

St Helier Boat Owners Association

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held at St Helier Yacht Club on the 19th April 2018 at 1730.

Present:	W Simpson (WS)	Action
	P Carter (PC)	
	M Clarke (MC)	
	P Donne Davis (PDD)	
	K Hennelly (KH) M Peters (MP)	
	P Rose (PR)	
	N Wood (NW)	
1. Apologies	Absent: V Walker (VW).	
2. Minutes	The minutes of the last meeting were approved & signed.	
3. Matters Arising	Harbours Master Plan – WS reported that there was no further news yet.	
	St Helier Marina – WS had no further news & it appeared that progress was stalled.	
	Holding for RIBs – Mike Tait (MT) had said that the Small Roads was impractical & he expected that one charterer would be based at St Catherine this summer.	
	Boat Park – MT had advised that only a small area by the gates was incomplete & it was noted that many more boats were in the park.	
	Fishermen's pontoons – appeared to be progressing well, with a number of boats already using them. MC reported that the lock on the marina access gate was broken.	WS
	Waterfront Plans – No committee members had attended.	
4. Chairman's Report	Harbours Clean-up & Mooring Chains - WS said MT was planning clean-up work on Sunday 29 th & work was to be carried out on chains at the North end of the old harbour.	
	WS said that the main thrust of his recent activity would be covered under item 7.	
5. Treasurer's Report	MP advised that further chasing of outstanding subscriptions had yielded equal numbers of payments & resignations. He did not plan any further reminders. A few more email addresses had been received & the bank balances were unchanged. WS thanked him for his efforts.	
	PDD said the new Data Protection Law would come into effect on 25 th May & it appeared that it would impact the Association, which had been exempt under the 2005 Law. PC, PR & NW offered some guidance from	
	their experience & it was agreed that PDD should draft a plan for	PDD

	compliance in respect of present & future members & circulate it to the committee. If a letter to members was necessary the aim would be to include it with the newsletter.	
6. Newsletter	WS had circulated a draft & said he would update the piece about the seaplane plan & include the latest committee details. NW agreed to have 200 copies for distribution from South Pier Marine's Boat Show stand. It was agreed that copies should be sent to members by email & posted to the 92 who had not provided email addresses. A supply would also be given to the Harbour office & yacht club.	WS/NW/PC
7. Seaplane Proposal	WS said that following his email to members, a number had submitted their views to Mr Heaps of Marico. He had met with the yacht club Commodore & representatives of RCIYC & the rowing club, where concerns about delays to access to & from the marinas & harbours had been raised in addition to the safety issues. He understood that Guernsey clubs were against the idea, but that it had support from the authorities there. PDD said he had raised the matter at the yacht club AGM & it had been agreed that the club would encourage members to send comments to Marico. It was noted that charts would need amending & that under international COLREGS, seaplanes are required to give way to all other vessels. WS stressed the importance of everyone writing in & NW thanked WS for his hard work on this matter.	
8. Any Other Business	St Brelades Bay Speed Limit – KH tabled pages 21 & 22 of a document, the origin of which was unknown, proposing a 5 knot speed limit north of a line between La Cotte Point & Grosse Tete for all vessels except those operated by licensed beach concessions. Committee Vacancy – PDD said there had been some useful submissions to Marico from the perspective of sailors & suggested that WS might seek a volunteer from them. Boat Show - PR asked if many boats were signed up for the show & NW said it looked like there would be a good selection of craft. PDD said that he & WS had been invited to the Ports' Supporters lunch at the show.	WS
9. Next Meeting & Termination	The date of the next meeting was agreed as 17 th May. The meeting was closed at 1835.	