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- NEW SHIP REPAIR FACILITY IN PORTSMOUTH -

**“BURGESS MARINE: THE UK’S PREMIER
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Britain’s largest independent ship repairer and marine engineering services provider, [Burgess Marine](#), today proudly announces that in partnership with Portsmouth City Council it has opened a new Ship Repair Facility within Portsmouth Commercial Port.

Burgess Marine Ltd and MMD Shipping Services Ltd, part of Portsmouth City Council, have launched this new strategic partnership in style with an emergency 3-day alongside docking for Wightlink Ferries.

Burgess Marine and MMD have been building a relationship over the last few months for the use of Flat House Quay in Portsmouth’s Commercial Port; the quay, over 100m’s in length, offers both ‘flat water’ and 24/7 access to a 100T crane.

In this instance Wightlink needed an emergency change out of a VOITH unit and by utilising the quay at MMD, the crantage alongside, and the skills and technical engineering experience of Burgess Marine the job was able to start immediately and completed within the allotted timeframes and budget.

James Brewin, the General Manager of Burgess Marine in Portsmouth (which includes the company’s 1000T shiplift in Portchester and its operations inside HMNB Portsmouth) comments: “Wightlink are one of our most important customers here locally and to be able to support them alongside in such an immediate fashion has been fantastic. Whilst this is our first use of the site we see great, great potential and plenty of local opportunity moving forward”.

The facility is ideal for commercial shipping, yachts and defence centric tonnage.

Dave Redman, the COO of Burgess Marine goes on to say: “the forward looking nature of Portsmouth City Council coupled with the Ports ‘can do’ attitude totally compliments the way that we work at Burgess Marine. We’re keen to keep customers onsite, develop unique client facing offerings, and we look forward to working with all the vested parties well into the future”.

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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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