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SOUTH HAMS DISTRICT COUNCIL

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NAME OF COMMITTEE	Salcombe Harbour Board
DATE	4 February 2013
REPORT TITLE	PORT MARINE SAFETY CODE
REPORT OF	Salcombe Harbour Master
WARDS AFFECTED	All South Hams

Summary of Report

To appraise Members on Salcombe Harbour Authorities' compliance with the Port Marine Safety Code.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Harbour Board RESOLVES to:

- a. Accept the findings of the Audit at Appendix 1 and 2.
- b. Endorse and publish the 10th edition of the Safety Management System dated 27 November 2012 at Appendix 3.

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1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Port Marine Safety Code (PMSC) was published in March 2000 and revised in October 2009 by Department of Environment, Transport and Regions (DETR) Ports Division. Its aim is to establish an agreed national standard for port marine safety and a measure by which harbour authorities can be held accountable for the legal powers and duties which they have to run harbours safely.
- To audit Salcombe's compliance and advise on any changes, developments and safety issues, the Harbour Authority has appointed an independent designated person who reported on 27 November 2012 that, in their opinion there is in place a safety management system which, if maintained actively, complies with the requirements of the PMSC, Appendix 1.

2. ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

- 2.1 During the Audit a number of issues were raised, these are detailed in the Independent Designated Person's letter at Appendix 2.
- 2.2 The Harbour's Safety management System has been updated to Issue 10 dated 27 November 2012. The complete revised document is at Appendix 3.

3. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 Statutory Powers: Local Government Act 1972, Section 151. The Pier and Harbour Order (Salcombe) Confirmation Act 1954 (Sections 22-36).
- 3.2 There are no other legal implications to this report.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None in the preparation of this report other than officer time although there will be financial implications for the delivery of harbour safety improvements.

5. Risk Assessment

5.1 The risk management implications are:

Risk/Opportunity	Risk Status			Mitigating and Management
	Impact/	Likelihood/	Risk	Actions
	Severity	Probability	Score	
The Harbour Authority is				The Harbour Board,
working towards a safe				considers many routine
and improving service to	3	3	9	issues annually, topical
harbour users.				items are brought to the
				Board as they arise.
Failure to maintain a safe				The Harbour maintains a
harbour could result in risk				Safety Management
to life, limb and property.	3	3	9	System which is reviewed
	3	3	9	bi-annually by an
				independent Designated
				Person.

Corporate priorities	Community Life
engaged:	Economy
	Environment
Statutory powers	The Pier & Harbour (Salcombe) Order Act 1954
Consideration of	There are no equality or human rights issues with this
equality and human	report
rights:	
Biodiversity	None
considerations:	
Sustainability	None
considerations:	
Crime and disorder	None
implications:	
Background Papers:	None
Appendices attached:	Nicholson Risk Management's Report dated 27
	November 2012.
	Nicholson Risk Management's letter dated 27
	November 2012.
	3. Salcombe Harbour Board Safety Management System
	Issue 10 dated 27 November 2012.

lan Gibson <u>Harbour Master</u>

Salcombe Harbour Board 4 February 2013