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Southend's Inshore Lifeboat Launched To Drifting Boat.

Southend on sea's RNLI lifeboat crew launched the inshore lifeboat ILB1 from the inshore boathouse at 17.55hrs to reports via Dover Coastguard of a boat adrift offshore near to the Beach Club, Eastern Esplanade, Southend.

The volunteer lifeboat crew located the drifting boat that had parted its mooring in the very blustery conditions and safely towed the vessel back and secured it on its own mooring.

Southend inshore lifeboat returned to the inshore boathouse.

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For more information and photos on Southend on sea lifeboat station go to www.southendlifeboat.org

Key facts about the RNLI: The RNLI is the charity that saves lives at sea. Its volunteers provide a 24-hour search and rescue service around the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland coasts. The RNLI operates 237 lifeboat stations in the UK and Ireland with 4,700 lifeboat crew and has more than 1,300 lifeguards on over 220 beaches around the UK and Channel Islands. The RNLI is independent of Coastguard and government and depends on voluntary donations and legacies to maintain its rescue service. Since the RNLI was founded in 1824 its lifeboat crews and lifeguards have saved over 140,000 lives.

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