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- NEW MARITIME GROWTH IN LOWESTOFT -

**“BURGESS MARINE: THE UK’S PREMIER
MARINE ENGINEERING SERVICES PROVIDER”**

Britain’s largest independent ship repairer and marine engineering services provider, [Burgess Marine](#), is pleased to announce further growth in East Anglia; the Lowestoft maritime sector is booming.

Burgess Marine acquired the Small & Co. shipyard on Commercial Road in October 2015. The business operates a 76.5mtr x 14.5mtr dry dock and a 70m layby berth located in the ABP owned and operated Port of Lowestoft.

Post a restructure earlier this year the team at Burgess Marine Lowestoft have successfully grown the business in support of key customers such as Boston Putford, Fugro, Windcat Workboats, Dover Harbour Board and numerous major commercial, civil and tourist operators on the Thames.

Recently the business has completed major refit works for the UK Border Force in Malta, and is today supporting two significant projects - the docking of Incat 057 in Cherbourg and the launch of a 30mtr x 12mtr x 1.7mtr pontoon, built locally in the old Brook Marine fabrication shed, weighing in at approximately 110T. Both of these projects are of major significance and total circa £2m of contract value.

Paul Kirby, the General Manager of Burgess Marine Lowestoft comments: “having successfully restructured the business earlier this year it’s great to see further growth locally and clearly benefiting by being part of the bigger Burgess Marine business; to have built the Thames pontoon here in Lowestoft is fantastic and furthermore the team have greatly enjoyed supporting works in both Malta and today in France”.

Nicholas Warren, the CEO comments: “we’re huge fans of the team in Lowestoft and the local customer base, and whilst there have been some issues regarding the transfer of the lease to Burgess Marine from Small & Co. these have all been resolved, to all parties satisfaction, and both ABP and Burgess Marine are now looking forward to continuing their professional working relationship in Lowestoft and across the UK. We’ll continue to work our hardest for the port and all our local customers”.

Burgess Marine leases land from ABP in Southampton and Lowestoft and recently our Sister Co. Meercat Workboats built the Port of Southampton a 15m workboat.

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Burgess Marine

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 Lowestoft, Dover, Portsmouth, Portchester, Hythe - Southampton, 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 United Kingdom and Superyacht's based in Western Mediterranean.

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 business has three further tranches; it focuses on marine procurement for the Superyacht commercial and cruise ship sectors under the 'Global Services' and 'Global Newbuild' brands, builds workboats under the 'Meercat Workboats' name, and technically supports the operation of Superyachts under the 'Trafalgar Yacht Support' banner.

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 committed to operating within the parameters of leading international management system standards and is therefore accredited to ISO 9001 (Quality), ISO 14001 (Environmental) and BS OHSAS 18001 (Health and Safety) respectively.

Additionally, accreditations are held with Bureau Veritas and DNV in relation to Diving Operations. More recently, Burgess Marine has gained approval for the welding and fabrication of structural steelwork in accordance with EN:1090 and has also embarked on the journey to gain 'fit for nuclear' (F4N) status with the Nuclear Advanced Manufacturing Research Centre (AMRC). Burgess Marine operates across multiple industrial sectors and therefore maintains approval with JOSCAR (aerospace, defence and security sectors), Achilles UVDB (utilities sector) and PICS (aggregates sector). [Click here](#) to view all accreditations and policies.

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