



Falmouth Harbour
Commissioners

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Waterfront Crew get their hands dirty for a close up view of a Tall Ship

Falmouth Harbour Commissioners are readying themselves for the Tall Ships Race by enlisting the help of the 'Waterfront Crew' to clear Custom House Quay basin of litter ahead of the arrival of the first vessels.

The 'Waterfront Crew', a holiday activity group set up by Falmouth School and the local police and fire services, rolled up their sleeves and got to work. The clean up of the basin on 2 September was one of their final projects before heading back to the class room for the new term.



The activity group was set up to promote and encourage sustainable and useful activities for Falmouth School children, aged between 12 and 16, during the school holidays. The activities included a number of community based events and clean ups. In return for their efforts the children were treated to free fun activities on the water.

As thanks for their hard work, Falmouth Harbour Commissioners will be taking all of the children who took part in the basin clean up out on the water on Harbour Launch 'Trelawney' to get an up close and personal view of the Tall Ships once they are in the harbour.

Tim Cocks, Project Manager of Phoenix, a youth project set up at Falmouth Fire station, originally set up the Waterfront Crew, he said: "This is a really beneficial project for young people, giving them a real respect for their environment.

"It is great that local businesses, such as Falmouth Harbour Commissioners, are so willing to support us, and it gives a great sense of community that everyone is pulling together to support the town ready for the Tall Ships."

Mark Sansom, Falmouth Harbour Master added: "It's extremely encouraging to see young people getting hand's on with the environment. The Tall Ships Race is a huge event and I hope that by getting our future generations involved with pre event preparation they will be inspired by the sheer scale of the event and the sea.

"I am really looking forward to taking them all out on the water for a special trip to see the Tall Ships as thanks for all their hard work."

The group of youngsters are now eagerly awaiting their trip on 'Trelawney' when the Tall Ships enter the port at the end of next week.

Ends.

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Notes to Editors:

Falmouth Harbour, including the Carrick Roads, is reputed to be the third largest natural harbour in the world. Falmouth Harbour Commissioners are a statutory port authority with responsibility for the Inner Harbour at Falmouth (excluding Falmouth Docks), the Penryn River up as far as Boyers Cellars, the southern part of the Carrick Roads and a large part of Falmouth Bay. As well as providing regulation of its Harbour Area the Commissioners provide small craft facilities for residents and visitors.

Falmouth Harbour Commissioners is a statutory port undertaking created by an act of parliament in 1870. It operates as a trust port and has a board of eight commissioners who act as trustees. Falmouth Harbour Commissioners are committed to operating the harbour in an open and accountable manner and welcome feedback from harbour users.

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