ILFRACOMBE HARBOUR BINFRASTRUCTURE

Ilfracombe Harbour is the largest Harbour on the North Devon Coastline and situated on the entrance to the Bristol Channel and on the cusp of Bideford to Foreland Point Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ). The harbour itself is boarded by Areas of Outstanding Beauty (AONB) and is situated close to the SSSI sites of Hele, Samson's and Combe Martin Bays. The Harbour is also on the South West Coastal Path.

The harbour is a drying Harbour and as such is a much used dog walking area.

Ilfracombe Harbour is a high tourist area with, on average, a footfall of 2000 + per day in peak season.

The harbour is split into two, 2, sides, the Pier and the Cove with one, 1, road leading to /from the Pier and one, 1, through roadway on the Cove leading up to the main road and past the newly built Watersports Hub, consisting of community club areas and an onsite commercial café. There are Carparks on both the Pier and the Cove areas with three, 3, others in close proximity.

Along the access road to the Pier, Quay Road, there are Three, 3, Public Houses, two, 2, sit in restaurants and six, 6, take away outlets. On the entrance to the Cove there is one, 1, sit in / takeaway food outlet with multiple others in the near vicinity.

On the Pier side there is one sit in/ takeaway café operated by the Aquarium.

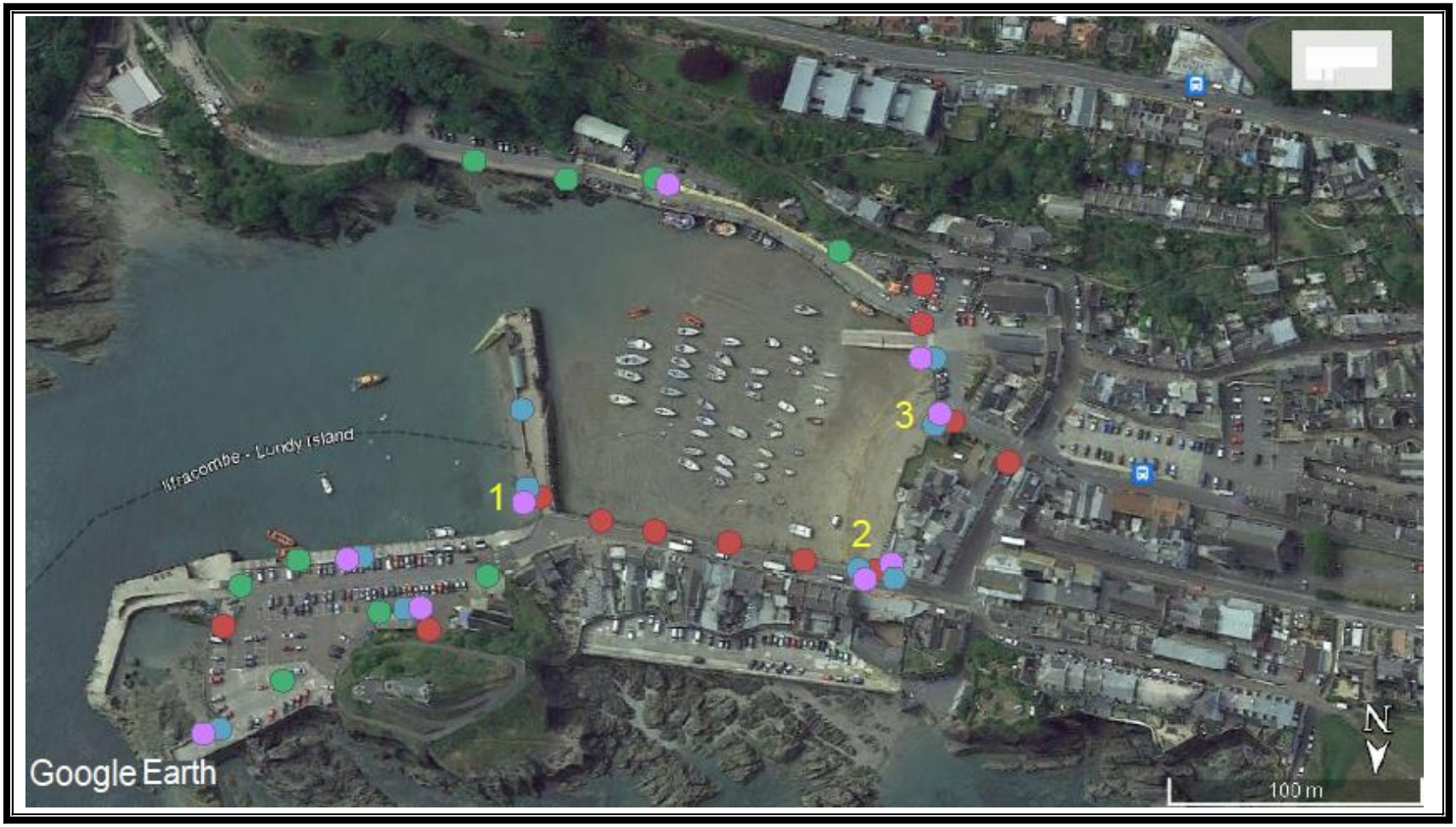
All of these establishments and other uses of the Harbour lead to an ever increasing amount of food waste containers, plastic bottles, drink cans and other general waste products including dog waste.

Ilfracombe Harbour is the home of the first Waste Shark in the UK
https://www.wwf.org.uk/updates/wwf-and-sky-launch-wasteshark-marine-robot

The waste shark, Sharkie, is utilised to pick up the waste within harbours waters but this can only do so much. Binfrastructure is critical within the Harbour area to ensure waste is disposed of correctly and reduce the risk of this waste entering the Harbour and being washed out into the Bristol Channel.

Below is the breakdown of bin provisions within the Harbour area and the proposed plan for Binfrastructure in line with the Litter Working Groups ethos.

Ilfracombe Harbour Binfrastructure Overview



NEW GENERAL WASTE

NEW BOTTLE/CAN RECYCLING

TO BE REMOVED

EXISTING TO BE UPGRADED WITH VINYL WRAPPING &/OR RECYCLING APERTURES

Existing Bins to be replaced around the Harbour and New

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Existing Bins to be upgraded around the Harbour and/ or Replace with new as above

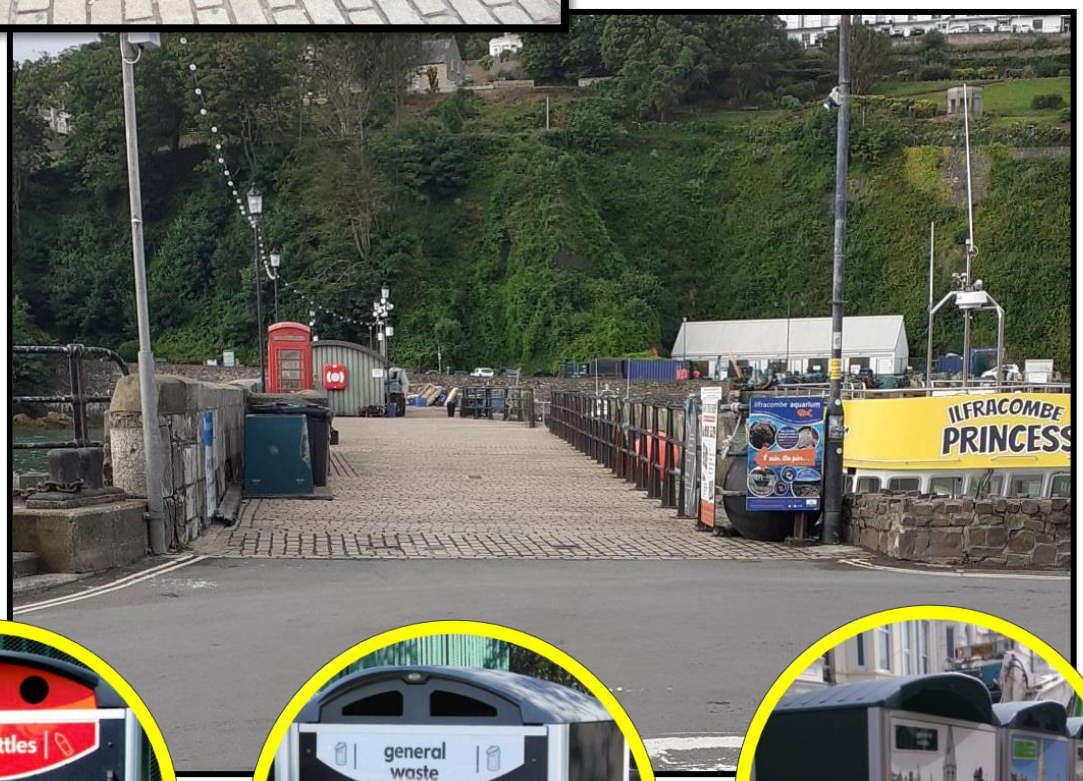
Convert to recycle bin for bottles and cans. Modify openings to take cylinders. Wrap in vinyl with new signage to match others.

Bins to be removed from around the Harbour.

Bin Stations

In locations 1, 2 and 3 proposal is to install ‘Bin’ Stations comprising of General Waste & Cans/Bottles in larger single 1100L or double 240L bin housings with the option to advertise local businesses’.

Bin Station #1



Bin Station # 2

Bin Station # 3