Environmental Policy – Statement

Salcombe Harbour Environmental Policy

The Salcombe Harbour Authority is committed to the protection and conservation of the environment and will seek to maintain and continually improve, wherever possible, high environmental quality through the strict adherence to environmental legislation and internationally agreed convention, directives and resolutions intended to prevent pollution and protect the environment.

The Harbour Authority recognises the need to conserve the natural environment of the waters under its control through sound environmental management. Environmental policies for the harbour ensures that, wherever possible, duties carried out by harbour staff and recreational and commercial activities within the area of jurisdiction will take place without any adverse effects on the quality of the environment.

The Harbour Authority's Environmental Policy, objectives and targets will be accessible on-line and also held at the Harbour's offices and workshops. It will be available to all staff, persons working on behalf of the Harbour Authority, and harbour stakeholders.

The waters within the control of the Harbour Authority are of National and European importance and include areas that have an environmental designation i.e. Sites of Special Scientific Interest, Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Special Area of Conservation and Local Nature Reserve. They are designated for the high quality and diversity of the marine and estuarine habitats and species that are supported partly by the estuary's unusual geography.

The Harbour Authority intends to work closely with environmental agencies and local stakeholders to ensure that the quality of the environment is improved upon, thereby enhancing the natural resources for future generations. They shall also encourage users of the harbour and suppliers of services to adopt practices compatible with the aims of this environmental management system.

It is believed that educating and training employees, as well as the public, on the importance of conserving and enhancing the environment will contribute to achieving environmental goals. Our employees will set and demonstrate the level expected, that others will follow.

This Environmental Policy Statement and objectives and targets will be reviewed on an annual basis to ensure they remain current and are documented, implemented and maintained to that effect.

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