



## **CORONAVIRUS UPDATE – SOUTHWOLD HARBOUR**

3 July 2020

Important update announced 3 July 2020 on what is allowed from Saturday 4 July 2020

- Vessels already moored in the Harbour can now be used for overnight stays. Those staying on board need to ensure they comply with the social distancing measures and stay overnight only with those from their home within their own household or support bubble, or with members of one other household (although being able to maintain social distancing on board means this is unlikely to be allowed on most boats given size restrictions.) Boat owners are reminded that under no circumstances is 'pumping out' permitted.
- Visiting vessels from the UK can enter the Harbour limits and now stay overnight. Those staying on board need to ensure they comply with the social distancing measures and stay overnight only with those from their home with their own household or support bubble, or with members of one other household (although being able to maintain social distancing on board means this is unlikely to be allowed on most boats given size restrictions). Given the facilities will remain closed until further notice, Captains will be asked to confirm that they have suitable facilities on board to cater for themselves including a holding tank. Under no circumstances is 'pumping out' permitted.
- The facilities will remain closed until further notice.
- Whilst an announcement on visiting vessels from outside the UK is expected very soon which should declare 'corridors' that in turn will remove quarantine requirements this is still not formally in place and therefore the Harbour remains closed to non-UK visitors. A further announcement will be made once we receive this confirmation.
- Restrictions on the Pontoon access will now be lifted and therefore can be used but will be subject to the social distancing measures and the Harbour Masters discretion.
- The slipway remains open for launching. In order to maintain social distancing, only one boat/trailer will be allowed on the slipway at any one time. When launching you must maintain social distancing.
- Cleaning protocols should be put in place to limit Coronavirus transmissions on boats. It is advised that touch points (eg handrails) should be particular areas of focus for increased cleaning. Frequent cleaning of boats, using your usual cleaning products, is advised. As is removing waste and belongings from boats when finishing a trip.

Peter Simmons

Harbour Master