



BUDE HARBOUR

Local Notice to Mariners - 4 of 2025 Sea lock closure.

Mariners and harbour users are advised, Following the big spring tides coinciding with large storm swells and storms throughout September, the lock chamber has become sanded up preventing the operation of the outer gates. A number of attempts to clear the sand via flushing (only when rainfall has allowed) and the use of machinery (excavator) sadly, have not been successful and the decision to shut the lock down for winter has been brought forward by a few weeks.

Over the season, the sea lock was kept operational with four successful lock movements up until a low water protocol was actioned following July and August's lack of rainfall, which we rely on to flush the gates on a weekly basis.

Paul Vincent

**Harbour Master Bude
Cornwall Council Maritime Section
24th September 2025**

