



St Helier Boat Owners Association

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held at St Helier Yacht Club on the 21st January 2016 at 1730.

Present:	M Clarke (MC) P Donne Davis (PDD) C Gill (CG) K Hennelly (KH) P Rose (PR) V Walker (VW) N Wood (NW)	Action
1. Apologies	M Stevens, P Carter & W Simpson. In the absence of MS, NW took the chair.	
2. Minutes	The minutes of the last meeting were approved & signed.	
3. Matters Arising	<p>Corbiere Fog Signal Consultation – PDD said that following discussion at the AGM, he had confirmed that the Association had no objection to the proposed removal.</p> <p>Red Dinghies – KH said one was on the slip, but the two others appeared to be missing – to be queried with Mike Tait.</p> <p>St Helier Marina Buoys – PR proposed suggesting to Mike Tait that their visibility be improved before the season.</p> <p>St Helier marina barriers – NW reported that the car park barriers were now operational. However, in order to exit, he had to re-boot his card by holding it on the unit outside the facilities block for 30 seconds.</p>	<p>MS</p> <p>MS</p>
4. Issues Arising from the AGM	<p>PDD said there were 2 particular matters which we should follow up in due course:</p> <p>Phil Buckley's commitment to investigate moving the Elizabeth marina holding buoys into deeper water. MC suggested we discuss with the Fishermen's Association to move the idea forward.</p> <p>Phil Buckley's agreement to look into improving parking for Old Harbour users, as the NNQ spaces were all rented out.</p> <p>PR asked if dogs has been raised. PDD said MS had referred to the issue in his report, but there had been no discussion. PR said that the livaboard owner granted a concession to walk his dog on the ramp had returned to the UK for the winter & NW suggested there was an opportunity upon his return for Mike Tait to tell him that the concession was terminated, due to a change of policy.</p>	MS
5. Chairman's Report	<p>MS had passed the December MDG meeting minutes to PDD, who read the items relevant to St Helier:</p> <p>Old Harbour entrance berthing – no action until St Helier marina development is reviewed.</p> <p>St Helier marina development – Dredging is needed before work on the</p>	

	<p>piles & pontoons. Planning will take place mid 2017 with works hopefully completed in Spring 2019.</p> <p>Berth vacancies – Currently 71 reported. NW suggested this was misleading, as UK owners on Summer contracts had returned to the mainland & others had moved to the cut-price winter moorings in St Helier marina. They would return when the Summer contracts commenced again on 1st May, leaving no room for aspiring owners wishing to buy new boats. NW added that marina staff had worked hard last season to accommodate new boats & Mike Tait had assured the MDG that the same would happen in 2016.</p> <p>There is to be a maintenance dredge in the main harbour in Q1 2016.</p> <p>Steam Clock area – Myra is to hold a meeting to consider the parking of boats & the possibility of car parking spaces. NW said he believed the boat parking would be for a couple of new boats for sale by a broker & PR suggested that the area South of the old light house would also be suitable to display boats for sale & would add to the boating atmosphere. MC felt PoJ could do more to help encourage & support new entrants into boating.</p> <p>Regarding the additional parking spaces, PDD suggested that mooring holders in the old harbour could be given first refusal, to help address the concern raised at the AGM.</p>	MS
6. Treasurer's Report	<p>CG said that the membership was down to 469, after several deaths & some resignations, most of which had given up boating. A few cash & s/o's were outstanding & she had sent reminders by letter or email.</p> <p>She had received a total of £70 by s/o from past members & NW suggested this be donated to CIAS this year & this was agreed.</p> <p>She tabled a list of members who had given the location of their boats, for use by WS when distributing flyers & said such reports were easy to produce from the database.</p> <p>NW offered to include flyers with South Pier Marine's main invoice mailshot in March. This idea was welcomed & PDD undertook to pass the information to WS..</p>	WS/NW PDD
7. Any Other Business	<p>PR asked if there was any news about the relocation of the Sth Pier fuel berth & NW said he understood it would be moved to NNQ when the new security fence was installed.</p> <p>La Collette Facilities – MC said he had asked when the works would be complete & Mike Tait had advised him it would re-open this week, but it hadn't. PDD said he had reported to the MDG meeting on 16th December that the new boiler had been installed.</p> <p>Power Boat Race – VW felt that fewer young people were taking up boating, perhaps in part due to the popularity of kayaking, windsurfing & similar activities. He said the Jersey Power Boat Association was now up & running & he hoped it would revive interest. A big international race was planned in St Aubin's bay in August & they were looking for further sponsors & guard boat support.</p>	
8. Next Meeting & Termination	<p>The date of the next meeting was agreed as 18th February. The meeting was closed at 1910.</p>	