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## **News Release**

### **For Immediate Release**

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#### **MDL's Hamble Point Marina to receive £1.2m upgrade**

MDL's popular Hamble Point Marina in Southampton is undergoing a significant upgrade to its facilities. The £1.2m investment will ensure its berth holders, tenants and visitors have access to the very best facilities, helping to enhance their marina experience.

The investment works include refurbishment of the toilet facilities by the Ketch Rigger bar and restaurant. Due for completion this spring, the facilities will see a refreshed layout, PIR operated lighting and ventilation system helping to reduce energy consumption, and a large improvement to the overall look and feel. The current bins adjacent to the toilets will be relocated within a purpose-built bin storage.

There will also be resurfacing works to the main road leading to the dry stack and berth holders' car park, relining the valley gullies on MDL's large tenant building, enhancing the current central waste compound with an attractive symmetrical façade and high fence lines, as well as new lighting to the area, security cameras and access control.

The marina is also introducing Meter MACS' Smart electricity technology across its boatyard. The new system will offer berth holders complete control to manage their own electricity account, with 24/7 access for online payments and automatic notifications of any interruptions to the power supply.

With its prime position on the River Hamble within close proximity to the Solent, Hamble Point is one of MDL's busiest marinas, catering to a wide variety of boats of all sizes. The works will ensure the quality of the marina's facilities are enhanced to the high standard its customers have come to expect.

"We strive to provide the best possible experience," says Debbie Burns, Manager of Hamble Point Marina. "Our customers will always be our topmost priority, and so investment in our infrastructure, large or small, is essential to ensuring our high standards continue to be met."



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In the pipeline for 2024 includes a new scheme for the marina car park to improve parking and security for berth holders, tenants and visitors. Additionally, a proposed insulated container village providing workshop units and fishermen stores will offer improved land storage as well as valuable workshop space for new and existing occupiers.

The container is also set to incorporate a significant solar PV scheme, moving MDL forward with its ambitions around the carbon reduction of its marinas.

A redesign of the berth holders' facilities near the marina office is also planned. The proposed revamp will double the size of the current facilities and provide individual toilet and shower rooms, along with dedicated family and disabled washrooms. Additionally, PIR operated lighting will be integrated to reduce energy consumption and ensure efficient operation.

As one of Europe's largest marina groups, MDL will continue to invest significantly across its network of marinas and products, with £30m allocated for investment over the next five years.

### **Hamble Point Marina**

Favourably positioned right at the mouth of the River Hamble, Hamble Point Marina is within easy access to the world-famous waters of the Solent. Attracting competitive sailors from around the globe, as well as numerous leisure cruisers who come to the marina to enjoy the top-rated facilities and exciting atmosphere, it is set against a picturesque backdrop with the historic and quaint Hamble Village only a short distance away.

To find out more about Hamble Point Marina, please visit: [www.hamblepointmarina.co.uk](http://www.hamblepointmarina.co.uk)

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### **Notes for editors:**

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