# maritime

Mooring Policy
Ports of Truro
and Penryn









#### **Safety**

Carrick District Council as the Harbour Authority for the Ports of Truro & Penryn aims to ensure that the areas under its jurisdiction are managed, maintained and improved in the most cost effective and efficient manner to ensure the safety and regulation of navigation together with a good value service to port customers.

Any mooring shall be fit for purpose and insured for third party liability. Moorings are not to be laid unless the Harbour Authority has confirmed their position.

The Harbour Authority will advise mooring holders of the type and amount of equipment considered appropriate and will also have a list of mooring contractors.

Any mooring should take into consideration the need to:

- maintain safe navigational channels
- ensure that a selected position takes into account size and type of craft, swinging areas, depths of water, type of seabed, and the need for safe access to and from the mooring areas; and
- ensure that environmental/hydrographic regimes are not adversely affected.

#### **Environment**

The Harbour Authority is committed to the protection and conservation of the environment and it shall seek to maintain and improve, wherever possible, high environmental quality through the strict adherence to UK and European environmental legislation and internationally agreed conventions, directives and resolutions designed to protect the environment.

It is acknowledged that the waters within the control of the Harbour Authority are of national importance and which includes Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), Heritage Coast and a Special Area of Conservation (SAC). It is the intention of the Harbour Authority to work closely with environmental agencies to ensure that the quality of the environment is improved upon, thereby enhancing the natural resources for future generations.

## **Mooring Holders**

Licences for Harbour Authority moorings within the Ports of Truro and Penryn will be restricted to:

Port of Truro - Residents within Carrick, Kerrier or Restormel Districts.

Port of Penryn - Residents within Carrick, Kerrier or Penwith Districts.

A waiting list for moorings will be kept and a one off registration fee (non-refundable) will be charged.



The Harbour Authority is keen to promote and support marine related business within the harbour areas.



#### Orders of priority for mooring holders are:



- Riparian owners having direct access to the water from their property but this would have to be given up if the property is sold. Any Harbour Authority mooring licence associated with such a property would not form any part of the sale of the property.
- Bona fide full time fishermen requiring a mooring. However, should any fishermen cease fishing then any mooring(s) would be returned to the Harbour Authority for re-allocation.





- Commercial moorings for marine related business use will be considered and allocated on a case by case basis.
- Marine related charities requiring a mooring would be given priority and those for young people would be entitled to a mooring licence at no cost.

All moorings, including private moorings, within the Ports of Truro and Penryn are to be licensed in accordance with the respective harbour byelaws.

#### **Number of Moorings**

The Harbour Authority encourages the use of the harbour for recreational purposes provided safety and environmental concerns are addressed. Access to the water for the community is considered a priority.

It is not envisaged that there will be any increase in the total number of moorings within the Ports of Truro & Penryn. However any increase should allow, wherever possible, for an increase in shoreside facilities such as car parking, waste, fresh water and dinghy storage convenient to the area.

Small craft berthing can be increased through the use of alternative systems such as fore and aft moorings or pontoon systems and any of these should be considered on a case by case basis.

### **Moorings and Mooring Areas**

Moorings will be contained within the existing areas currently utilised. Areas that will remain free Harbour Authority moorings will include the Ruan Creek and the upper limits of the Tresillian River, above Bar Creek. Summer mooring areas at Greatwood, Restronguet, Feock, Mylor and Loe Beach are for use from 1st April – 30th September in any year.

A moorings plan for each area of the harbour will be kept and maintained by the Harbour Authority. This will be regarded as the definitive plan for the position of all moorings within that area.

The Harbour Authority will continue to issue managed moorings in areas considered appropriate and where a need has been identified.

There will be a maximum of two leisure moorings for any one mooring holder provided that they have two boats.

Any mooring may be left unused by the owner's own craft or sublet to another for a period of up to two years with the prior approval of the Harbour Master. After that period if the owners do not have their own craft on the mooring then it will be re-allocated. If moorings are sub-let without prior approval then the licence may be cancelled and re-issued.

Clubs and Associations may wish to take out a lease for an area in which to place their members' moorings. This has been a success in other parts of the Harbour and would be encouraged.



## **Visitors Moorings**

Visitor's pontoons are located at Turnaware Bar, Ruan Creek, Woodbury and Malpas. Managed moorings are sometimes also used for visitors together with their being a number of designated visitor's moorings.



Wherever possible facilities such as waste collection and fresh water will be incorporated



## **Moorings Charging Policy**

The provision of moorings will be self-financing and the charges for licences issued by the Harbour Authority will reflect this.

#### For help and advice contact:

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Web: www.portoftruro.co.uk

(weekdays between 08.30 - 17.30)

#### Other useful contacts:

Penryn Harbour Office Exchequer Quay Penryn TR10 8LS

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