

Newport Harbour Safety Report – September to December

Newport

Month	Over nights	Short stays
September 2021	237	14
October 2021.	71	3
November 2021	22	2
December 2021	2	1

Folly (including Long term visitors' vessels)

Month	Over nights	Short stays
September 2021	307	90
October 2021.	51	16
November 2021	190	0
December 2021	190	0

Risk register

Navigation Rank (highest rated)

- Leisure vessel/s Contacting at Folly, Possible Causes could be: Human error; Adverse weather conditions; Poor visibility; Mechanical failure; etc.
- Commercial (Passenger) vessel Collision with Commercial (Passenger) vessel at Folly. Possible Causes could be: Human error; Adverse weather conditions; Poor visibility; Mechanical failure; etc.

Operational information

- Operating times for Folly staff during September 2021 where: Mooring Collections 10.00 to 20.00 Monday - Friday, Sunday 09.00 – 18.00. This was reduced as demand decreased to Mooring Collections 12.00 to 14.00 & 18.00 - 19.00, Monday - Friday, Taxi was operated on request. Water Taxi & Mooring Collection Saturday 11.00 – 18.00 and Sunday 11.00 – 14.00 in December.
- Designated persons monthly catch-up meeting was held on the 28.09.2021, 27.10.2021, 22.11.2021 and 14.12.2021.
- The IOW Festival was held from Thursday 16.09.2021 to Sunday 19.09.2021
- The Oil spill Audit was conducted by the MCA on the 01.10.2021
- The Port Marine Safety Code Audit was conducted by the Designated persons on the 27.10.2021.
- Newport Harbour User Group was held on the 02.11.2021 at Medina leisure centre
- An MCA Level 2P Oil spill training course was held at the Harbour on the 15-16.11.2021 attended by one-member of Newport harbour staff and four of Folly Venture. The additional spaces were taken up by Cowes harbour staff.
- The Oil spill excise was held on the 16.11.2021 at Newport harbour office.
- An MCA Level 4P Oil spill training course held at the ABP in Southampton on the 30.11.21 – 03.12.21 was attended by one member of harbour staff.
- The Day of Christmas event was held on 20.11.21, it was well attended.
- Work to the Quay walls at the southern end of the harbour continues throughout this period. The Notice to Mariners 2021/no 14 remains.
- Harbour staff carried out Daily checks only, between 25.12.2021 to the 31.12.2021.
- One of the harbour labours has left the employment of the harbour on the 31.012.2021. this in preparation of employing a Duty Harbour Master next year. His weekend hours will be covered by the SHM until this happens.

Covid-19 response

- The Vaccine Centre at the Riverside Centre continued operating throughout the months
- The barrier between North and South carparks remained open until 28.09.2021 it was reopened on the 24.12.2021 and remains open.

1. Results of periodic inspections

1.1 Inspections of navigation aids–

Periodic inspections have been carried out of the channel and navigation aids, some of which have been done from land. All navigation aids are in place, their colour and characteristics as required by IALA recommendations. 59 inspections were carried out from land in this period The Folly was inspected by Folly Venture 7 times in September then monthly for the remaining months

- The damaged port hand marker at the end of the Folly Slipway was removed and put in marina dinghy park on the 09.09.2021
- Festival No Mooring in Channel sign put out on the 13.09.2021 and retrieved on the 20.09.2021
- The transited light was changed due to fading on the 28.09.2021
- The renovation of the channel markers has been untaken, in October with renew of the chains paint and numbers. Additionally, the fitting of port navigational lights as approved by Trinity house. was completed on the 02.11.2021
- Channel marker No 16 and Wreck buoy chain was replaced on the 02.11.2021
- One bulb out on the tall leading light pole on the 21.11.2021, replaced on 22.11.2021
- Channel marker No 7 was off station, on the 23.11.2021, It was recovered. An attempt to recover the chain was made on the 30.11.2021, sadly not successful. Will be carried out on. was put back on station on the 03.12.2021, (when tides allow) the sinker and chain was replaced on the 22.12.2021.
- An inspection was carried out on the lights on Folly Pontoon and Folly Light, it was recorded that the Red lights on the Southern end of the Folly 'Walk Ashore' pontoon were inoperative. This was reported to the Folly Inn Management.

1.2 Inspections of the channel

Periodic visual inspections have been carried out of the channel some of which were carried out from the land. The depth within the channel has not been reported below the depths advertised. 59 inspections were carried out from land in this period The Folly was inspected by Folly Venture 7 times in September then monthly for the remaining months

- It was noted by Folly venture the depth within the channel has been reported less to the West of the Island Harbour Waiting Pontoon. This was particularly noticeable during the Festival week (4.4 tide)

1.3a Inspections of quays, steps, pontoons, gangway, piles, and cleats

59 Periodic inspections have been carried out at Newport harbours and found to be in position and in good order were carried in this period Folly pontoons were inspected by Folly Venture weekly in September then monthly for the remaining months.

- Chain renewed on West 37, South buoy 1 and 2 on the 13.09.2021
- Newport Harbour visitor pontoon was cleaned on the 27.09.2021 (required due to roosting ducks)
- The replacement quay ladder to Newport visitor pontoon was fitted on the 30.09.2021
- New mooring buoy fitted to Folly West Q on the 06.10.2021
- Mooring 36 East was recovered and sunk mooring buoy replaced on the 02.11.2021
- West 30 was retrieved and new buoy fitted on the 05.11.2021
- On the 10.11.2021 folly swing west 6 – 35 renumbered and South buoy 1 chain renewed.
- Folly swing moorings, East 16- 26 and 28 – 36 (evens only) had their chains chain renewed
- The Folly Gabon box were inspected on the 10.12.2021, all ok.

1.3b Inspections of lights, electric pods and water stands

Periodic inspections have been carried out on the lights, electric pods and water stands. 59 inspections were carried and weekly by Folly venture in September then monthly for the other months

- Water monitoring was conducted monthly in this period
- The electricity rate was updated on all harbour card metres, to be in line with current charges on the 17.11.2021
- Visitor electricity box 1 light tripping the box from 20.11.2021, holding with the light turned off.

1.3c Inspections of Hand Crane

The hand crane was not used during this period

- The lifting straps were inspected on the 05.10.21 no faults found.

1.4 Inspections of life rings, fire extinguishers

Inspections were carried out and all existing life rings, fire extinguishers and safety ladders were found to be in position and in good order, 59 inspections were carried out
Folly life rings were inspected twice in September and November and once in October and December by Folly Venture all to be found in place.

- Tide board cleaned on the 10.11.2021 and 08.12.2021

1.5 Slipways Inspection

The slipways have been inspected and are in good repair. This has been helped by the environment officers, as now added to their weekly inspections.

- Folly Slipway was cleaned four times
- Newport Slipway cleaned once

1.6 Work boats and Truck

- The Harbour Launch was checked 58, 27 times it was pumped at the same time
- The Harbour Launch working fine.
- Ford Ranger started to develop an intermittent fault on start up on the 09.11.2021, Fleet services informed. The MOT was moved forward to the 23.11.2021 and the fault investigated, a replacement pick was supplied by fleet services when this was carried out. Sadly, it failed its MOT and was not cost effective to repair, the temporary replacement pickup has now been assigned permanently to the harbour

2. Incident and Emergencies

2.1 Collisions

None recorded

2.2 Fire or explosion

None recorded

2.3 Vessels grounding-

- A 32-foot Motor Cruiser grounded at the entrance to Island Harbour Dave Foyle using GBX towed the vessel to safety and when re floated it was taken to a berth on the Newport Visitors pontoon. No Structural damage. Although the engine water intake filters were blocked but once cleared the vessel was deemed to be seaworthy. Reported by Folly venture

2.4 Loss of vessel stability

None recorded

2.5 Pollution

None recorded

2.6 Dangerous occurrences / near misses.

- On the 25.09.2021, 3 youths that appeared intoxicated were noticed by harbour staff attempting to launch a canoe (it was left by the carpark some days before) without paddle or life jacket. Harbour staff gave advice. They departed; the canoe was locked in a harbour store. No one has enquired about its return.

2.7 Reportable Accidents

- Large discharge of possible sewerage was seen from the overflow just north of the Hotel. This was reported to Environment Agency and Southern Water by IOW Festival on the 20.09.2021
- The bow line of a vessel on Northern end of pontoon B East lost its bow line and swung round in the tide Dave Foyle and Lee Morey fitted a new bow line and secured the vessel
- On the 27.10.2021 a small bilge keel yacht broke away from its mooring on W 30 and went aground on the East Bank near the MMA Dinghy Park. On the next tide (28.10.2021) using a Cowes Water Taxis Ltd dory, Jonathan Brand assisted by Dave Foyle re-floated the vessel and secured it to the nearest vacant mooring buoy
- A boat broke away from her moorings a drifted across the River in CHC territory and went aground on the "Rock Pile" near the lateral port hand marker post. The CHC duty Berthing Master towed the vessel to the CHC Folly Reach visitors' pontoon. this was moved to a similar swing mooring by Newport harbour staff the next day.
- 01.11.2021 boat broke of it mooring, it was recovered and put on another mooring close by.
- The Police contacted the harbour on Sunday morning 12.12.2021, informing they have a report of a missing person, that was staying at the Premier inn at the harbour. He was last seen leaving a night club in Newport and his route would take him along the harbour. They are investigating the possibility that he could have fallen into the harbour on his way to the hotel. The RNLI have run up and down the river on Sunday and the police contacted Folly Venture to keep a watch.
- The police called on the morning Monday 13.12.202, informing the harbour that the missing person has sadly been found and recovered from by the hand crane late Sunday night by the 2 dories, after being found by the police. The councils H&S team have been informed.

2.8 Defects affecting Marine Safety

None recorded

3.0 Additional information–

- Numerous items where recovered/removed from the harbour including Plastic barrier, road cones, large B&Q trolley found, standard shopping trolley Bike, chair
- The first IOW Festival lorries arrived 12.09.2021
- Festival safety boat arrived at harbour on the 16.09.2021, moored under hand crane, addition boat was required and was supplied by Folly venture to monitor the river users.
- The sinking vessel at Odessa (Apprentice) started to be broken up on the 16.09.2021, lifted out 24.09.2021
- Odessa boat yard winter lift took place on the 21.10.2021
- The ex-floating Bridge chain was delivered to the harbour on the 03.11.2021, in preparation for replacing of the west swing mooring ground chain.
- The Harbour office was decluttered on the 04 & 9.11.2021 and Wi-Fi installed
- The electricity was off at little London on the 29.11.2021, all trips where checked, discovered it was a fault with the supple in that area, it restarted later that day.
- On the 16.12.2021 inflatable dinghy retrieved from the west shore at Folly by harbour staff, was collected by owner later that day. Informed that it was private land where it was recovered from.
- The harbour office work to board out the end wall and repaint started in December and continues.

Notice to Mariners

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Newport Harbour – repairs to harbour walls

The council has awarded a contract to undertake repairs to walls at the southern end of the harbour.

The works will commence on 21 June and are scheduled for completion by 5 October 2021.

The works to the harbour walls consist of cleaning, repointing, replacement of missing stone/bricks/blocks, grouting of voids behind the walls and the formation of a protective toe in locations where the base of the wall has been under-scoured by river action.

Due to the nature of the works, and the requirement to align the working day with daylight hours and low water tides, extended working hours may be required.

During the works there will not be any visitor berths available to the south of the dual carriageway and no access to the slipway which is accessed from Sea Street.

Should you have any queries regarding the works, please do not hesitate to contact Newport Harbour (01983 823885) or email newport.harbour@iow.gov.uk

This LNTM will be cancelled as soon as the work is completed, and the Visitor pontoon are reinstalled along with its services.