

**Designated Person
(Port Marine Safety Code)**



Argyll & Bute Council is the Statutory Harbour Authority for four ports and harbours, and the asset owner for 35 other marine facilities across the West of Scotland and the Clyde Estuary. The Council is responsible for ensuring a safe environment for the general public, users of the harbour facilities and the Council's staff at all times. This includes operations within the areas of navigational responsibility and shore side facilities. This is achieved through the implementation of marine policies through the Council's Marine Safety Management System. Argyll & Bute Council has appointed an independent Designated Person to monitor compliance with the requirements of the Port Marine Safety Code; the Designated Person is:

Monty Smedley of ABP Marine Environmental Research (ABPmer) Ltd

All pier, port and harbour users, including Harbour Authority staff have direct access to the Designated Person. Concerns regarding marine safety in the port or harbour, in the first instance, should be raised with the Harbour Master (or for Authority staff with your direct line manager). If additional, independent advice regarding the matter is required, any reasonable concerns can be brought to the attention of the Designated Person by any of the following methods:

Designated Person Contact Details:

By email: DP.ABC@abpmer.co.uk

By post: Designated Person (PMSC) 'ABC'
ABPmer
Quayside Suite, Medina Chambers
Town Quay
SOUTHAMPTON
Hampshire
SO14 2AQ

By telephone: 023 8071 1892 or 023 8071 1889

The Designated Person and the Maritime Team at ABPmer:

- have detailed knowledge of the Port Marine Safety Code, the Guide to Good Practice for Port Marine Operations and accompanying Competency Standards;
- provide independent assurance to the Duty Holder that the marine safety management system required by the Port Marine Safety Code is working effectively; and
- at regular intervals, audit the Harbour Authority's compliance with the Code.

The Designated Person has direct access to the Duty Holder whenever this is deemed necessary.