

Terms and Conditions for the storage of small craft in the Dinghy Storage Park, Hamble Foreshore

The Foreshore is a valuable public open space and an asset belonging to the whole community. The Foreshore provides public access to the water and is valued by the whole community. It also provides storage for over 200+ boats providing quick and easy access to the water via a public slipway and wash off facilities through an on-site water tap. At certain times of the year there will be large numbers of people, including pedestrians, in the area and these terms and conditions are designed to ensure that everyone can enjoy the space safely.

General

- 1.1 A plan of the dinghy storage park is available on the Parish Council website.
www.hambleparish.gov.uk
- 1.2 Only boats with a valid permit sticker can use the dinghy storage park.
- 1.3 Dinghies are stored at their owners' own risk and Hamble Parish Council (HPC) will not be responsible for any loss and damage, however it may occur.
- 1.4 Only vehicles authorised by the parish office are only allowed in to the dinghy storage park.
- 1.5 Access to the dinghy storage park is via a lockable barrier. The access code is available on payment of a refundable deposit of £20 as long as the barrier is securely locked immediately and access has not been misused or misrepresented.
- 1.6 Boats or equipment will only be moved by Hamble Parish Council staff for safety reasons or to manage a contravention of the terms and conditions.
- 1.7 Please help to protect the local environment and biodiversity by not using anti-fouling or other substances which may contaminate either land or water. Helpful information about best practice is available from the RYA at <https://www.thegreenblue.org.uk/Boat-Users>. Potential or actual contamination of the foreshore will be treated as a serious contravention and the Council reserves the right to cancel a permit with immediate effect.

Allocation Process

- 2.1 Spaces are let on an annual basis starting on 1 March for single hull boats under 16ft (4.8m) length with a beam of no more than 6'3" (1.9m). Trailers or trolleys should not exceed the overall boat length by more than half a metre. Boats with a fixed keel, cabin or inboard engine are not permitted. Permits obtained by misrepresenting boat or trolley dimensions will be withdrawn immediately and no refund given.
- 2.2 Complete the dinghy storage park application form on the Parish Council website.
<http://www.hambleparish.gov.uk>
- 2.3 Up to 3 spaces per household are allocated in the following order:-
 - to boat owners who are resident in the parish and on the electoral register for completed applications received by HPC by 31st January 2020.
 - to non-resident applicants, residents not on the electoral roll and residents' applications received after 31st January 2020.
 - to residents requesting fourth or fifth permits
- 2.4 Spaces are allocated on the basis of date of receipt, size of dinghy/space availability and the allocation of spaces may change each year.

2.6 If a specific space is needed due to mobility issues please contact the office.

Conditions of Use

- 3.1 Ensure your boat, trailer and associated equipment is totally contained within your space; not your neighbour's!
- 3.2 Remember that the dinghy storage park is a public area enjoyed by pedestrians so keep the walkways free of obstructions and in a clean and tidy condition for everyone to enjoy.
- 3.3 Permit stickers enable Hamble Parish Council to identify boat owners in an emergency and must be clearly displayed on the transom. Please ensure the permit stickers are in a visible position and not obscured by boat covers.
- 3.4 Permits are not transferable between boats or owners.
- 3.5 All boats must be insured by the permit holder for Public Liability.
- 3.6 When not in use the boat should have its mast stepped back unless it can be stored within the length of the dinghy. Please also remove drain plugs to immobilise the boat and so it doesn't fill with water making it difficult to move in an emergency.
- 3.7 As boats may need to be moved in an emergency permit holders must ensure that trolley/trailer tyres and wheels are in a serviceable condition.
- 3.8 The cost of water use is reflected in the cost of the annual charge – so save water and save money. Please report any leaks or other issues to us immediately on 07949 160885.
- 3.9 Keep your contact details up to date so we can contact you in an emergency.

Enforcement

Hamble Parish Council has consulted users of the dinghy park on these terms and conditions. Where people are either ignoring the conditions or are not authorised to be there the Council will take all reasonable steps to resolve the situation but will use a combination of fines and other actions. These are designed to achieve a speedy end to any breaches.

- 4.1 Only boats **displaying** an authorised permit sticker are permitted in the dinghy storage park. If a sticker is not displayed it is assumed that the boat is not authorised to be there and the contravention procedure will be implemented (see 4.3 below).
- 4.2 Boats and trailers will be subject to periodic inspections to ensure these terms and conditions are being complied with.
- 4.3 If a contravention is found the following measures will be taken:
 - (i) the owner will be emailed (by the parish office, informed of the contravention and given 14 days to rectify it;
 - (ii) if the contravention is not rectified a fine of £50 will be levied. This is payable within 14 days and the contravention must be rectified;
 - (iii) If no action has been taken the permit will be withdrawn, no refund will be given and we will not consider any future applications from the permit holder concerned, other members of the same household or for the same dinghy.

4.5 The Council reserves the right to refuse to issue a further permit where any of the following apply:

- Money/fines remain outstanding
- Damage or misuse to the dinghy storage park, tap, Foreshore, slipway or other Council facilities including the toilets
- Persistent and unresolved contraventions
- Abuse or threatening behavior to other dinghy storage park users, members of the public or members of Hamble Parish Council (staff and or Councillors)

4.6 A person who places an unauthorised boat in the dinghy storage park or obtains a permit by misrepresentation will not be considered for a permit for 5 years from the date of Hamble Parish Council's formal decision.

Charges

Dinghy storage park permit: £3 per week payable as a one-off bank transfer of £156.
Minimum fee of £78 applies (Subject to the decision regarding postage costs.)

Replacement of permits: £10