

Appendix 3A
Harbours Committee 25 September 2019
Lyme Regis Harbour Budget Monitoring Report Summary for 2019/20

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 a. The Lyme Regis Harbour Budget is predicted to return a year end overspend of £55,692.
- b. The predicted year end position of the Harbour Reserve is £71,039.
- 1.2 The forecast overspend for Lyme Regis Harbour this year is due to unexpected repairs that will be necessary to the slipway which currently presents a safety concern. However, there is an opportunity as part of this work to reconfigure the area around the slipway to generate additional trailer parking income for the harbour. Setting aside this expenditure, the harbour is forecast to perform as expected with some savings being made in staff budgets.

2. Revenue Budget Expenditure: Overall £55,692 (A)

- 2.1 The main variances to budget predictions are as follows:

Employees: £13,308 (F)

There has been a saving on the Harbour Master post, as the post holder has been covering both Bridport and Lyme Harbours this summer and costs are being split between the two harbours. In addition, there was a gap before recruitment of seasonal staff and seasonal casual staff have been doing fewer hours than in previous years.

Transport: £ 4,000 (A)

We are currently predicting an overspend in the transport budget because of unexpected repairs and maintenance costs linked to the harbour's JCB. Deterioration in the vehicle has been accelerated by the environment in which it operates, and the Committee will need to consider options for replacement over the next year or so.

Supplies and Services: £65,000 (A)

The bottom of the slipway at Lyme Regis Harbour is becoming undermined and is also cracking. There is a step forming at the end of the slipway which presents a hazard to those using it. It is proposed that the slipway is extended around 5 metres in order to solve this problem. The Harbour Master will be working with DC engineers to consider options and opportunities to create additional space as

part of these works which can generate additional income for the harbour in the future. It is expected that these works will cost in the region of £50k.

Based on recent independent advice from marine lawyers, there is a necessity for Lyme Regis to have a Harbour Revision Order in place to update legislation for the harbour. The cost of preparing the HRO and taking it through the application process will be in the region of £30k, but this will span over two financial years. We estimate an expenditure of £15k this year.

3. Revenue Budget Income: Overall on budget

3.1 We are forecasting harbour income to come in on budget, around £161k.

4. Reserve Movements: £25,000

4.1 £25,000 is budgeted for transfer to a harbour dredging reserve. With a balance brought forward from previous years, the reserve is predicted to be £71,039 at the end of the year.