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**- BURGESS MARINE EXPANDS TO SHOREHAM PORT -**

*Britain's largest independent ship repairer, [Burgess Marine](#), has partnered with [Shoreham Port](#) to revitalise ship repair in the commercially thriving Sussex Port.*

Shoreham Port offers one of the few remaining dry dock facilities on the South Coast of England. The Port has had a dry dock facility since the 1930's and since that time has provided a valuable service to the marine industries on and around the South Coast.

Over recent years, through significant investment by Shoreham Port, primarily in the infrastructure, huge progress has been made in the operational throughput, efficiency and service provided by the dock. Burgess Marine is looking to reinvigorate the ship repair business in the Adur dry dock by attracting both its existing customer base and new clients into the facility.

The Adur dry dock has recently hosted square rigged sailing vessels, yachts, trawlers, tugs, workboats and small ferries, and Burgess Marine are open to enquiries from these and all other craft.

Principle characteristics of the Adur dry dock:

- Length - 50.5 metres (45 at blocks)
- Breadth - 10 metres at water level (8.5 at blocks)
- Draft - 5.2 metres over blocks
- Amenities - Electric 110V, 240V, or 440V @ 16A or 32A
- Fresh water: workshop and mess facilities
- 0.5 tonne Lifting davit and access for mobile cranes up to 80 tonne

Brian Needle, Burgess Marine's Operations Director comments: "the facility is superb, as is its location between our existing facilities in Dover and Portsmouth. We already have colleagues living close to the Port and its proximity to our other sites means that we can easily cover larger packages of work and major refits. It's a win-win for us; especially as the Team within the Port are so 'pro' ship repair".

Tony Parker, Shoreham Ports Director of Engineering goes on to say: "the Port has been looking for a suitable partner for some time and Burgess Marine ticks all our boxes. They have the scale, reputation and professionalism to deliver ship repair work here in Shoreham in a safe, sustainable, and commercial competitive environment and we look forward to working with them in building the credibility and customer base of the Adur dry dock. Hopefully this is the beginning of a long and fruitful relationship".

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## **Burgess Marine**

For bookings and / or enquires about the Adur dry dock in Shoreham Port contact either Mr Brian Needle on T: +44 7766 100 247 or Ashley Hurrell on T: +44 7779 337725.

Burgess Marine is at the forefront of the specialised marine engineering industry, having earned a worldwide reputation as experts in all aspects of structural repairs and renewals as well as mechanical repairs both above and below the waterline.

With workshops and offices in Dover, Portsmouth, Portchester, Southampton, Poole, Avonmouth, Devonport and within STP Palma the business is ideally located not only to support the UK's largest passenger ports, but also shipping in general throughout the busy English Channel and Superyacht's based in Mallorca.

From its head office in Dover, Burgess Marine also provides highly skilled teams capable of carrying out planned refits and emergency works worldwide, having worked extensively throughout Europe and the Mediterranean, the Middle East, the Far East, North America, South America and the Caribbean.

The combined marine engineering experience of the Directors and Technical Management within Burgess Marine exceeds some 250 years; it is this level of knowledge and experience, together with complete commitment, that gives customers total peace of mind and Burgess Marine the leading edge.

Burgess Marine is an ISO 9001:2008 British Standards Institute accredited company and holds 'DNV Approved Supplier' status; the company is also a full member of the Association of Diving Contractors. [Click here](#) to view all accreditations and policies.

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