

MEETING OF THE PADSTOW HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS 08/18

HELD AT THE PADSTOW HARBOUR OFFICE

ON THURSDAY 16th AUGUST 2018 AT 7.00PM

Present: Mr G Saunders, Mr A Hoskin, Mr M England, Mr J Hewitt, Mr P O'Neill, Mr W Delacour, Mr D Martin, Mr C Toogood, Mr N Billing (DHM)

Apologies: Mr M Stacey

In Attendance: Mrs P Hicks (Secretary), Mr D Lockwood, Mr B Phillips, Mr C Faragher & Mr H Jarvis, Cornish Kayaking

**To Take
Information and
Comments from
Any Members of
the Public
Present:**

NB informed the Commissioners that Mr Bryn Phillips would like to talk to the Commissioners at the start of the “in committee” part of the meeting. All the Commissioners agreed with this.

Cornish Kayaking – Mr Coll Faragher introduced himself and Mr Henry Jarvis to the Commissioners and passed around leaflets to them outlining their proposed operation at Rock with risk assessments and insurance, stating that they also had all the relevant safety equipment. CF has already been running an operation called Cornish Coastering for five years and would now like to operate kayak tours from Rock beach. They explained where the tours would go around the River Camel and how they would operate safely with CF/HJ saying that not many of the companies offer daily trips.

NB asked how many kayaks they have at present to which CF replied that they have 4 doubles and 2 singles but looked to increase in the future to about 20 kayaks. WD asked where they were operating from at the present to which CF replied from Dinham Farm.

NB said that Cornish Kayaking wish to move to the Dinghy Park at Rock, but there is no parking for vehicles on the beach or Dinghy Park. JH said that there was a limit to how many people can operate on the river. DM noticed that there was only one name on the insurance to which CF said that it was a limited company so they would look into getting it changed. The Commissioners then thanked Mr Faragher and Mr Jarvis for their presentation and would discuss this proposal later and get back to them.

**Invoices and
Payments for the
period ending 7th
August 2018**

Payments since the previous meeting in June 2018 to August totalled £308,987.39. The Commissioners read through the list of payments prepared by Mrs N Dyer.

DM asked if the Fishermen Store holders had been invoiced for the disposal of the freezers – NB said that he didn't know who they belonged to as they had accumulated over a long period of time but now they had been disposed of it would be easier to keep a check on any appearing in the future.

GS enquired about the two invoices from M&P and if they were both for the new Mariners Clock Building asking for a breakdown of the invoices for the next meeting.

PO asked what the land search fee was for. NB thought it was for some land in Padstow that could be used for storing equipment on but would check.

WD/AH asked about the professional fees for the RQCP extension. There was then a discussion on the proposed extension and whether it would now go ahead with the extra costs that have occurred over the period of time this has been ongoing.

**Approval of
Minutes 06/18**

DM proposed that the minutes circulated were a true reflection of the meeting and JH seconded.

**Matters Arising
from Meeting
06/18**

The Wadebridge Pontoon – this was now back in the water but PHC are still waiting to replace the damaged float once it arrives.

Polzeath Marine Conservation Group – the water refill station was now in place and operating.

Mr Peter Tamblin – the cricket match on the town bar was going ahead on Sunday 19th August at around 2.30 pm.

Teignmouth Marine Services – the contract had been signed and the work to put panels along the side of the ferry slipway will start at the end of the season.

Versadock – still waiting for a wedge-shaped piece of pontoon to be fabricated and fitted to complete the installation.

GS asked about the CCTV in Wadebridge – NB said that a 2 metre mast has to be erected to place the cameras on – this was ongoing.

Financial Briefing The Commissioners read the financial report from Mrs N Dyer

Harbour Income – this was on target for July.

Harbour Costs – the variance was attributed to the Versadock, wireless link for Wi-Fi and replacement barrier arm.

Ferry Income - this was marginally up for July and on target for the 7 months.

Ferry Costs - no significant expenditure for July.

Car Park Income - this was on target for July and for the 7 months to the end of July is down by 4%

Correspondence Mr P Prideaux-Brune - writes to confirm that Nick Billing is to stand in as The Lord of the Manor's representative after the sudden sad loss of Rob Atkinson until a new Harbour Master is appointed.

Polzeath Marine Conservation Group – write to ask for a sign at Rock on the Beachmaster's hut to advertise the water refill station. NB showed the two designs to the Commissioners. The Commissioners all agreed on the 40 x 60cm sign.

Mr Alex Rose, John Bray – writes regarding the storage of kayaks at Porthilly Beach. The landowner wants the kayaks removed as this is private foreshore and this has also been reported to the Police. NB passed around the photos of the kayaks on the foreshore and the Commissioners will discuss this in committee along with the proposal received this evening as these photographs are of their kayaks.

Pamela Solley – writes regarding the annual surf competition at Polzeath and the use of jet skis as safety craft. NB read his reply to Ms Solley regarding this event stating that the RNLI use an inflatable rescue boat and that it would be preferable if Ms Solley could use the same type of craft to avoid any conflict with the RNLI as jet skis are not permitted in the River Camel.

Padstow Tourist Information Centre – write regarding the progress of the Mariners Clock Building and ask if they can have a site visit. Completion is September as an extension had been granted due to the different specification of the roof slates.

Mr Andy Cameron, Wavehunters – writes to the Commissioners regarding the reinstating of his Boatman's licence. After a short discussion it was agreed that the new Harbour Master should be included in this matter and decided that this will be reviewed next year on 1st April 2019 – NB to inform.

**Port
Administrators
Business**

Mannin - The annual load line survey had been carried out with only a couple of minor defects to rectify but both of the lower rudder pintels had broken off so this had to be repaired by Tom's Boatyard.

BT II Ferry – One of the engines had dropped a valve which subsequently damaged the piston and cylinder head putting the ferry out of service since 30th July. The engine has now been re-installed so she will be back in service for the weekend. BT II is due for new engines this year and PHC are looking to replace the existing engines with Volvo as the Perkins engines we use have been discontinued - quotes in committee.

Vanstones – They have completed the concrete slab pad by DGW Sand.

Mariners Clock Building – The windows have now been fitted and walls have been skimmed.

Rock Activity Centre – The sewerage pumps at the centre are to be replaced as one has completely broken down and the other one is failing. Amos pumps should be fitting them next week. Clearflow have been called in to empty the tank to prevent overflowing.

The Appleby – This has been sold and is now on the Padstow Boatyard slip undergoing repairs

PMSC

A small rib caught a rope in its propeller off Pentire Head. The crew had called for assistance on ch12 instead of ch16 with no response so had released a flare to attract attention as the Jubilee Queen was passing by so she towed them back into the estuary.

On 26th July a car had run away from outside the Harbour Inn hitting a family who were fishing on the edge of the harbour and one of our electric bollards. Luckily no one was injured and the car was stopped before going over the quayside.

**Items for
Discussion**

None at this meeting

**Date of Next
Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 20th September 2018 at 7.00 pm in the Padstow Harbour Office.

The meeting voted to go In Committee. Proposed by GS and seconded by DM.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.25 hours.