



## **Use of Drones/unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs)**

Yarmouth Harbour. At all times of day and night this busy harbour is used by a variety of boats from small recreational craft to Car and passenger ferries. The Harbour its areas and pier are popular with tourists, visitors and the general public.

Unregulated and careless drone use carries many potential hazards, ranging from risk of injury to passengers/crews on boats through to collision with oncoming vessels. There are also hazards to users of the recreational areas and people using the pier.

To protect our visitor's privacy and in the interests of safety, the harbour and its areas are not considered a safe place for the routine recreational use of any UAVs. It is therefore prohibited to fly from commissioner's property.

However, there are occasions when commercial businesses and professional film makers may request the use of a UAV to film a particular scene or wish to use a drone to complete a survey.

In such instances the request will be considered carefully.

### **Process**

1. A minimum of four weeks' notice must be provided.
2. The application should include:
  - Proposed location, time and duration of filming
  - Risk assessment and method statement
  - Insurance including public liability
  - Details of proposed UAV operating company i.e. CAA licenses/certificates. Type, size and weight of UAV.
3. It is a basic requirement that the drone maintains a minimum of at least 50 metres from any persons, vessel, bridge, pier or other structure and other restrictions may apply.
4. The fee must be agreed in advance with YHC and settled in advance for permission to be granted.