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Early Morning Launch For Southend's RNLI Volunteer Lifeboat Crew

Southend on sea's RNLI volunteer lifeboat crew were awakened at 4.00am this morning as their pagers went off requesting a lifeboat launch to assist a broken down angling boat.

The lifeboat crew launched the Atlantic 75 lifeboat from the pierhead and made their way in the darkness to the 24ft vessel, suffering engine failure, located 1 mile west of the South Shoebury Bouy.

Arriving on scene, the lifeboat crew found the three anglers aboard all ok and set up a line for a tow back to the vessels mooring at West Beach, Shoebury.

With the boat secured, the anglers were safely dropped ashore and Southend lifeboat returned to station.

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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 over 230 lifeboat stations in the UK and Ireland and has more than 140 lifeguard units on beaches around the UK. 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 137,000 lives.

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