



# St Helier Boat Owners Association

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held at St Helier Yacht Club on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2019 at 1730.

<p>Present:</p> <p>In Attendance</p>	<p>W Simpson (WS) P Carter (PC) M Clarke (MC) P Donne Davis (PDD) G Gaudin (GG) K Hennelly (KH) M Peters (MP) P Rose (PR) Simon Porritt (SP)</p>	<p>Action</p>
<p>1. Apologies</p>	<p>N Wood (NW). Absent, V Walker</p>	
<p>2. Q&amp;A with Simon Porritt</p>	<p>WS welcomed SP to the meeting.</p> <p>Animals - He started by asking about the new 'No Animals' signs on marina gates. SP said notices had existed, but were not clear &amp; a discussion with a dog owner in La Collette had shown a need for more clarity. He was considering a trial in La Collette but WS warned that French visitors still use the holding pontoon. Regarding visitors using Elizabeth, SP said they were vetted before being allowed &amp; dog owners from Guernsey &amp; UK were permitted. WS referred to a licencing suggestion from a member &amp; SP said he preferred a simpler process.</p> <p>Albert Pier pontoons - WS asked about the idea of extending the pontoons on Albert pier. SP said the plan was to extend to the Duke's mooring, to accommodate boats from St Helier marina whilst works were conducted &amp; it was also part of the long term Master Plan. MC queried the width of the sump, should commercial vessels also use the pontoon. MP suggested that the out-haul area could be dredged &amp; developed for larger boats.</p> <p>Drying Pad - GG raised the subject of the drying pad, suggesting the north end of the Old Harbour would be suitable for installing an up to date facility. SP confirmed that the pad in the marina would have to go &amp; would add this idea to the list of recommendations, which include the old fishermen's blocks in La Collette.</p> <p>Elizabeth Tide Gauge &amp; Gate – SP said the new gauge had arrived &amp; would be installed in a few weeks. Replacement of the gate was high on the agenda as it was a safety issue.</p> <p>Communication – WS said for a period on April 24<sup>th</sup> access to Sth Pier &amp; La Collette was closed for a running race &amp; while he understood that traders had been advised, suggested that boat owners should also have been warned. SP said he had not been advised of the road closure.</p> <p>Liveboards – GG asked if they paid more for having greater use of the</p>	

	<p>marina car parks. SP said they had to comply with the 3 day rule.</p> <p>Working berths – MC enquired about the old tug in the English harbour &amp; SP said progress was being made, with a new engine recently installed. Some others were rented to traders &amp; Ports have been working to remove wrecks from those under their administration.</p> <p>La Collette car park – MC pointed out that a disabled space within the car park was unused, as there were spaces outside &amp; SP said he would look at this. PC suggested an email to members in La Collette to establish any need for that space.</p> <p>Berth allocation – MC said there were only about 20 14m berths in La Collette &amp; several were occupied by smaller boats, one of which rarely moved &amp; could be moved to Elizabeth. SP confirmed the one year allowed waiting for a new boat, with some flexibility permitted.</p> <p>PR said that published lists with reference numbers in place of names would resolve rumours &amp; queries about queue jumping, MC said anyone can ask for their position on the list &amp; raise concerns. PC suggested it would be helpful to have an update of waiting list numbers.</p> <p>Elizabeth lights – PR highlighted the safety issues of non compliance with the rules &amp; said proactive policing was needed. SP undertook to refer this to the Harbourmaster.</p> <p>Dinghy cull – KH offered the committee’s assistance in a clean-up &amp; SP agreed to arrange one on a Sunday.</p> <p>Trailers on Sth Pier – PDD said he believed traders had certain permits, but a member had complained about the number of trailers blocking parking spaces. SP said he would look into the position.</p> <p>The Sail Loft – PDD understood that the existing tenant had been given notice &amp; that a gin company was to take on the lease, contrary to the presumption that marine activities have preference. SP said he would look into the position.</p> <p>Reporting Line – SP said he reported to Myra &amp; expected to report to the Harbourmaster when she retired.</p> <p>WS thanked SP for his time for a useful meeting &amp; he departed at 1845.</p>	
3. Minutes	The minutes of the last meeting were approved & signed.	
4. Matters Arising	Boat Show – By all accounts it had been a successful. PR noted that fewer than usual boats were on the pontoons & PDD said that Myra had reported at the Saturday lunch the sale of two large boats.	
5. Chairman’s Report	WS noted the pricing arrangement agreed by CICRA & said he had nothing to add to the matters covered in the Q&A session with SP.	
6. Treasurer’s Report	MP tabled a letter of thanks from the JLA for our donation. He confirmed that he had removed a retired member’s email address from the mailing list.	
7. Any Other Business	No further matters were raised.	
8. Next Meeting & Termination	The date of the next meeting will be set after the summer break, unless urgent matters arise. The meeting was closed at 1855.	