

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 04 Mar 2020  
COMMENCING AT 1830hrs**

**Present:** J Addison Chairman  
J Thomas Harbour Master  
I Finch  
N Taylor  
F Brown  
A Scott  
A Thomas  
P Hatswell  
D Nicholson

**4111 Apologies**

Nil

**4112 Minutes of Meetings held on 4 Dec 2019**

It was agreed these were a true record.

Proposed: A Thomas Seconded: I Finch

**4113 Matters arising from those minutes**

N/A

**4114 HM Report**

**Shipping**

4 x Ships; 2 x Scrap, 2 x Cement

**Marketing**

**1988** likes Harbour FB (108 since Feb), **1883** Likes Foot Ferry FB (5 since Feb).

The Harbour Video: You Tube 994 views up 87 since Feb.

Video channel is set up and will be filled with content when weather improves.

Coastal Guide – The Harbour has been invited to submit some editorial in the next annual guide.

**Vessels**

Ongoing remediation for the season.

**PMSC**

CCTV has now been fitted which is a step change improvement.

Fire Extinguisher Servicing completed Tue 3 Mar.

Trinity House Meeting 9 Mar.

New pilot sourced working for the PLA.

**Dredging**

Ongoing USAR work to be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> Mar.

We will host Thames Dredging Group in May.

**Purelake**

Showers should be open next week, when we have put stickers up, need 10°C outside temp to do so.

**Environment**

Ferry landing Beach Cleans scheduled 29 Mar 20. Many cigarette butts were discovered at the recent BSC beach clean.

Crabbing initiative agreed with BTC, it will be more environmentally friendly.

Working with Richard Hayward/Essex University on Oyster Spatting Project.

**Maintenance**

Pile Blackening, Fisherman's pontoon to have pile tops.

All pressure washing complete.

Final Planking replacement in process. Suggestion made that the harbour consider Plastic lattice or Composite plastic planks for the pontoons in the future..

**Staff**

Open Evening went well and had a good response.

**Training**

Newly-engaged Pilot carrying out his PEC trips. Another member of team passed RYA L2

Next Staff Training Day: 7<sup>th</sup> March by invitation

**Stakeholders Meeting**

16<sup>th</sup> Mar – Commercial

17<sup>th</sup> Mar – Leisure, both at University & Community Sailing Club

**Fireworks**

Commissioners agreed £500 for regatta fireworks.

**Season Start**

Sat 4<sup>th</sup> April

**TDC Licencing**

5 man team working closely with the Harbour

**Lymington HM visit**

23<sup>rd</sup> April 2020 programme to be confirmed.

**4115 The Budget**

The **HM** answered a number of questions on the Budget for FY 20/21 following a comparison of the current year. The Commissioners approved the budget.

**4116 Solar Pontoon**

**AS** gave a presentation of the situation so far regarding the Solar pontoon. Commissioners were broadly content with the proposal but did have concerns over the timelines and its location. It was agreed that a presentation to stakeholders on the 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> March 2020 should be the next step.

**4117 Strategic Direction**

The Chairman gave a summary of the changes the Harbour had experienced over the last few years, many of the previous issues such as asset management, Capital replacement, USAR, compliance had now been addressed. It was time to focus longer term. There were difficult issues to consider, eg. Environmental policy regarding the posts, sewerage and anti-fouling, the River Colne and our relationship with CBC ... The role of commissioners should therefore be focused on these issues. There were some views shared by commissioners which needed more exploration, it was therefore decided that a planning day, be set in May 2020, with individual presentations. And time for discussion.

**4118 Matters raised by Members**

**NT** presented each commissioner with a copy of 'the Native' to show where the **HM's** monthly narrative was published.

**FB** expressed concern at the vehicles failure to stop at the faded stop line in the shipyard, **HM** said he would get in touch with Shipyard estate and see what could be done. She also extended an invitation to the board for an opening of the BSC's new start hut on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

**DN** asked if we would still make a contribution to the CYC shower facility now we have our own, the **HM** stated that we would, but not at the rate of previous years. He also asked if we knew when the power to the leading lights would be restored. **HM** stated he was pursuing the issue but as the supply wasn't owned by the harbour, we were reliant on **BTC**. **HM** gave a summary of the guidance which had been provided to him by the Traffic police in a meeting last month regarding the use of tractors and trailers. There is no special dispensation for the carriage of yachts with trailers that fail to meet the regulatory requirements. Those carrying yachts must be aware that the vehicle driver, regardless of who owns the yacht, trailer or vehicle, is responsible for the carriage. If an accident were to occur involving a member of the public, the traffic police would investigate and if the carrying arrangement failed to comply with current regulation the driver would be prosecuted.

**Wednesday, 1<sup>th</sup> April 2020 at 1830hrs.**

Next Meeting  
Meeting closed

**2100hrs**

