

 Dart Harbour	Dart Harbour & Navigation Authority	
	Report	Community Group Report
	Meeting Date	31 st March 2022
	Report of	Paul Britton Harbourmaster / CEO

- 2021 was a successful year for Dart Harbour. Despite the ongoing pandemic, we achieved good financial results, and welcomed a record number of visiting yachts.
- The harbour was recently audited by our independent Designated Person, with only minor findings. Our safety plan has just been updated.
- Recruitment of an Assistant Harbour Master – Compliance means we now have a very strong team for managing the river
- Over the winter, our moorings renewal programme has been well managed, and is on time.
- A very comprehensive hydrographic survey of the river was completed over the winter. This showed minimal issues with shoaling, other than a small area in the swinging moorings off Galmpton, which will be monitored
- Management of SUPs and kayaks is going to be a significant focus for the authority this season. New signage was introduced last year, and for this year our plan is to introduce a series of paddle trails, similar to on the Exe, which will encourage them to launch in and use safer and less environmentally sensitive areas, and adopt best practice.
- Customer focus will be another priority, to ensure that our welcome is second to none.
- Our working draft strategy was provided with the agenda to this meeting. As can be seen, our focus on Safety, Sustainability, Stakeholders, Staff and Solvency should give us a clear direction for our work. Suggestions for inclusions in this policy are very welcome. The surveymonkey weblink is still open, or suggestions can be made by email.