

## **Duty Holders Summary of Performance of Safety Management Plan for 2023**

Following an assessment of the Harbour Authority's operations during the year I'm pleased to report that the objectives within the Safety Management Plan have been met.

### **1) Navigational Incidents**

There were no reported major navigational failures, serious injuries or incidents of pollution. 1 minor incident involving a CTV grounding whilst transiting the Mostyn Channel outbound. A full investigation was carried out by the CTV operator, Dee Conservancy Harbourmaster and ourselves. Additional training was completed by the CTV Master/PEC holder and he was suspended from duty before completing a PEC examination.

### **2) Conservancy and Hydrographic Surveys**

The provision and maintenance of Aids to Navigation met the requirements of Trinity House as the General Lighthouse Authority under the PANAR reporting requirements. Surveys undertaken for the purposes of safety of navigation have been delayed due to equipment upgrade requirements with cellular network providers. Equipment has now been purchased/installed and is currently being commissioned. Surveys carried out for Conservancy and Conservation Monitoring purposes were also undertaken with the agreed Monitoring Protocol.

### **3) Pilotage Services**

In keeping with the previous year's performance there were no recorded incidents due to Pilot error. However 1 minor incident involving PEC holder as described in section 1 above.

### **4) Personnel Training**

All personnel hold current STCW certification. All personnel qualified to operate forklift and telehandler. 1 personnel obtained RYA commercial power boat level 2 certification.

### **5) Liaison and Consultation with Stakeholders**

Regular consultations have been held with representatives of other estuary users and the adjoining Authority's Harbourmaster.

### **6) Audit of the Safety Management System**

The annual Audit was carried out which found no major or minor deficiencies.

### **7) Management Review**

The annual review of the SMS was undertaken by the Harbourmaster and his report submitted to the Designated person.

### **8) Legislation/Jurisdiction**

The Dee Conservancy HRO was issued and came into force 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023. A maximum speed of 12kts has been imposed by the wind farm operators for all CTV's in the Mostyn and Salisbury Channel as a results of the incident mentioned in section 1.



Managing Director and Duty Holder