



Inshore Lifeboat, at 2.56pm on 23 February 2019

When Swanage's volunteer Coastguards saw a kayaker struggling in Studland Bay when they were patrolling, they contacted the UK Coastguard and requested the Swanage Inshore Lifeboat (ILB) attend.

The ILB launched quickly in misty conditions and rounded Old Harry in good time, then contacted the Swanage Coastguard for further information and location details. Swanage Coastguard were able to report that they had assisted the kayaker to shore but asked the ILB to continue to Studland and meet up with the team in case further help was needed.

A short time later, and happy that all was now under control, the ILB was able to stand down and return to station.



This year, Swanage's lifeboats have not yet responded to any incidents together.

The Shannon class all-weather lifeboat has launched to 1 incident.

The D class inshore lifeboat has also responded to 4 incidents.

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

