



Inshore Lifeboat, at 4.21pm on 7 March 2020

Swanage's D Class inshore lifeboat was tasked this afternoon to assist in the recovery of a climber to the West of Anvil Point. The climber had become cold and tired and was unable to climb back up the cliff.

The volunteers from Swanage and St Albans Head Coastguard Cliff Rescue Teams were already on scene but they requested lifeboat support to give an option to lower the casualty down to the water rather than pulling him up the cliff.

The lifeboat launched and was soon on scene. The cliff rescue team were setting up their equipment and with the casualty 6m or so above sea level the lifeboat stood by until required. It was decided that the easiest way to recover the casualty was going to be to pull him up the cliff so the ILB stood by until this was done.

Once everyone was safely back at the cliff top the lifeboat was released to return to station.



This year, Swanage's lifeboats have responded to two incidents together.

The Shannon class all-weather lifeboat has also launched to one incident.

The D class inshore lifeboat has launched to two other services.

This gives a total of 5 incidents responded to, so far, this year

