUNTS 2019/20 - OUTTURN

#### **TOR BAY HARBOUR AUTHORITY**

Expenditure	2019/20 Original Budget	2019/20 Revised Budget	2019/20 Outturn	Not
·	£ ,000	£ ,000	£ ,000	
Harbour Employee Costs	630	601	612	1
Premises Costs:-				
Repairs and Maintenance	319	453	261	2
Energy & Water	189	189	268	3
Cleaning & Waste	92	129	124	4
Other Premises & Insurance costs	86	125	130	5
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Operational Costs:- Security Services including CCTV	87	133	132	
Professional Services	54	94	69	6
Equipment and V&P	39	74	91	7
Other Services	108	108	108	'
General & administration expenses	72	66	89	
Internal Support Services	175	181	181	
User Charges Concessions	11	14	15	
Capital Charges	498	498	498	
Revenue Contribution to Capital	0	0	49	
Contribution to General Fund - EHO	25	25	25	
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Opening Balance as at 1st April

Interest Receivable
Net Surplus / (Deficit) from Revenue Account
Contribution to Revenue
Capital Funding

Expected Closing Balance as at 31st March

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	2019/20 Original Budget £ ,000	2019/20 Current Budget £,000	2019/20 Outturn £ ,000	Notes
Expenditure brought forward	3,187	3,492	3,454	
Income				
Rents and Rights :- Property and Other Rents/Rights Marina Rental	549 442	566 463	590 461	
Operating Income :- Harbour Dues Visitor and Slipway	151 64	149 64	172 74	8
Mooring fees Pontoon Berths	203 587	218 588	213 587	9
Fish Toll Income Recharged Services	978 103	925 111	993 136	10 11
Harbour Facilities charges Licences & Contractor passes	85 28	80 28	82 31	
Reserved Car Parking Miscellaneous & Administration charges	37 27	37 29	43 46	
Contributions from Reserve	0	205	11	12
	3,254	3,463	3,439	
Operating Surplus /(Deficit)	67	(29)	(15)	
Gain share contribution to General Fund Gain share Contribution to Harbour Reserve Shortfall in Council contribution	(42) (25)	0	0 0 (50)	13
Net Surplus /(Deficit)	(0)	(29)	(65)	

Note: In line with Harbour Committee minute 398 (5) December 2011 the minimum Reserve level at year end 2019/20 is £637k based on 20% of budgeted turnover to meet any deficit in the revenue budget or winter storm damage. The balance is earmarked for harbour related capital projects.

#### **NOTES**

- Savings were achieved through vacancy management but offset by an increase in a year end adjustment to pension contributions based on the full budgeted establishment.
- 2 Significant Health & Safety works were required particularly at Brixham Harbour to be funded from the Harbour Reserve. These works have now been reclassified and transferred to the Council's capital accounts. Planned maintenance of Brixham moorings were also capitalised with a funding contribution from revenue (see note 15).
- 3 Energy costs have increased and useage is being monitored. Both energy and water costs are recharged where possible to harbour users (see note 11).
- 4 Additional waste charges from the Fish Market were incurred as well as costs of fully cleaning a contaminated oil tank.
- 5 Additional pressures have arisen arise from NNDR liabilities and rising marine insurance premiums.
- The Head of Tor Bay Harbour Authority increased the level of external security to provide 24 hour cover at Brixham Harbour.

  Harbour Committee approved expenditure of up to £60k Northern Arm feasibility studies to be funded from Reserve (see note 14). At year end £11k had been applied.
- 7 Various items were required during the year including a replacement CCTV camera and new kayak racks.
- 8 Income from commercial vessels exceeded budget expectations.
- 9 Income from private and passenger craft were slightly below revised target levels due to dropping of facilities at Brixham.
- 10 Fish toll income levels were buoyant during the winter months.
- 11 This heading includes the recharging of energy and water to harbour users (see note 3).
- 12 Reserve funding for Brixham Improvement Scheme feasibility costs. The previously reported funding of £165k for Health & Safety works per note 2 has now been transferred to capital.
- 13 The operating deficit for the year means no gain share contribution to the General Fund as originally budgeted. However, the General Fund budget approved by full Council includes an additional £50k from the Harbour Account which has been applied. The balance of this contribution is shown seperately impacts the Harbour Reserve.
- Harbour Committee approved a withdrawal of £60,000 to fund initial feasibility costs of the Brixham Improvement Scheme. £11k spent in 2019/20.
- Funding of spending on approved capital schemes in year:
  Torquay Pontoons (£46k), Brixham Health & Safety works (£71k), Brixham water meters (£72k), Brixham CCTV upgrade (£79k) and Brixham forklift (£22k)



Meeting: Harbour Committee Date: 21st September 2020

Wards Affected: All

Report Title: Tor Bay Harbour Budget Monitoring 2020-21

Is the decision a key decision? No When does the decision need to be implemented? N/A

Cabinet Member Contact Details: Not a Cabinet function

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### 1. Proposal and Introduction

1.1 This report updates the Committee on the overall budgetary position for Tor Bay Harbour Authority as at August 2020 compared against the budget approved on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

#### 2. Reason for Proposal and associated financial commitment

2.1 As a standing agenda item, this report is presented to each Committee meeting to enable appropriate oversight and action to contain expenditure and maintain reserves at appropriate levels.

### 3. Recommendation(s) / Proposed Decision

- 3.1 The Committee is asked to note:
  - a. the amended outturn projections and adjustments to the Reserve Funds (Appendix 1);
  - b. that harbour reserves are projected to be depleted to £0 in 2021.
  - c. the Head of Torbay Harbour Authority's' use of delegated powers to make decisions in relation to the harbour budget;
  - d. the Harbour Master's use of delegated powers to waive certain harbour charges which to date amounts to £11,449;
  - e. that the loan made in November 2014 of £86,000 from Harbour Committee reserves to another Council department remains outstanding;

### **Appendices**

Appendix 1: Harbour Revenue Accounts 2020-21

### **Background Documents**

**DfT Ports Good Governance Guidance** 

### Report Clearance

Report clearance:	Reviewed & approved by:	Date:
Chief Executive	Anne-Marie Bond	
Monitoring Officer	Amanda Barlow	
Chief Finance Officer	Martin Phillips	
Director Place	Kevin Mowat	

### **Section 1: Background Information**

### 1. What is the proposal / issue?

The 2020/21 Tor Bay Harbour Authority budget was approved by the Committee on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and an update is presented to each Harbour Committee meeting to enable appropriate action to contain expenditure and maintain reserves at appropriate levels.

### 2. What is the current situation?

Covid-19 has reduced income, although it is anticipated that a proportion of losses may be recovered through government grant.

Continuing levels of contribution to the General Fund and an uplift to the level of recharged support services has significantly increased overall expenditure.

The harbour revenue account is projected to be in deficit at year end.

	Original Budget £000	Revised Budget £000	Projected Outturn £000
Operational surplus/(deficit)	0	0	(117)
Gainshare* – General Fund	0	0	0
Gainshare* – Harbour Reserve	0	0	0
Shortfall in General Fund contribution*	0	0	(50)
Net Surplus/(Deficit) 2020/21	0	0	(167)

### Capital Schemes

The current progress of Harbour capital schemes is detailed below:

	Budget	Actual to date	Proj' Outturn	Notes
	£000	£000	£000	
Oxen Cove Jetty	2,500	2,482	2,482	(i)
Victoria Breakwater	3,893	3,784	3,784	(ii)
Harbour Light Redevelopment	800	715	800	(iii)
Water Meters in Brixham	110	110	110	(iv)
CCTV Upgrade in Brixham	86	79	86	(v)

- (i) The approved budget for this scheme has increased to £2.5m following formal negotiations surrounding Compensation Event Notices issued by main contractor. The MMO is providing a maximum EMFF grant of £1.6m and it is now anticipated that the Council borrowing for the scheme will be no more than £1m.
- (ii) Project fees have increased the total cost of the scheme.
- (iii) Works are complete, on budget and the restaurant opened in March.
- (iv) Full implementation delayed due to furloughed contractors.
- (v) On track 3 further cameras to be installed.

### **Prudential borrowing**

Capital Scheme	Amount Borrowed	Start of Repayments	£ Principal outstanding
Town Dock (Torquay)	£1,140,000	2008/09	£481,058
Haldon Pier (Torquay)	£1,200,000	2010/11	£825,855
Brixham New Fish Quay Development	£4,750,000	2011/12	£3,673,231
Torquay Inner Harbour Pontoons	£800,000	2014/15	£657,278
Brixham Harbour Jetty	£840,000	2020/21	£829,476
	TO	£6,466,898	

### **Debt position**

	Corporate Debtor System		Harbour	Charges
	< 60 days	> 60 days	< 60 days	> 60 days
Debt outstanding	£32k	£121k	£59k	£184k
Bad Debt Provision	£15k			

#### Reserves

In 2011 the Harbour Committee set a reserve target of 20% of budgeted turn-over. This has been missed for a number of consecutive years and it is now very likely that the Reserve will be depleted by 2022.

### 3. What is the relationship with the priorities within the Partnership Memorandum and the Council's Principles?

A safe, efficient and self-financing harbour positively contributes to the following priorities:

- A Thriving Economy
- A Council Fit for the Future

### 5. How does this proposal/issue contribute towards the Council's responsibilities as corporate parents?

N/A

### 6. How does this proposal/issue tackle poverty, deprivation and vulnerability?

Tor Bay harbour is a regional focus for maritime-related employment: it is a thriving maritime recreational and leisure hub of national renown and also accommodates the largest fishing port in England and Wales by value of catch landed.

A healthy, safe and efficient Bay is also a key driver for non-maritime sectors such as tourism, environment, R&D etc

7. How does the proposal/issue impact on people with learning disabilities?

No discernible impact

8. Who will be affected by this proposal and who do you need to consult with? How will the Council engage with the community? How can the Council empower the community?

All harbour stakeholders, including maritime and non-maritime businesses are affected.

Consultation is effected through regular harbour stakeholder liaison forums who are empowered to provide feedback via the Harbour Committee to the Council

Section 2	Section 2: Implications and Impact Assessment				
9.	What are the financial and legal implications?				
	The Harbour account for 2020-21 is projected to be in deficit at year-end.				
	The Harbour finances are currently <u>not</u> run in accordance with the DfT's Ports Good Governance Guidance (March 2018).				
10.	What are the risks?				
	Harbour reserves are depleted in 2021-22 and thereafter the Harbour Authority requires a General Fund precept to retain a balanced budget.				
	Lean maintenance budgets and staffing both increase the risk that infrastructure will fail and there is a risk that statutory obligations to operate a safe and efficient harbour are breached.				
11.	Public Services Value (Social Value) Act 2012				

	N/A			
12. What evidence / data / research have you gathered in relation to this proposal?				
	Feedback from :			
	- harbour users and liaison forums (online)			
	- Committee members			
	- fishing industry stakeholders			
	- previous Harbour Committee reports			
13.	What are key findings from the consultation you have carried out?			
	There remains disquiet amongst harbour stakeholders that despite high revenue incomes the services offered by the Authority continue to decline.			
14.	Amendments to Proposal / Mitigating Actions			
	Review funds transferred to Central Fund.			

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# Agenda Item Appendix 1

#### HARBOUR REVENUE ACCOUNTS 2020/21 - BUDGET MONITORING

#### **TOR BAY HARBOUR AUTHORITY**

Expenditure	2020/21 Original Budget £ ,000	2020/21 Current Budget £ ,000	2020/21 Projected Outturn £ ,000	Notes
Harbour Employee Costs	651	651	651	
Premises Costs:-				
Repairs and Maintenance Energy & Water	322 184	322 184	304 228	1 2
Cleaning & Waste Other Premises & Insurance costs	107 115	107 115	107 115	
Operational Costs:- Security Services including CCTV Professional Services Equipment and V&P Other Services General & administration expenses Internal Support Services	141 59 45 107 83 185	141 59 45 107 83 185	141 59 45 110 63 239	3 4
User Charges Concessions	14	14	14	4
Capital Charges	537	537	539	
Contribution to General Fund - EHO Contribution to General Fund	25 802	25 802	25 802	
	3,377	3,377	3,442	

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Opening Balance as at 1st April

Interest Receivable (estimated)
Net Surplus / (Deficit) from Revenue Account
Contribution to Revenue
Capital Funding

Expected Closing Balance as at 31st March

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	2020/21 Original Budget £,000	2020/21 Current Budget £,000	2020/21 Projected Outturn £ ,000	Notes
Expenditure brought forward	3,377	3,377	3,442	
Income				
Rents and Rights :- Property and Other Rents/Rights Marina Rental	607 453	607 453	563 453	5
Operating Income :- Harbour Dues Visitor and Slipway Mooring fees Pontoon Berths Fish Toll Income Recharged Services Harbour Facilities charges Licences & Contractor passes	154 65 206 598 982 135 82 29	79 65 281 598 982 135 82 29	58 56 256 591 900 153 66 35	6 6 6 7 8 6
Reserved Car Parking Miscellaneous & Administration charges	38 28	38 28	30 39	6
Covid-19 income grant	0	0	125	9
	3,377	3,377	3,325	
Operating Surplus /(Deficit)	0	0	(117)	
Gain share contribution to General Fund Gain share Contribution to Harbour Reserve Shortfall in Council contribution	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 (50)	10
Net Surplus /(Deficit)	0		(167)	

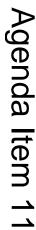
Note: In line with Harbour Committee minute 398 (5) December 2011 the minimum Reserve level at year end 2020/21 is £675k based on 20% of budgeted turnover to meet any deficit in the revenue budget or winter storm damage. The balance is earmarked for harbour related capital projects.

### HARBOUR REVENUE ACCOUNTS 2020/21 - BUDGET MONITORING

#### **NOTES**

- 1 A number of outer moorings have been removed at Brixham due to falling demand. Maintenance costs will reduce accordingly.
- 2 The budget for electricity charges has been re-based in line with previous year actuals.
- 3 Expenditure moratorium savings are targeted over a number of headings.
- 4 Charges for corporate and governance services have been discounted in previous years but are being applied in full from 2020/21
- There has been no take up of boat booking kiosk sites at Torquay Harbour for the current year tender with a resulting loss of income of £35k. The rent for Harbour Light at Paignton is reduced for the first year under the terms of the lease.
- A shortfall is anticipated over a number of income headings following the impact of Covid-19. An allocation of government grant funding to be received by the Council is estimated at note 9.
- 7 Fishing and market operations were shut down during the lockdown period. Fish toll levels may remain volatile subject to continuing Covid-19 developments and the final european trade agreement.
- 8 Further recharges for electricity usage are expected although implementation may be delayed until new systems are fully in place.
- 9 As part of it's Covid-19 financial assistance package the government is making grants to local authorities in respect of lost income from sales fees and charges. The allocation of the estimated grant is based on an initial submission and is subject to change when the terms of the grant are finalised.
- The financial performance is unlikely to generate sufficient surplus for a gain share contribution to the General Fund. However, the General Fund budget for 2019/20 approved by full Council included an additional £50k to the base Harbour Account contribution which will be required. The balance of this contribution is shown seperately and will impact the Harbour Reserve.
- 11 Residual funding of approved capital schemes Brixham water metering (£38k), Brixham Northern Arm viability costs (£34k), Health & Safety works (£93k).

  The proposed dredging at Brixham Harbour (estimated £150k) has been put on hold until the projected level of the Reserve can be increased.





Meeting: Harbour Committee Date: 21 Sept 2020

Wards Affected: All wards in Torbay

Report Title: Port Marine Safety Code and Health & Safety matters

Is the decision a key decision? No

When does the decision need to be implemented?

Cabinet Member Contact Details: Not a Cabinet Function

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### 1. Proposal and Introduction

- 1.1 This is a standing Harbour Committee agenda item to provide an update on PMSC matters and ongoing Health and Safety issues.
- 1.2 The Harbour Committee is the nominated *Duty Holder* and the Devon Audit Partnership are the appointed Designated Person.
- 2. Reason for Proposal and associated financial commitments
- 2.1 Torbay Council, as the Statutory Harbour Authority, adheres to the requirements of the PMSC (the national standard for port safety) to "improve safety for those who use or work in ports, their ships, passengers and cargoes, and the environment".

- 2.2 The PMSC is neither mandatory nor creates new legal duties. While failure to comply is not an offence, it is recognised 'good practice'so failure to adhere to the Code may be indicative of a harbour authority being in breach of certain legal duties.
- 2.3 Since the last Harbour Committee meeting, SHE Assure has been introduced as the Council's H&S Management System IT tool and sits alongside MARNIS which is the Harbour's Marine Safety Management System IT tool. To avoid duplication it has been agreed that all incidents from the top of the slipway/pontoon gate and landward are recorded on SHE and all incidents seaward of that boundary are recorded in MARNIS.
- 2.4 A 100% review of all H&S Risk Assessments has been undertaken and these have been uploaded into SHE, and the 100% review of all associated Safe Systems of Work (SSOW) and/or Method Statements is ongoing, with an expected completion date of 01 Nov.
- 2.5 Over the summer two incidents were reported to the HSE one being a 'whistleblowing' report from an employee regarding the use of the waste compactor in Brixham and another by a member of the public regarding a marine contractor operating in Torquay. The former has been independently audited by the SWISCO Occupational Safety Officer who found only minor issues but agreed that safety had not been breached and thus the report is viewed as a False Alarm with Good Intent. The latter is being pursued directly between HSE and the contractor concerned.
- 2.6 **PMSC incidents**: There are 3 of note: two incidents of commercial vessels pumping out their bilges inside an enclosed harbour resulting in an oily-water discharge, one report of a commercial fishing vessel speeding in Torquay harbour and one incident of a yacht sailing under the Torquay bridge as it was closing (near miss). Actions that have been implemented as a result of these incidents includes:
  - Commercial MFV being reminded of the prohibition on pumping bilges in harbours;
  - The speeding vessel being informed that their mooring will be withdrawn from 31 March 2021; and
  - A reminder to staff regarding emergency bridge procedures and the owner of the vessel concerned rebriefed.
- 2.7 **Health and Safety incidents**: There are 8 incidents (all minor) of note: 5 slips, trips and falls, one incident of deliberate arson on the quayside, one occasion where a vessel owner used a grinder without obtaining a 'hot works' permit (resulting in other vessel's being cosmetically damaged by hot sparks) and a chemical burn received by a staff member who was not wearing PPE correctly. All of these have been addressed.
- 2.8 This proposal does not commit the Harbour Authority to expenditure not already approved.

### 3. Recommendation(s) / Proposed Decision

### 3.1 That the report is noted.

### **Appendices**

None

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### **Background Documents**

The Port Marine Safety Code – November 2016 (DfT & MCA) <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/564723/port-marine-safety-code.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/564723/port-marine-safety-code.pdf</a>

A Guide to Good Practice on Port Marine Operations – April 2018 (DfT & MCA) <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/a-guide-to-good-practice-on-port-marine-operations">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/a-guide-to-good-practice-on-port-marine-operations</a>

### **Report Clearance**

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