



All Weather Lifeboat, at 6.26pm on 26 June 2020

Swanage's all weather lifeboat was tasked on Friday evening to reports of a motorboat with engine failure half a mile SE of Old Harry Rocks. The volunteers were paged and the lifeboat launched 12 minutes later.

The lifeboat was quickly in the area where the boat was thought to be but there were no vessels visible. Solent Coastguard tried to get in touch with the people on the boat via mobile phone whilst the lifeboat continued round into Studland Bay where a few boats could be seen.

After a few minutes the Coastguard radioed back to say that the crew on the motorboat had finally managed to restart their engine and were making their own way into Poole harbour. With the situation resolved the volunteers were released to return to station. Once back at the station the boat was cleaned, sanitised and made ready for the next call.



This year, Swanage's lifeboats have responded to 4 incidents together.

The Shannon class all-weather lifeboat has also launched to 8 incidents.

The D class inshore lifeboat has additionally launched to 9 other services.

This gives a total of 21 incidents responded to, so far, this year

