



Seaham Harbour Marina

VISITING BOATS INFORMATION 2019-20



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Welcome to Seaham Harbour Marina

We are extremely proud of our multi-award winning marina. We're always working hard to ensure Seaham Harbour Marina is a fun and entertaining day out with plenty to see and do, as well as ensuring the marina is offering top facilities for our berth holders.

We have invested heavily in recent years and Seaham Harbour Marina is now home to a fantastic range of cafes, restaurants and shops.

The Marina is the perfect destination for fun family days out in the North East, learn more about the history of Seaham and the marina in the heritage centre and feel the sand between your toes on the beautiful slope beach before calling into one of the excellent cafes.

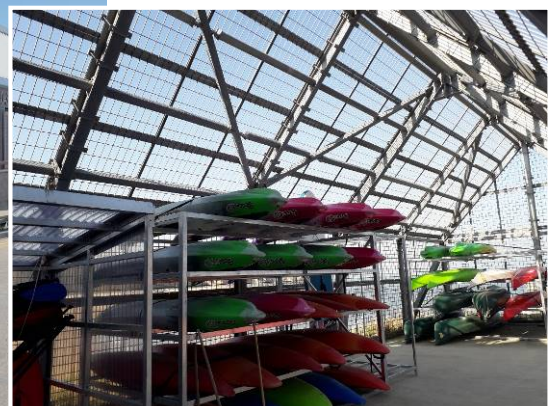
Completed projects that we hope you'll enjoy at our Marina are:

- ▶ a boat lifting crane
- ▶ improvements to the boatyard
- ▶ pontoon extensions



Activities planned from our Activity Centre for the year ahead include:

- ▶ kayaking
- ▶ stand up paddle boarding
- ▶ canoeing



Background

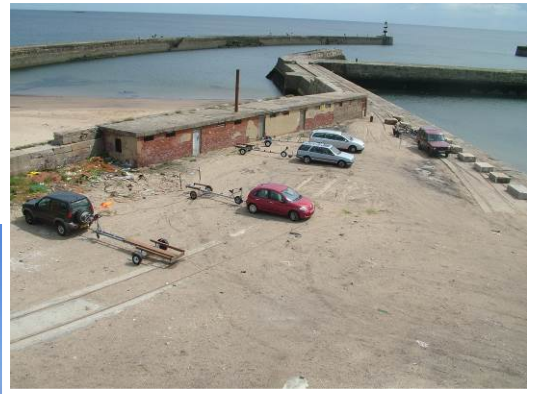
Over the last 15 years Seaham Harbour Marina has worked hard to bring about the regeneration of Seaham North Dock.

After the demise of the pits in the early 1990s the North Dock fell into a semi derelict state. The redevelopment of the Dock was one of the key objectives of the Seaham Regeneration Strategy undertaken in 1994. It was agreed the most appropriate way to bring about the restoration of the North Dock was to undertake a phased approach.

In 2006 the Council completed phase one of the redevelopment. This phase involved the undertaking of public accommodation works, restoration of the limekilns, viewing areas and secondary sea defense work.

The second phase of the redevelopment completed in 2012, aimed to bring economic life back to the North Dock, by creating conditions to support a working marina. This included the creation of the flagship building 'The Waterside' (comprising 12 commercial units), construction of a marina using floating pontoons to accommodate up to 96 leisure craft, reinstatement of the dock gates, improved slipway and improved public access to areas of the North Dock.

In partnership with East Durham Heritage Group, we have developed the former lifeboat house into a visitor attraction which is now home to the restored George Elmy lifeboat.



Location

- ▶ On the east coast, the only marina in County Durham
- ▶ 5 miles south of Sunderland and 11 miles north of Hartlepool
- ▶ Harbour entrance: 54° 50' 13.00" N / 01° 19' 17.00" W
- ▶ Marina entrance: 54° 50' 15.00" N / 01° 19' 36.00" W

Navigation marks

- ▶ Harbour entrance black & white circle lighthouse to starboard & 3 triangle red lights to port
- ▶ Marina entrance 3 inline red lights or 3 inline green lights to entrance of gateway – do not enter gateway/marina during 3 red lights

Hazards

- ▶ Give way to commercial shipping, do not anchor moor or drift through shipping lane
- ▶ Two historic mooring posts within marina basin marked during dark with yellow flashing light to top (4 seconds, single flash)
- ▶ Careful on entry within 50 metres of marina entrance during spring low tides, depths can shallow out to 1 metre

Approach

- ▶ Marina entrance is 276° west 350 metres from centre of harbour entrance between pier heads
- ▶ 5 knots speed limit throughout inner harbour and marina
- ▶ 3 green lights to marina entrance indicates safe to navigate gateway, 3 red lights do not approach gateway

Dock gate and sill

- ▶ A single leaf gate operates automatically to retain the depths at each low tide
- ▶ 3 red lights indicate gate closed, closing or opening and an audible alarm sounds during the closing or opening phase which takes 15 minutes
- ▶ The dock gate is open approximately 3 hours either side of high tides

Depths retained within the marina

- ▶ The sill is at Chart Datum height and the gate closes at +3m CD to retain the depths within the marina
- ▶ The shallowest depth within the marina when the gate is closed is 1 metre and the maximum depth is 1.8 metres at the visitor berths

Pontoons

- ▶ There are a total of 96 pontoon berths, this includes visitor berths
- ▶ Maximum LOA 10 metres and draft restriction 1.5 metres (standard pontoon berths)
- ▶ Pontoon services include electric & water located on the walkways (not each finger), cables & hoses are available in the pontoon storage boxes. Speak to Marina staff if you need assistance.
- ▶ Access to & from the pontoons is via an electronic fob security system

Safety and security

- ▶ The pontoons have the necessary lighting, rescue equipment and safety ladders
- ▶ Rescue equipment located throughout the site
- ▶ CCTV with 24 hour monitoring

On-site facilities

- ▶ Our slipway is located 20 metres from the pontoon access gate
- ▶ The on-site "Waterside" building facility which contains 12 individual business units is located within 50 metres of the pontoon access which has toilets & showers
- ▶ The Marina Office can be found on the upper floor of the Waterside along with the Lookout Café, Hello Sunshine, Reform2Perform and Taylor Hall. Nicey Icey, Bulan, Pancake Kitchen, Seaside Chic and Mr Jacob's Curious Sweet Emporium are all located on the ground floor. East Coast Fitness and Flamingo Bar and Café are located within the Marina Activity Centre.
- ▶ On-site historic lifeboat in recently restored lifeboat house for public viewing and heritage centre
- ▶ Free on-site parking or if full then parking at marina entrance is available

Off-site facilities

- ▶ The “Byron Place” shopping centre is within walking distance, 200 metres, of the marina entrance; stores include Asda, Argos, Home Bargain, Subway, Wilkinsons, Peacocks, The Works, Dominos Pizzas etc
- ▶ The sea front & Church Street shopping centre is within 100 metres of the marina entrance, offering The Hat and Feathers (Wetherspoons), B&Bs, restaurants, cafes, modern bars etc. Please speak to the Marina staff for recommendations.
- ▶ Dalton Park shopping centre is within 3 miles; this large complex of big brand discount outlets include Next, Adidas, M&S, Regatta, Berghaus etc

Explore Seaham

- ▶ The marina is at the centre of the award winning Durham Heritage Coast coastal walk
- ▶ Seaham Hall hotel is within 1 mile, the place where the famous poet, Lord Byron, married in 1815
- ▶ St Mary the Virgin Church is located within 1 mile, this Grade 1 listed Anglo Saxon church is only one of six like it in the country
- ▶ Speak to our friendly staff for more information on where to visit when in Seaham. We are more than happy to help.

Tariffs

Please contact the Marina Office for details of fees.

Contact

- ▶ Marina Office, Unit 10, Waterside, Seaham, County Durham SR7 7EE
- ▶ Telephone marina office 0191 581 8998
- ▶ VHF current contact through channel 16 then will be requested to switch to channel 8. Call sign “Seaham Marina”

Pontoon layout

