

Bridport (West Bay) & Lyme Regis Harbours Report

Harbours Committee
16th March 2022



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Bridport Harbour Statistics as of 01 February 2022

- Season tickets, day launches and visiting boat nights have not increased since last reporting which is normal for this time of year.

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Season Tickets	98	118	108	74	85
Single Launches	513	415	454	504	525
Visiting Boats Nights	136	138	183	67	167
Boat Lifts (New 2018)		62 £8,804	76 £9,463	63 £7715.35	68 £8641,12
Quay Side Parking	£3,690	£4,566	£6,015,42	£5,617.52	£9,555.42
Shop (New 2018)		£7,917	£21,042.01	£15,943.90	£32,312.38
Diving Air Fills	£19,455	£18,352	£15,522.68	£13,006.26	£13,936.27
Boat Repairs (New 2018)		£411	12,517.06	£6,292.08	£15,390.37
Waiting List – Leisure	36	40	14	31	37
Commercial				6	6
Leisure Moorings (out of 137)	141	141	139	139	124
Commercial Moorings (out of 26)	22	22	25	24	26

- The shop and boat repairs continue to increase are being well used.
- Our suppliers offer extra discounts in October, this has been taken full advantage of.
- The diving compressor continues to be well used by commercial divers from both harbours, although leisure use has seen a reduction this year.
- The waiting list for leisure has increased, this will help us towards our goal of achieving 100% occupancy for next season.
- Mooring occupancy is currently 90% for private and 100% for commercial.
- This normal for this time of year while we deal with mooring holders relinquishing and mooring offers going out to new customers.

Lyme Regis Harbour Statistics as of 01 February 2022

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Season Tickets	51	63	39	54	61
Single Launches	165	180	217	213	211
Visiting Boats Nights	210	340	223	185	375
Boat Lifts	68	75	76 £11,248	61 £7450.33	90 £11,451.46
Quay Side Parking		£250	£4,066	£4828.33	£15,081.57
Shop (New July 2021)					£5076.65
Waiting List – Leisure	28	20	28	24	32
Commercial				11	11
Leisure Moorings (out of 211)	206	208	177	193	195
Commercial Moorings (out of 35)	36	36	37	34	35

- Season tickets, day launches and visiting boat nights have not increased since last reporting which is normal for this time of year.
- Visiting boat nights has seen a large increase this year. Pontoons and visitor buoys were full on many occasions.
- Quayside parking has been a great asset to the harbour this year and has been well used.
- The waiting list remains strong.
- Mooring occupancy is 92% for private and 100% for commercial.
- This normal for this time of year while we deal with mooring holders relinquishing and mooring offers going out to new customers.

Harbour Works

Both Harbours

- New websites for boat harbours have been developed over the winter, these are due to go live towards the end of March. We have used the same website developer as Weymouth so they will follow a similar format.
- New features such as online incident reporting, access to Harbour event information and news will be available to our customers.
- Pontoons have been going through refurbishment.
- Dredging of the outer harbour at Bridport and the entrance and pontoon area at Lyme Regis will take place using previous methods towards the end of April.



- This programme is scheduled to be running through March.
- Beach replenishment works at Lyme will also be carried out in March.

Lyme Regis

Harbour and Fishermen's storage building:

- The builder has been appointed.
- There has been an increase in costs due to changes to plans and rising material cost which has meant we need to apply for further funding. We will be applying to the Fisheries and Seafood Scheme which is administered by the MMO on behalf of Defra.
- We are still working closely with the Blue Marine Foundation to assist and accommodate the Fishermen with their cold room and ice making equipment.
- We are also working with Western Power, they are due to upgrade an existing Sub Station within the site of the new store and we hope to tie the works in together.

Bridport Harbour

Timber piles:

- The works were started early February and completed within 3 weeks.



- The works area covered half the East Basin
- Enquiries have been made to purchase further timbers while stocks are still available from Bournemouth.

Diver air station building/Stock room

- Work to clear the site started early February.
- Steel frame for the building is due to go up early March.
- The building should be finished early April.
- Compressor and storage banks will be installed on completion following testing.

Accidents and Incidents / PMSC Issues

- No reportable events.

Staff Training

- 4 x VHF course
- 4 x First Aid Course

Storm Eunice

- Both Harbours fared well in the recent storms and the sea defences stood up well.
- Damaged occurred at Lyme to the roof on the Cobb building's
- Power cables were brought down in West Bay
- For the first time the flood barrier was installed on the Esplanade at West Bay, Harbour staff and Coastal Engineers worked late into the evening setting it up in readiness for the following mornings high tide.



Aids to Navigation

- Aids to navigation were inspected by Trinity House on 7th & 8th February

Inspection of Local Aids to Navigation, Merchant Shipping Act, 1995, Section 198(1)

We wish to advise you that the local aids to navigation under the management of **West Dorset District Council** at Bridport were inspected on 07/02/2022 by an Officer of Trinity House and were found to be in good and efficient order, except for the following:

Place	AtoN No	Aid To Navigation	Aid Type	Defect
P095 2	N15218	East Pier Head	Lighted Beacon	Light Extinguished

Inspection of Local Aids to Navigation, Merchant Shipping Act, 1995, Section 198(1)

We are pleased to advise you that the local aids to navigation under the management of **West Dorset District Council** at Lyme Regis and Ringstead were inspected on 07/02/2022 and 08/02/2022 by an Officer of Trinity House and found to be in good and efficient order

- The defects relating to Bridport were found to be tripped power supply.

Maritime and Local Events

Bridport

- Bridport Round Table cancelled their Boxing Day swim
- Harbours supported Bridport and West Bay with the installation of their Christmas Trees using the Harbour Telehandler.
- West Bay Days are planning to hold all their main events
 - Pirates Day (Platinum edition) 4th June
 - West Bay Day 7th August
 - Bonfire By the Beach 29th October
- Triathlon 19th June
- Gig Regatta 2nd July
- Power Boat racing 8th -11th July

Lyme Regis

- The Lyme Lunge went ahead on New Year's Day and was very well attended.
- Harbour supported Lyme Regis with the installation of their Christmas Tree using the Harbour Telehandler.
- LRSC will host many sailing events
- Master's Gig Regatta 9th April
- Gig Regatta 13th August
- Candles On The Cobb 28th August