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Dear Mr Burrows,

I am writing to you after noticing your Planning Application to Arun District Council for establishing a timber jetty on the river (ref AB/14/21/HH). As I hadn't yet heard from you directly on the proposal, I just wanted to write to ensure you are aware of the following additional licensing requirements for marine works which are explained further at <https://www.littlehampton.org.uk/environment/marine-licensing/> and on our attached guidance document. Please note that it would appear you also require the following (in order) because the project includes works in the river within the high water springs line,

- 1) Consent from the Angmering Park Estate (owner of the riverbed in that location) - in your case as you are proposing to use existing timber piles, you would need to be able to evidence ownership of them too as they fall with
- 2) MMO Marine License (or proof of exemption) - this ensures compliance with a broad range of marine planning legislation. The Harbour Board is a statutory consultee in the MMO's process and will feed in our comments as part of this process.
- 2) Littlehampton Harbour Board (the Statutory Harbour Authority) Local Consent for Marine Works - this final consent process is managed by me on behalf of our board and focuses on temporary or permanent navigational safety risks

Generally, I and the board are very supportive of additional moorings on the river but I will need to take a more detailed look at your proposals due to their proximity to the area where visiting craft turn on arrival or departure at the opposite Arundel visitors pontoon. The tide runs swiftly through this area as you will be aware and turning around here is already challenging. If the channel is narrowed here, boats will need a few extra points in their multiple-point turns and will be carried along sideways further by the flooding tide towards the hazardous width and height restriction of Queens St bridge. If the proposals are to be consented to, careful consideration will need to be given to mitigating the additional risk to craft here including direction on safe mooring arrangements for vessels on this jetty once established (e.g. a very wide vessel would create an even greater channel restriction).

If I can be of assistance in any of the above processes, please give me a call on [REDACTED] or drop me an email [REDACTED]. I look forward to seeing the applications for Marine License and LHB consent in due course. I have sent a copy of this letter to the Angmering Park Estate's agent and also the ADC Case Officer.

Kind regards,

Harry Gregory
Harbour Master, Littlehampton

