

The safety of navigation is dependent upon the provision of relevant, up to date hydrographic information, delivered in a form most appropriate to each sector of the wide spectrum of Harbour and Port users.

To this end it is Board policy that PHC shall:

- Undertake such hydrographic surveys as are necessary for safe and efficient navigation within Harbour limits;
- Carry out a managed programme of hydrographic surveys of the seabed of the Poole Harbour from the landward limit to the seaward limit and bounded by the Mean High Water line;
- Set and maintain programmes, standards and specifications for PHC hydrographic services, including the competency, training and continued professional development of appropriate personnel;
- Provide Harbour and Port users with up-to-date, timely and accurate hydrographic information, and where appropriate on a commercial basis;
- Provide continuous, timely and accurate tidal data;
- Maintain hydrographic and tidal information;
- Maintain a close liaison with, and provide relevant data to, the United Kingdom Hydrographic Office;
- Represent the PHC's hydrographic interests nationally and internationally.

Nothing in this Policy shall subvert existing Harbour Byelaws, General Directions, regulations or terms and conditions.

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