



Small Boats – Update Call 0930hrs 20th November 2021

Present:

Name	Chair
Julie-Anne Wood	DOD
Name	COLO
Dai Jones	JRCC Maritime Tactical CMDR
Dom Golden	JRCC-AR Tactical CMDR
Name	RNLI
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Notes:

SitRep: Activity started at 2030UTC went through the night and ongoing still – now up to E3
This has changed operating planning from yesterday

Wx has changed and sea state and wind will deteriorate overnight potentially earlier than expected but there may be a small window for launching at 2200hrs tonight (Windy App)

OP SOMMEN is still active as of 0937 - taking roter copter off vessel - No activity in this area to this time.

Concerns or risks:

Aviation assets active since 0200 today. Have had a gap 0730-0945 filled by Lydd. Unable to provide 2 aircraft today (Dom has addressed with 2XL). FW until 1600. Drone for OP SOMMEN grounded due to rain (AR5). Helo available if needed – no issues foreseen. Humberside still on standby to go to Lydd if required (early hours of tomorrow). Dom expecting another request for an OP ALTAIR sortie to fly again tomorrow

RNLI update **Name**

Current understanding is that availability is as was advised yesterday. Medium confidence for sustainability at Dover and Hastings for 48 hour period. Dai advised that Dover was out between 2030hrs-0345hrs then back on the water 0800hrs to present. **Name** has a full crew at 1 hours notice ready to relieve any fatigued crew. In view of last will seek to offer to mobilise to Dover through **Name** launch authority

Rye Harbour LB station off station due to an event they are attending

Not able to get to duty crews in planning at present but it is something that he will work on with RNLI colleagues - exploring options in the next few weeks

Ramsgate – refusal to launch last night as there were no BF assets active. **Name** aiming to speak with Cox'n to understand decision making process and will report back to ST.

JAW asked about BF and French assets in area - Speedwell, Athena, Hunter, Hurricane all deployed. There is a French Warship in French TSS and a French LB 2 miles in the EEZ. Possible activity there?

Reminder that the Manche Plan can be activated for SAR if required

PD updated that UKBF assets will be off water by 1600 hrs - then offloading and resting. Will be available again from 0400hrs tomorrow.
No intel for launches tomorrow - may get an update at 1700hrs today.

Welfare:

CRT plus [Name] is at Tug Haven.

TRiM offer to go out to Maritime staff working nights last night and into today [Name] and [Name] offering Coastal colleagues TRiM.

Next meeting – 1800hrs 20th November 2021