



**St Ives Harbour**  
**Port Waste Management Plan**  
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## 2. Revision History

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V2.1	16/07/2022	Ben Lawlor	Update waste types and disposal methods
V2.2	31/08/2022	Ben Lawlor	Add EOL fire extinguishers.
V2.3	03/01/2023	Ben Lawlor	Inadequacies updated
V2.4	02/09/2024	Ben Lawlor	EOL fishing gear

### 3. Introduction

This Waste Management Plan has been produced in response to the requirements set out in the Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Port Waste Reception Facilities) (amendment) Regulations 2016, and Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Pollution by Sewage & Garbage from Ships (SI 3257 of 2008). These Regulations are explained in guidance offered by the MCA – MGN 563. This plan ensures that St Ives Harbour complies with all legislation and guidelines, namely the Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Port Waste Reception Facilities) (amendment) Regulations 2016. In the preparation of this Plan, due consideration has been given to the requirements of the specific legislation and the need for clear guidelines for those in the waste chain. The Plan identifies the constituent and ancillary parts of that chain, providing information to assist in the handling and disposal of all categories of waste in the prescribed manner.

### 4. The Port

St Ives Harbour is owned and managed by Cornwall Council and consists of a drying harbour enclosed by two granite piers, (Smeatons Pier and West Pier).

Apart from the two piers, the shoreside of the harbour consists of the following;

- Council run public car park
- Premises consisting of fishermen's and port stores
- Store containing a 4500l Diesel fuel tank
- RNLI station

There are in excess of 150 drying moorings within the harbour consisting of fore-aft moorings and running moorings as well as dinghy/tender storage.

The use of mooring is broadly split as follows;

- 30 Commercial fishing vessels moorings
- 18 Commercial tripper / charter vessels
- 22 Self-drive hire boats including their safety boats.
- The remainder of moorings are used for private pleasure use.

The harbour receives a few visiting vessels each year, mainly yachts on passage. The harbour is too small to receive large commercial vessels, either cargo or passenger.

There is a Stakeholders Committee made up from representatives from the different groups of harbour users. The harbour master meets with the committee on a regular basis to discuss issues affecting the harbour, including the implementation and monitoring of policies such as the Port Waste Management Plan.

## 5. Legislation

The legislation regulating the control of waste produced by vessels and harbour users consists of the following;

- a. Directive 2000/59/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on port reception facilities for ship-generated waste and cargo residues is implemented in the UK through the Merchant Shipping and Fishing Vessels (Port Waste Reception Facilities) (amendment) Regulations 2016.
- b. Water Resources Act 1991 (Amendment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2009
- c. Environmental Protection Act 1990.
- d. EU Animal By-products Regulation 1069/2009/EC (International Catering Waste)
- e. The Animal By-Products Regulations 2005

## 6. Waste Generation

During the winter months, the majority of the waste is generated is from commercial fishing vessels. During the summer months the amount of waste generated increases due to the influx of summer visitors. This is also the time where the commercial tripper and charter vessels operate. Private pleasure vessels with moorings in the harbour also use the facilities during the summer.

## 7. Types of Waste

- a. General waste generated by other harbour users and the general public
- b. General waste generated by local and visiting vessels
- c. Waste oil,
- d. Oil filters, Diesel filters and containers
- e. Discarded fishing gear or other rubbish picked up at sea
- f. End of life fishing equipment
- g. Unserviceable Batteries
- h. Excess fish offal and fish by products
- i. Sewage (black water)
- j. International catering waste
- k. Time Expired Pyrotechnics (TEPs)
- l. End of Life Fire Extinguishers

## 8. Waste Collection and Disposal

- a. There is 1 public litter bin located on Smeatons Pier, near the harbour office. This is emptied daily during the winter months, and twice daily during the summer months by Cornwall Council's public waste collection contractor. Daily litter picking, rubbish collection and sweeping is carried out by harbour staff to prevent the build-up of litter. This waste is placed in the wheelie bins located on Smeatons Pier.

- b. There are 2 wheelie bins, each of 1100 litre capacity, located on Smeatons Pier for waste generated by commercial vessels, and waste collected from around the harbour by harbour staff. These are emptied twice weekly by Cornwall Council's commercial waste collection contractor.
- c. Waste oil from commercial vessels is deposited into the bunded waste oil tank located on Smeatons Pier, which is emptied on an ad hoc basis by Cornwall Council's waste oil collection contractor, this is kept locked to ensure there is no unauthorised use. This is due to the tank being located in a public area.
- d. Used Oil & diesel filters should be completely drained of oil/diesel and then placed into the oil filter disposal bin. Mitchell & Webber provide this facility on the Councils behalf. Contacts 16e.
- e. Any discarded fishing gear or other rubbish picked up at sea by commercial fishing vessels is collected for disposal at a later date by the 'Fishing for Litter' Scheme.
- f. The Harbour works with Waterhaul to provide a solution to recycle End of Life fishing equipment such as nets and ropes. Unfortunately this scheme is unable to take pots leaded rope and hard plastics so these items are to be disposed of by the commercial fisherman who own the equipment
- g. Unserviceable Batteries are disposed of by boat owners at the local waste collection facilities as St Ives Harbour does not have the facility to store or dispose of unserviceable batteries.
- h. Any excess fish offal and fish by products once brought ashore must be disposed of in accordance with The Animal By-product Regulations 2005 (Reg. 1774/2002). St Ives Harbour do not provide such facilities.
- i. Sewage waste (black water) is not accepted at St Ives Harbour as there is no facilities for processing it. Crews of vessels are to use the public toilets located either on Smeatons Pier, rear of the Sloop Inn, or behind the lifeboat station.
- j. International Catering Waste is not received at St Ives Harbour as no vessels that would generate such waste currently visit the port. In the event that such a vessel visited the port, then any catering waste would be kept in isolation from the domestic waste, until it could be collected for proper disposal.
- k. Time Expired Pyrotechnics (TEPs)
  - i. Leisure Users [Disposing of unwanted marine flares - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/disposing-of-unwanted-marine-flares)
  - ii. Commercial users are to use an approved waste contractor to dispose of TEPs, Such as LGS, contact details on 16d
- l. St Ives harbour does not provide any facilities to dispose of EOL Fire Extinguishers, Mooring holders are recommended to contact the supplier that they purchase new ones from.

## 9. Recycling

There are currently no recycling facilities on harbour land. However, there is small scale recycling in the town for the provision of recycling general items such as cans, glass bottles. The provision of recycling is to be reviewed during the winter of 2023-2024.

## 10. Consultation

The individuals and bodies involved in the consultation and subsequent reviews of the St Ives Port Waste Management Plan are;

- a. Chris Jones – Maritime Manager, Cornwall Council
- b. Ben Lawlor – St Ives Harbour Master, Cornwall Council
- c. St Ives Harbour Stakeholders Committee

## **11.Charges to Harbour Users**

At present, no separate charges are made to harbour users for waste disposal; these costs are included in the annual mooring charge for local vessels, and the daily visitors' charges for visiting vessels.

If extra waste disposal costs are incurred by the Harbour as a direct result of waste generated by individual users, then Cornwall Council reserves the right to charge those users for the extra costs.

## **12.Waste Recording**

Vessels using the harbour are not large enough that they have to notify the harbour of waste they intend to land; therefore no records of waste generated from vessels are maintained.

Amounts of any rubbish, litter or other waste collected from the harbour are recorded in the records of the harbour Environmental Management System, stored digitally on the Maritime Drive.

Records of waste oil collected from the waste oil tank are maintained in the harbour office.

## **13.Information for Harbour Users**

A copy of the Port Waste Management Plan is available to all mooring holders, the RNLI, commercial and club operators.

All mooring holders on renewal of their annual mooring fee will agree to accept and abide with the Rules and Regulations governing the Management and Use of the Harbour, including the Port Waste Management Plan.

## **14.Inadequacies and Non Compliance**

The Harbour Master is the person responsible for maintaining the Port Waste Management Plan and is the first point of contact to report any inadequacies with the plan or any failure to comply with the plan. If an inadequacy is not resolved by the Harbour Master it can be escalated to the MCA using the contact details 16f.

The Port Waste Management Plan has been drawn up and maintained following the guide to good practice published by the MCA, and Marine Guidance Notes (MGN) issued by the MCA.

## **15.Review**

This plan will be reviewed with the consultees (above) every 12 months to ensure that it is 'current'.

A copy of the reviewed plan will be submitted to the MCA on an annual basis. The MCA will determine when they need to undertake a formal review and recertification. This will normally only be required in the event of a significant change in the scale and arrangements for waste disposal.

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