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MDL Marinas sells boatyard at Dartside Quay

MDL Marinas is delighted to announce the sale of its boatyard at Dartside Quay in an agreement which will see the expansion of the boatyard services on offer to MDL customers and the wider boating community.

Currently operating a boatyard and berthing services across the water at Dolphin Haven, the new owners bring a great deal of experience, local knowledge and a long history of boat restoration and refit to Dartside Quay.

The purchase will be followed by substantial investment in the site to bring forth exciting new developments to extend the services on offer.

Situated at the head of Galmpton Creek, Dartside Quay is three miles upriver from the picturesque town of Dartmouth. In a sheltered position, with beautiful views across to Dittisham, Dartside Quay offers extensive facilities for all boat owners.

With space for over 300 boats ashore, the seven-acre dry boat storage area is serviced by a 65-tonne hoist, which operates from a purpose-built dock. There is also a 20-tonne trailer hoist operating from a slipway and various onsite marine tenants provide specialist boat repairs and maintenance services.

Michael Glanville, Managing Director at MDL Marinas comments: "Dartside Quay boatyard provides important lifting and refit services to many of our berth holders, as well as local businesses, and we're excited to be working with Dolphin Boatyard to create an opportunity for these services to grow.

"The sale agreement, which critically retains employment for our loyal and highly skilled team, allows capital to be released and repurposed in other areas of our business to strategically develop our portfolio of products and services for our customers."

Dartside Quay customers will continue to enjoy the boatyard's first-class services, with existing MDL berth holders retaining the advantages of Freedom Berthing, 20% off lifting



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services and eight weeks storage ashore. There will be no changes to the tenants on site and it will be business as usual for the team.

“The acquisition of Dartside Quay is an exciting step forward for my business,” adds Ben Morris, Managing Director of Dolphin Boatyard Ltd. “It allows us to expand our services to local boaters in the bay, on the Dart and beyond, adding new refit opportunities and investing in both the Dartside Quay and Dolphin Haven sites.

“It's been great working with Michael and his team to develop a deal that secures both existing and new services for MDL's customers. I am looking forward to meeting many of them as the winter refit season gets underway.”

For more information on MDL and its marinas visit www.mdlmarinas.co.uk

For more information on Dolphin Haven visit <https://dolphin-haven.co.uk>

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- MDL Holidays is part of the MDL Marinas Group, offering waterside holidays in luxury lodge and holiday park accommodation.
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