




SUTTON HARBOUR MARINE SAFETY STATEMENT AND POLICY

Sutton Harbour Authority is committed to complying with the Port Marine Safety Code and by so doing providing a safe harbour within the limits of its jurisdiction, which will remain open to the public for the transportation of passengers and goods. It will ensure the safety of the harbour by exercising its statutory conservancy duties, regulate the use of the harbour by maintaining appropriate bylaws and ensuring that these and other statutory regulations are enforced.

Sutton Harbour Authority will ensure that any marine services required for the safe use of the harbour are available, maintained and operated to the highest standard with due regard to efficiency, economy and safety of operation. SHA will further ensure that current plans are in place and available to deal with emergency situations and that the resources required to implement these plans are maintained and exercised.

Sutton Harbour Authority is committed to:

- Meet the requirements of the Port Marine Safety Code.
- Keep its duties and powers under review.
- Consult with stake holders.
- Operate an auditable safety management system based upon formal risk assessments.
- Carry out regular reviews of the Safety Management Systems.
- Provide and maintain effective aids to navigation.
- Carry out hydrographic surveys of the harbour and make all necessary information available to harbour users.
- Disseminate information to port users through local notices to mariners, port user groups, open forums, web sites, e-mail, social media, notice boards and newsletters.
- Provide and maintain adequate lifesaving equipment at regular intervals around the harbour.
- Ensure that suitable emergency plans are in place and exercised.
- Maintain the quay walls and preserve the navigable channels within the harbour.
- Operate the lock gates as a flood prevention mechanism within the parameters agreed with the Environment Agency.
- Investigate all accidents and incidents and report to the appropriate authorities in a timely manner when appropriate.



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