

St Helier Boat Owners Association

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held at St Helier Yacht Club on the 16th January 2020 at 1730.

Present:	W Simpson (WS)	Action
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	P Donne Davis (PDD)	
	G Gaudin (GG)	
	K Hennelly (KH)	
	M Peters (MP)	
	P Rose (PR)	
	N Wood (NW)	
1. Apologies	M Clarke (MC) & V Walker (VW)	
2. Minutes	The minutes of the last meeting were approved & signed.	
3. Matters Arising	Elizabeth Gate – WS reported that the storm gate was expected to be repaired in 2 sessions in the summer & that the tide gate had been sorted. Bill Sadler (BS) was considering shortening the traffic light operation and/or operating on request by the Coastguard during the winter.	
	Albert pontoons – 2 quotes had been received, but more information was needed from the suppliers.	
4. Matters from AGM	Actions arising from the meeting:	
	PDD said there were several items to be followed up with BS, including fresh water provision for the old harbours & a drying pad solution. He felt BS's response to the shortening of parking time by Commercial Buildings being Infrastructure responsibility was inadequate & Ports should be supporting their boating customers. WS added that the changes to parking by the fish shop had been raised by a member & PC said the drop off spaces at La Collette marina had been changed to staff permit spaces.	WS
	Gin on Sth Pier – WS said he understood that sales to the public had been stopped until they obtain a retail licence, but that retail sales are not permitted in their lease.	
	Dinghy cull – in view of concerns raised at the AGM, WS suggested he invite members to attend the cull on Sunday 29 th March & this was agreed.	WS
5. Chairman's Report	Fuel Duty - WS reported that the resurrection of a fuel duty idea had not proceeded in the States.	
	Seaplane - He understood that if the application was to proceed the process could not be completed for this year.	
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	Committee – His request for potential new members had yielded one response & it was agreed that the candidate be invited to attend the next meeting.	WS
6. Treasurer's Report	MP reported that he had paid the 3 donations agreed at the AGM & also the bill from the yacht club caterers of £567.60 (£510 last year) PDD said he had agreed an increase of £1 a head for 50 people & thought the quality was a big improvement. PDD said the 1&1, our website providers had increased their monthly hosting fee from £8.99 to £10.	
7. Any Other Business	S/O's still at old rate – MP said non responders may have moved or changed emails. WS suggested MP had done more than enough to resolve the situation & they should remain as members.	
	Sth Pier drying blocks – KH said that some concrete blocks used for extra support had been left & WS agreed to ask Harbours to remove them.	WS
	Ladders – KH said some ladders around the old harbours were rotten & NW suggested that WS ask Simon Porritt (SP) to share the maintenance schedule with us. PR said this should include their planned works to retain the 5 Anchor status, saying there was a problem with rats in Elizabeth marina.	WS
	Escale – PR had discovered that berth holders in St Quay got 20 nights under the scheme, whilst we only get 10. NW suggested this was due to it being harder to administer with 3 marinas.	
	Harbours Master Plan – WS tabled some preliminary plans & said he hoped more information would be presented at the next MDG meeting.	
	Electricity overcharge – PC reported that a system fault had resulted in his bill exceeding £3,000 & recommended that owners check their accounts.	
	Empty marina berths – PC reported that a 12-14m berth in La Collette had been empty for 3 years. NW proposed a walk round the marinas to list vacant berths while few boats were in the boat park or cruising. WS said he would invite SP to join in.	WS
8. Next Meeting & Termination	The date of the next meeting was agreed as 26 th March. The meeting was closed at 1840.	