



# St Helier Boat Owners Association

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held at St Helier Yacht Club on the 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 1730.

Present:	<p>W Simpson (WS) M Clarke (MC) P Donne Davis (PDD) C Gill (CG) K Hennelly (KH) P Rose (PR) N Wood (NW)</p>	Action
1. Apologies	P Carter (PC). Absent: V Walker (VW)	
2. Minutes	The minutes of the last meeting were approved & signed.	
3. Matters Arising	<p>WS reported on matters he had discussed with Mike Tait (MT):</p> <p>2017 Tariffs – MT had advised that CICRA had received a complaint about the proposed 2% increase and their investigation would delay the new tariffs by 9 months. The resulting unplanned reduction in revenue was not assisting the Marina team in implementing various projects.</p> <p>Holding pontoon on NNQ – MT thought this a good idea and intended to implement it once funding is available. MC reported that the La Colette holding pontoon had recently been reserved for Yacht Club races, but the boats had been out sailing all day.</p> <p>Rubbish – MT had raised this issue, saying he was looking for solutions, including more frequent emptying &amp; possibly caging the bins with marina pass access.</p> <p>Exposed bolts on blocks – MT was aware of the problem, which also extended to rotten wood in the blocks. NW said he understood that bookings were taken by the office, but users were not being charged. PDD suggested an income source by charging Infrastructure dept. for encroachment on harbours land &amp; loss of parking spaces on the slipway by the proposed cycle track boardwalk.</p> <p>Elizabeth parking tickets – WS noted the legal difficulty explained by Mike Stevens &amp; added that non-payers can be taken to the Magistrates Court. PR said commercial vans working nearby had been using 2 spaces lately.</p> <p>La Collette parking barrier – delivered &amp; awaiting fitting.</p> <p>Lifeboat – The RNLI delay in announcing the result of the appeal until mid June was considered unsatisfactory.</p>	
4. Chairman's Report	WS recorded his thanks to VW & Ultimate Business Solutions for printing the Newsletter & to CG & team who had prepared the mailing.	

	<p>Treasurer Succession – WS &amp; CG had had a useful meeting with Mark Peters &amp; CG will be arranging to discuss the role with him in detail. WS will advise Tim Scott Warren, the Independent Examiner of his candidacy.</p> <p>Marina Gates – WS noted that Elizabeth had been closed to incoming boats yesterday. PR said notice had been given for closure on Tuesday night &amp; the work had clearly been more complicated than expected.</p> <p>WS said he had received two complaints about restricted opening at St Helier marina. It was believed that exiting had originally been at 1.8m, with a 10 minute delay for entry. This had been increased to 2.2m following a French yacht incident &amp; now increased again, with a significant delay for entry. WS agreed to raise this with MT.</p> <p>Old Harbour Ladders – WS said he had received a complaint about some being closed. NW said repairs were gradually being carried out.</p>	<p>CG WS</p> <p>WS</p>
5. Treasurer's Report	<p>CG reported that the Long Distance Swimming Club had re-joined &amp; membership was now 451 &amp; the current a/c balance £620. She had donated 3 s/os from deceased members to CIAS.</p>	
6. Any Other Business	<p>Holding Pontoon on NNQ – It was suggested the Association might sponsor the fitting. Given that the works could be expensive &amp; the committee had limited power, it was agreed that WS float the idea to MT, with a view to bringing a proposal to the AGM, if the idea was considered feasible.</p> <p>Newsletter – NW asked how the email process would work &amp; CG said she was still struggling with the 1&amp;1 website process, but had devised a workaround.</p> <p>La Collette Life Rings – MC reported that 2 were lying on D pontoon &amp; others were not mounted properly. WS will refer this to MT.</p> <p>Elizabeth wifi – PR reported that the wifi was weak &amp; the 1 hour limit a nuisance. He suggested there should be a code for boat owners, to prevent it being used by the flats &amp; general public. WS to discuss with MT.</p> <p>Dogs – PR said 3 large dogs had been walking on the pontoons &amp; he understood that an Alsatian &amp; a golden retriever were on board non-resident owned boats. He wondered whether the policy should be changed so locals could be treated equally. WS will discuss with MT.</p> <p>Passeport Escale – PR said he had signed up at the office &amp; having queried why there was no information on Ports' website he was told details were being passed out verbally pontoon by pontoon.</p> <p>Bank A/Cs – PDD said he had been advised that upon recently attempting to change signatories at HSBC, a charity had been required to transfer their a/c to the personal name of their treasurer. Research was needed before appointment of a new treasurer.</p>	<p>WS</p> <p>WS</p> <p>WS</p> <p>WS</p> <p>CG/NW</p>
7. Next Meeting & Termination	<p>The date of the next meeting was agreed as 7<sup>th</sup> September. The meeting was closed at 1855.</p>	