LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS
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Sandbanks Chain Ferry Refit

This notice is issued by BCP on behalf of the Bournemouth-Swanage Motor Road and Ferry Company

Mariners are advised that the Sandbanks Ferry "Bramble Bush Bay" will shortly be coming off station for refit.

Subject to weather, the ferry will be disconnected from her chains and towed by Jenkins Marine workboats to a berth in the Port of Poole on Monday 2nd November.

On Thursday 5th November 'Bramble Bush Bay' will transit the harbour, under tow by Williams Shipping vessel 'Willdiscover', before continuing onto Falmouth for maintenance.

It is planned that she with be returned, under tow, to a berth at the Port of Poole on Friday 20th November where she will remain until further maintenance has been completed, before being returned to position in mid-December. Dates are subject to change due to weather or for operational reasons.

During the ferry's absence, the chains within her usual overnight berthing location (on the South Haven / Studland side) will be marked with two orange buoys with yellow flashing lights. The outer buoy will be approximately 60 metres off the South Haven slipway.

This notice will self-cancel when the ferry returns to service.

Mariners are reminded that Radar, AIS, CCTV, telephone and VHF channels are recorded 24-7.

Owners, Agents, Charterers, Marinas, Yacht Clubs and Recreational Water Sport Organisations should ensure that the contents of this Notice are made known to the masters or persons in charge of their vessels or craft.

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