

Gosport Marina.

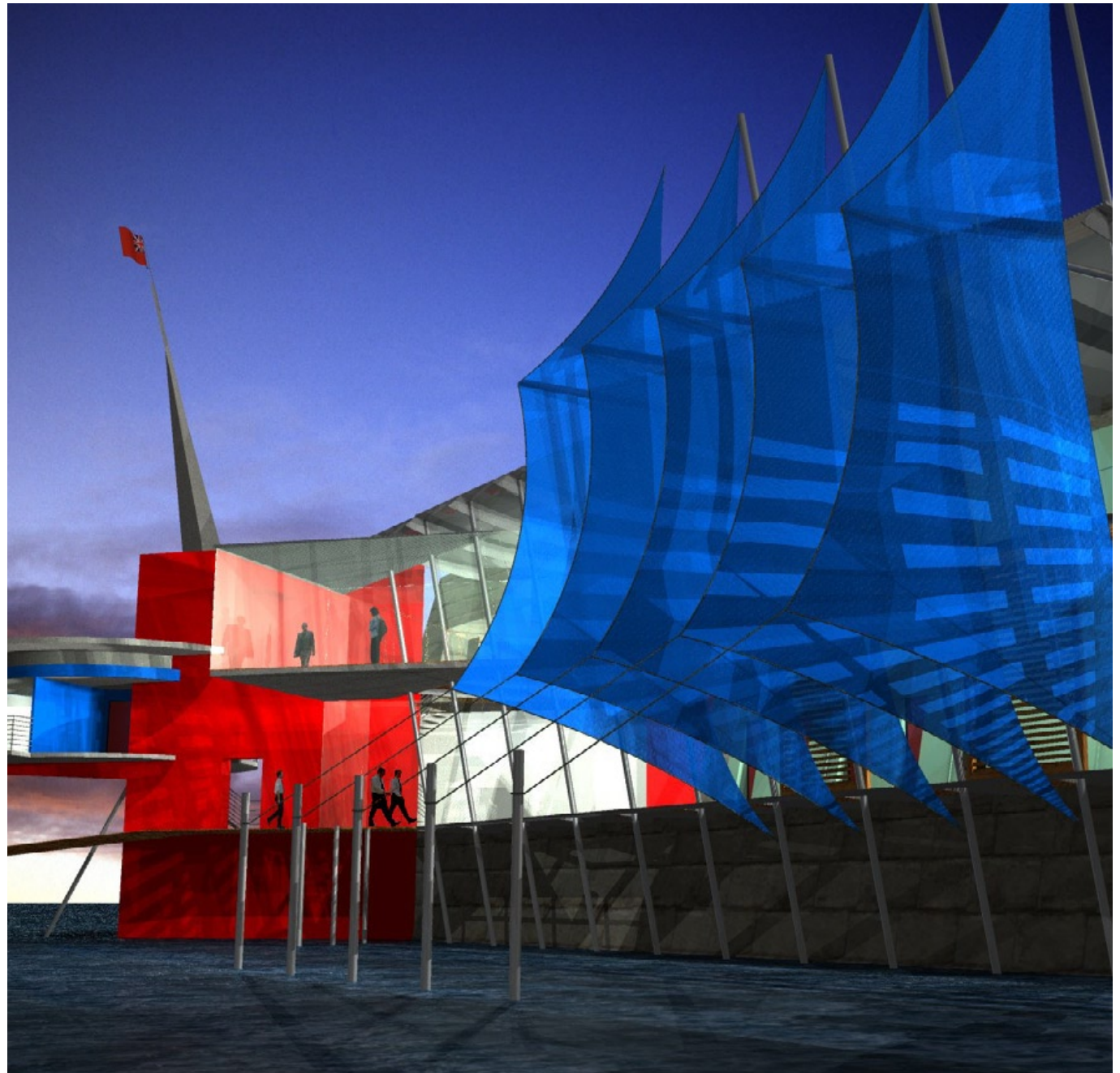
Gosport Marina is one of the UK's oldest marinas, having been started in the mid-1960's. It currently provides 350 berths. The marina's onshore facilities are all housed in converted commercial/industrial rather than purpose-built buildings.

This competition entry for a new capitainerie was organised by the Royal Institute of British Architects. This is part of a wider proposal to redevelop the marina, which would involve land reclamation, dredging, additional pontoon berths, housing and the demolition of old out-dated buildings.

The term 'capitainerie' is used to describe the marina building which houses marina reception and administration, customer washrooms and, in this case, a bar, restaurant and lounge.

The design is an exploration of the tension between architecture based on the density of harbour walls and the lightness of modern boat technology: the images used were published in the Bentley 2000 Success Awards.

Client: Gosport marina
Project value: £2.5m



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