



Falmouth Harbour  
Commissioners



A&P Falmouth Ltd

***MEDIA STATEMENT***

***South West RDA Budget announcement***

**Falmouth Harbour Master Captain Mark Sansom said:**

“We and our partners at A&P Falmouth are disappointed to hear the news that the South West RDA is not able to provide direct funding for the dredging in Falmouth harbour.

“Whilst we were hoping to secure funds from the RDA towards this project we do not see this as the end of the line. We are encouraged that the RDA recognises the importance of the Harbour and the Docks to Falmouth’s wider economy and wants to work with us on making the most of this important asset.

“Over the coming weeks we have meetings planned with the RDA and other partners to discuss the future of the project and alternative means of funding.

“Everyone involved is passionate about the project and working with partners to move it forward. We understand that it requires substantial funding and we are committed to exploring and pursuing all possible funding avenues.”

**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.