

## Poole Quay Boat Haven and Port of Poole Marina Environmental Policy

Poole Quay Boat Haven and Port of Poole Marina as a part of Poole Harbour Commissioners is committed to minimising the impact of its activities on the environment. This statement sets out how we will work towards achieving our environmental objectives.

We will meet the environmental legislation that relates to the operation of the Marina and associated activities and (where possible) identify opportunities to adopt best practise over and above the minimum legislative requirements. We will meet all of The Yacht Harbour Association (TYHA) Gold Anchor environmental criteria, more specifically;

- We will ensure that the Marina is equipped with a suitable spill kit to deal with any oil or fuel spill and that staff have received training in how to deal with such situations.
- We will monitor electricity usage with the objective of minimising the use of electricity in all of our activities. For example; switching off equipment in the office when not in use as well as using censored lighting in our shower facilities.
- We will minimise the creation of waste. For example; we will only print and photocopy if absolutely essential as well as printing double-sided.
- We will encourage our berth holders to recycle as much as waste as they can and provide suitable facilities for them to do so. We have provided clearly labelled bins and facilities to dispose of hazardous waste such as batteries and waste oil.
- Where possible, we will use email as opposed to printed materials to communicate and promote our activities.
- We endeavour to increase the quantity and diversity of marine habitats present in Poole Harbour by installing Sea Hives.
- We will take environmental credentials of our suppliers into account when providing new products and services. By doing so we wish to get other organisations to integrate sustainability into their organisation to gain contracts.
- We aim to reduce and eliminate the use of single use plastics by making environmentally
  conscious changes to the products that we use such as using eco-friendly refuse bags and
  refillable bottles for our cleaning products.
- We will continue to provide a pump out facility free of charge to our berth holders.
- We will continue to liaise with the RYA and BMF environmental initiative to ensure that we stay up to date with how we can reduce the negative impacts associated with our operations.
- We will continue to encourage our berth holders and visitors to adopt environmental best practise and supply The Green Blue information upon request.
- We will measure our progress and review this policy on an annual basis.

