



St Helier Boat Owners Association

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held at St Helier Yacht Club on the 27th September 2018 at 1730.

<p>Present:</p> <p>In attendance:</p>	<p>W Simpson (WS) P Carter (PC) P Donne Davis (PDD) K Hennelly (KH) P Rose (PR) N Wood (NW) G Gaudin (GG)</p>	<p>Action</p>
<p>1. Apologies</p>	<p>M Clarke (MC) M Peters (MP) and V Walker (VW). WS welcomed GG to the meeting as a potential new committee member providing a sailing perspective.</p>	
<p>2. Minutes</p>	<p>The minutes of the last meeting were approved & signed.</p>	
<p>3. Matters Arising</p>	<p>Harbours Master Plan – WS reported that there was no indication of when it would be published, but the Waterfront Plan was expected soon. GDPR – PDD reported that he had received notification from the Data Commissioner’s office that the Association’s registration had been approved and would be subject to annual renewal.</p>	
<p>4. Chairman's Report</p>	<p>WS reported on matters discussed at a recent MDG meeting:</p> <p>Jet-skis – Rival had been policing the new speed limits in St Brelade’s Bay & some had moved their activities to St Aubin’s Bay where there is less danger to swimmers.</p> <p>St Helier Marina – the plan was paused, with minimum ongoing maintenance only. Open meetings for berth holders were planned. The gates were now operating at 2 meters & should be back to the original 1.8 meters next year.</p> <p>Elizabeth Tidal Flow Meter – A full re-wire is needed.</p> <p>Boat Park – It was confirmed that relocating boats from St Pier to the boat park for winter work was to be discontinued & they would revert to Sth Pier. NW said South Pier Marine would set a limit of 10 boats.</p> <p>Seaplane – WS had been shown the risk assessment report by the Harbourmaster, who had had no recent contact with the operator, but expected trials to take place early next year. It categorised a number of risks & suggested ways of mitigating them. None were considered show stoppers & it identified periods when the Small roads were relatively quiet. It confirmed that boats must always have priority.</p> <p>Berth Allocation Policy - PC noted that there were some spaces in La Collette that had been vacant for a long time & asked what the policy</p>	

	<p>was. PR added that a berth in Elizabeth had been provided for an 85 foot boat & another boat was using a second berth for dinghies etc. As there were now waiting lists for all marinas, WS agreed to discuss the matter with Mike Tait to ensure that the allocation policy was being applied fairly & in the best interests of all users.</p> <p>CICRA Seminar – PDD reported that he had attended in the absence of WS, together with representatives of commercial & leisure users of the harbours & airport. Attendees were asked to keep the content confidential until formal information was issued for consultation. However, it appeared that the process to establish a format for controlling Ports charges will take some time & fees are likely to remain frozen at least until 2020, impacting expenditure on service.</p>	
5. Treasurer's Report	<p>PDD read a note from MP advising that he has met with Christine Gill for advice & had then completed the annual accounts, subject to receipt of bank statements to the year end. He would then send them to the Independent Examiner.</p> <p>He had also provided backup copies of the membership database to WS & PDD.</p>	
6. AGM Planning & Policy for unchanged S/Os	<p>PDD said he had checked that the Yacht Club could be available on Tuesday 20th or 27th November & that either date suited the Treasurer. WS said he preferred Tuesday 20th and this was agreed. PDD said he would send a formal request to the Club.</p> <p>PDD advised that a new team would shortly be taking on the Club's catering & the AGM buffet would need to be discussed once they had settled in.</p> <p>Regarding members who had not increased their S/Os WS said we did not want to lose members & it was agreed one last reminder could be included with the AGM notice & thereafter irrespective of amounts paid, all would remain members.</p> <p>GG said he had heard that some members had been offended by the tone of previous reminders & queried whether cash payments could still be accepted at the AGM. WS confirmed that the Treasurer would be available to receive payments at the end of the meeting.</p> <p>PDD said that to ease the new Treasurer's workload last year, membership cards were made available on request only. He believed that only a very small number of requests had been made & suggested that the arrangement be continued. This was agreed.</p>	<p>PDD</p> <p>MP</p>
7. Any Other Business	<p>WS reported on issues raised by members:</p> <p>Rubbish at the Barraques – It appeared that this was fly-tipping, but raised the issue of inadequate refuse bins on Sth Pier.</p> <p>Refund of Passeport Escalade payment – WS would discuss with Mike Tait.</p> <p>Charges for boat park use compared to UK – given the shortage of land & high demand, pricing was set to encourage speedy turn round. Costs could be provided by traders if requested.</p> <p>Recommendation to replace new mooring lines – considered to be outside the scope of the committee.</p> <p>Elizabeth Marina – PR said there had been a number of near misses due</p>	<p>WS</p>

	<p>to boats waiting to exit on a red light, instead of complying with the instruction to wait in their berth until the green light. He suggested staff should be present at busy times to avoid the risk of a serious accident. PC suggested CCTV monitoring & a loudspeaker as an alternative. WS agreed to discuss the problem with Mike Tait.</p> <p>St Helier Marina Drying Pad - GG said he was concerned at the potential loss or the well used pad in the plans for a new layout. WS said he would raise this when the plans were available for consultation. NW suggested that there were alternative sites for a pad, such as adjacent to the blocks on Sth Pier.</p> <p>Dinghies marked for removal – KH said that one of two dinghies marked with 7 days notice had only recently been removed & the other was still there & flooded.</p> <p>Old out-haul pipe on Sth Pier – WS said this restricted parking & risked damaging vehicles & he suggested it should be removed.</p>	<p>WS</p> <p>WS</p> <p>WS</p>
8. Next Meeting & Termination	The date of the next meeting was agreed as 25 th October. The meeting was closed at 1845.	