

Bridport (West Bay) & Lyme Regis Harbours Report

Harbours Advisory Committee
22 November 2023



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Bridport (West Bay) and Lyme Regis Harbour Master

Bridport Harbour Statistics as of 31st October 2023

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2022/23 (October 22)	2023/24 (October 23)	Against Previous Year Profile
Season Tickets	74	85	82	82	85	3.6%
Single Launches	504	525	489	489	404	-19%
Visiting Boats Nights	67	167	157	157	163	3.75%
Boat Lifts	63 £7715.35	69 £9,033.62	71 £11,098	57 £7,438.33	36 £5,535.00	-45.16%
Quay Side Parking	£5,617.52	£9,763.75	£8,478	£8,469.16	£9,932.90	15.90%
Shop	£15,943.90	£37,799.73	£26,278.66	£16,641.55	£14,617.20	-12.96%
Diving Air Fills	£13,006.26	£14,134.03	£28,239.16	£26,700.00	£22,007.06	-19.05%
Boat Repairs	£6,292.08	£18,158.28	£13,337.29	£7,756.87	£1,239.78	-144.87%
Waiting List – Leisure	31	37	17	33	24	-31.57%
Commercial	6	6	6	6	6	0%
Leisure Moorings (out of 137)	139	124	124	134	132	-1.5%
Commercial Moorings (out of 26)	24	26	23	23	18	-24.39%

- Season tickets and day launches are comparable to last year.
- Boat lifts look low compared to this time last year this is because many boat lifts were completed before April 1st
- Quayside parking has seen an increase compared to last year but due to the weather is lower than expected.
- The shop has remained steady, and we intend to do some winter promotions to keep this going to make up for any potential shortfall from the parts that would be used by the boat repairs.
- Boat repairs are currently down due to the post being vacant.
- Mooring occupancy is currently 96% for private and 69% for commercial.

Lyme Regis Harbour Statistics as of 31st October 2023

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2022/23 (October 22)	2023/24 (October 23)	Against Previous Year Profile
Season Tickets	54	61	79	79	78	-1.27%
Single Launches	213	211	249	249	158	-44.71%
Visiting Boats Nights	185	375	412	412	313	-27.31%
Boat Lifts	61 £7450.33	112 £14,722.22	90 £10,231.01	54 £6,991.01	53 £8,041.67	-1.86%
Quay Side Parking	£4828.33	£15,535.74	£21,827.13	£17,489.20	£16,622.65	-5.08%
Shop (New July 2021)		£6,626.02	£8753.10	£6,589.17	£6,810.37	3.30%
Waiting List – Leisure	24	32	20	33	25	-27.58%
Commercial	11	11	11	12	09	-28.57%
Leisure Moorings (out of 209)	193	195	195	188	195	3.65%
Commercial Moorings (out of 35)	34	35	35	35	34	-2.89%

- Season tickets are comparable to last year.
- Single launches are down due to the weather.
- Visiting boat nights are down due to the weather.
- Quayside parking has been well used for this season and figures are up on quayside parking but are reported slightly lower due to income from ANPR parking still to come and fishermen winter parking no longer available due to the area being taken over for the new store.
- The shop is also performing well and is up compared to this time last year.
- Mooring allocation is up compared to last year, with a waiting list for mainly larger moorings.
- Mooring occupancy is 93% for private and 92% for commercial.

Staff, training and Competency

- Completed Courses
 - Sea Survival

- VHF
- Power Boat Level 2
- Planned Courses
 - The Harbour Master 3 day course
 - Day Skipper
 - First Aid

Harbour Consultative Group

- Both HCG met in October, these will be reported upon by the groups Chairs.

Harbour Revision Order (HRO)

- No further update, still waiting for response from MMO.

Harbour Works

Both Harbours

Dredging Plans

- We are working alongside our Project Engineers to bring a dredging and beach replenishment programme together ready for the 24/25 works.

Lyme Regis

Harbour storage building

- National Grid have been given planning permission to move the pole
- Works to do this are planned to start on 27th November
- Completion of pole moving works is 8th December
- Contractor is aiming to be on site in January
- Completion is estimated to be by April 24

Bridport Harbour

Quay Wall

- Quay wall in the West basin is being monitored and more details will be reported on in the FCERM update.
- The area closed in October due to the surface becoming no longer safe to walk on.

Accidents and Incidents / PMSC Issues

- Commercial vessel broke free from its moorings in Bridport during high winds
- Two vessels in Bridport were washed of their stands during the recent storm
- Over 200 ton of pebble from Monmouth beach was washed into the harbour at Lyme Regis
- A further 200 ton was left on the Cobb surface

- James Hannon reported at our last committee meeting the audit for Bridport from March
- The report showed that Bridport was compliant to the code
- In the report there were 0 reds and 12 ambers
- 8 of the ambers have been addressed with the aim to complete the remaining ones by next committee

Aids to Navigation

- No failures since last reporting.
- Availability 99.54% out of a target of 97%
- **Inspection of Local Aids to Navigation, Merchant Shipping Act, 1995, Section 198**
- We are pleased to advise you that the audit of the records of the availability of the local aids to navigation under the management of Dorset Council was satisfactorily carried out on 23/10/2023 by an Officer of Trinity House and everything was found in good order and there were no matters arising which require further comment.

Maritime and Local Events

Bridport

- West Bay Days are planning to hold all their main events.
 - Bonfire By the Beach 28th October (In partnership with Bridport Roundtable) postponed until 11th November due to weather.
- Boxing Day swim

Lyme Regis

- New Year's Day swim