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MDL continues unprecedented investment across its marina network

MDL Marinas, one of Europe's leading marina operators, has proudly announced a significant investment of **£13.6 million** in the ongoing 2024/25 season, reaffirming the company's commitment to enhancing facilities and services for its berth holders, tenants and visitors.

In addition to this season's investment, the company is committed to allocating a further **£4.1 million** by the end of March 2025, forming part of an ambitious **£40 million investment plan** set to enhance the marina network over the next five years.

The investment has been strategically directed towards a wide range of projects focused on improving infrastructure, sustainability and overall customer experience.

Key areas of expenditure include:

- **Berth holder facilities:** Over £249,000 invested in upgrading showers and toilet facilities.
- **Dredging projects:** £962,000 allocated to maintaining navigable waters.
- **Operational Equipment:** £466,000 directed towards modernising lifting, storage and utility systems.
- **Infrastructure upgrades:** £7.5 million spent on significant improvements to roads, buildings and critical marina facilities, with major projects at Ocean Village and Northney Marina, and expansion at Shamrock Quay.
- **Pontoon and quay wall enhancements:** £2.7 million dedicated to ensuring the safety and stability of vital marina infrastructure.
- **Sustainability initiatives:** £588,000 channelled into projects such as photovoltaic (solar) installations to reduce the marinas' carbon footprint.
- **Technology upgrades:** £395,000 used to improve connectivity and operational efficiency.



“We are deeply committed to investing in our marinas to create exceptional environments for our customers and to future-proof our operations,” says Tim Mayer, Sales and Marketing Director at MDL Marinas.

“By focusing on innovative, sustainable and customer-centric investments, we aim to enhance the marina experience for everyone who visits and makes MDL Marinas their home. The £40 million planned investment over the next five years underscores our long-term vision to be at the forefront of the marina industry.”

Notable investment projects

This season’s investment features several key projects, including:

Northney Marina: An extension to the marina office, offering improved facilities and services, as well as the addition of a new 35-tonne hoist.

Multiple Marinas: Installation of photovoltaic solar panels as part of a sustainability initiative to reduce the marinas’ environmental impact.

Torquay Marina: Enhancements to Pier A and the replacement of Piers F and G, along with improvements to car park decking.

Cobb’s Quay Marina: A project redecking Piers B and D, and the installation of new smart electric meters to enhance the berth holder experience.

Penton Hook Marina: Refurbishment of West Harbour facilities and the installation of a new pump-out facility to ensure convenience and environmental safety.

Ocean Village Marina: Complete replacement of all pontoons along the south side of the marina, incorporating smart electric meters, giving berth holders full control over their electricity usage.

Hamble Point Marina: Refurbishment of the toilets and showers, resurfacing of access roads, and the addition of new waste storage facilities, improving comfort, safety, and environmental standards.

Future commitment

With an additional £4.1 million set to be invested by the end of March 2025, MDL Marinas is committed to maintaining its leading position through continuous improvement. The £40 million investment plan over the next five years aims to further drive innovation, enhance service delivery and reinforce the marinas’ infrastructure well into the future.



“By prioritising sustainability and operational excellence, we’re not only improving our marinas’ functionality and appearance but also preserving the natural beauty of our waterfront environments,” adds Mayer. “Our goal is to deliver a world-class marina experience while safeguarding the ecological health of our waterside locations.”

For more information about MDL Marinas and its investment projects, please visit www.mdlmarinas.co.uk

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