

### **ABOUT MARINE WATCH**

Through working with members of the community and other agencies, the Marine watch initiative aims to prevent and detect marine related crime, develop an awareness of the work of the marine unit to gain better community relationships and to establish Marine Watch areas in Essex. There will be various schemes in place to help us achieve our goal.

These include-

Marine Watch packages will be available for members of the public who wish to join the scheme. This will include an information leaflet on the role of the Marine unit with contact numbers, a registration form to register any marine equipment with serial numbers on the police register (Can also be found on the back of this form) This pack will also contain stickers, information on local bylaws and other useful documents.

Marking days, and other security related initiatives can be organised with local volunteer co-ordinators to ensure boats and equipment are marked to help trace their rightful owners.

### **SUCCESS**

For this scheme to work it is important to keep interest and enthusiasm high. This will be achieved by ensuring regular meetings are set up, a high number of high visibility patrols are carried out, the newsletters are delivered on time and the information is current and relevant.

### **SUMMARY**

The Essex Police Marine Watch initiative can offer support and reassurance to a wide range of people throughout the marine environment whilst in turn gaining intelligence to help reduce crime. This initiative could make a great impact on the divisional policing plan and help to keep Marine crime low.

### **CONTACT**

If you would like further information or would like to discuss any Marine related matters please contact us

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- Regular shore patrols by PCSO's
- Regular meetings
- Regular Newsletters
- Setting up of operations to target current crime trends
- Marine Watch packages