



### **CMN Skills Model**

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- Introduction to CMN
- Explanation of the CMN Skills Model + Key Achievements
- How CMN serves the Atlantic Strategy
- Collaboration opportunities for the future



#### **CMN** brief history



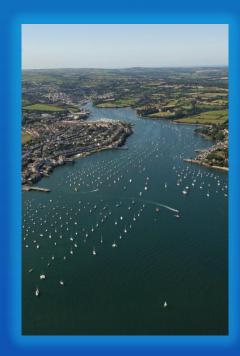
- Formed in 2002 by marine employers to give identity to the Cornwall marine and maritime sector
- Not-for-profit; limited by guarantee
- Owned by 351 marine businesses mainly SMEs
- Members' subscriptions provide core income
- Additional income accessed through delivery of local, regional, national and international contracts
- CMN expert staff employed to serve Employer needs



#### **Cornish Marine - Facts & Figures**



- Longest Coastline at 433 miles in UK
- £550 million per annum GDP in Cornwall
- 1 in 7 of the marine jobs in UK
- 14,000 jobs directly or indirectly involved in marine sector
- 600 businesses in Cornwall





#### **CMN Mission & Objectives**



Mission Statement:

'To increase the economic prosperity of our member companies'

- Promoting growth in Cornish marine businesses through specialist marketing, training, innovation and networking support
- Raising the profile of CMN with stakeholders (inc. public and private sectors)
- Introducing young people to the scope of career opportunities in the marine sector and providing fresh talent with appropriate qualifications for the workplace



#### **CMN Skills Model**



- Integrity of relationship means Employers share their needs with CMN Skills Brokers
- CMN source solutions, including securing project funds to deliver outcomes
- Cornwall Marine Academy promotes career opportunities to 14 to 24 years, delivers vocational training experience with member businesses
- Cornwall (UK) Apprenticeship Agency offers a low risk and low cost option of Apprenticeships exclusively to SME's
- CMN pays marine employers to provide vocational training
- Flexible delivery removes previous barriers to engagement:
  - at employer premises
  - evenings & weekends
  - no minimum cohort numbers
- CMN prioritises PEOPLE, then SERVICE, then PROFIT; not the other way around
- CMN skills model is still growing despite austerity cuts



### **CMN Skills Model - Key Achievements**



- Gained > £14 Million project funding
- Created more than 1,400 new jobs
- Engaged more than 5,000 Employees in skills and training
- Provided real vocational training to >3,000 Young People aged
  14 to 24 years
- Created >1,020 new SME Apprenticeships in just 2 years
- Added more than £130 Million Gross Value Added to Cornwall economy
- Achievements are without parallel in UK; Europe?



# **CMN** services related to **Atlantic Strategy Action Plan**



- Improving skills in Atlantic industries and raise awareness of sea-related careers:
  - Training for member businesses is key to underpinning growth
  - Creation of Apprenticeships to support sector SMEs
  - Creation of the Cornwall Marine Academy to engage with
    Young People 14 to 24 years)
  - Pre-training pathways for Marine Engineering and Watersports professions
- Preserving the Atlantic's cultural heritage:
  - creation of a Virtual Learning Environment for traditional wooden boatbuilding skills; free worldwide access boat-building.org



## **CMN services related to Atlantic Strategy Action Plan**



- Upgrade of businesses infrastructures:
  - Cornwall Marine Capital Fund worth £1.9 Million RGF co-funding businesses capital investments, including boatyards and marinas, to create >450 new jobs supported by new skills training
- Raise awareness of marine careers:
  - Engagement of schools and employers
  - Raise the profile of the sector's jobs
- Increase employability and opportunities for young people in the sector:
  - Support and facilitate the access to Apprenticeships for marine sector SMEs
  - Deliver employability programmes for Young People to access the marine sector
- Ensure longevity of knowledge and skills:
  - Deliver high quality training that Employers need
  - Support emerging sub-sectors
  - Provide re-skilling for people facing career changes



# **CMN Vision for Marine Sector in the Atlantic Strategy**



#### **Collaboration Opportunities:**

- Apprenticeship schemes
- School's engagement
- Exchange & Mobilities programmes; Vocational & Work-Based
- Young People & NEETs
- Virtual Learning Environments
- Skills related progression routes
- Skills revival and preservation
- Employer-led skills needs
- Engaging SMEs / Creating Jobs / Improving Economic Prosperity

### Thank you

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