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Lifeboats

LATEST CALL OUT INFORMATION

Launch Report 2/2007

THREE FISHING VESSELS ESCORTED INTO HARBOUR IN ROUGH SEA CONDITIONS

Call Out No:	2 / 2007				
Day:	Wednesday	Time:	5.54PM	Date:	21 st Feb 2007
Weather:	Cloudy	Wind Speed:	Force 1 - 2	Direction:	Westerly/SW
Visibility:	Clear	Sea State:	Very Rough		
Lifeboat(s) Launched :	All Weather Mersey Lifeboat	Crew: -	Michael Douglas, John Hanvey, Ian Fisher, Mark Pearce, Eric Bramley, Ian Bloomfield, Neil Calvert.	Landrover / Shore Crew:	Scott Priestley.
Returned to Station:	6.20pm	Service Duration:	25mins	Coastguard Incident No:	079734

At 5.54pm on Wednesday 21st February 2007, Seahouses Lifeboat Coxswain received a mobile phone message from a fishing vessel returning to Seahouses, seeking advice about the sea conditions at the entrance to Seahouses Harbour. Although the wind on the coast was light, there were strong gales further out to sea, which had made the sea very rough, with large waves breaking diagonally across the harbour mouth, combined with a very high tide. The Lifeboat Operations Manager was informed, and it was decided to launch the All Weather Lifeboat "**RNLB Grace Darling**" immediately, to escort this and two other vessels into Seahouses Harbour. The crew were paged and Humber Coastguard informed of their intentions.

The lifeboat launched and escorted three Seahouses fishing vessels, "**Standsure**", "**Good Fellowship**" and "**Harvest Home**" into the Harbour, using a searchlight to monitor breaking waves near the boats. All three vessels with a combined total of seven crew, entered the harbour with great care amongst the breaking seas, and reached the safety of the harbour without incident. Once all three were safe, the Lifeboat then returned to station at 6.20pm that day. Wave heights were 6-8 metres.

Ends.

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