MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 1 Dec 2021 COMMENCING AT 1830hrs

Present: J Addison Chairman

J Thomas Harbour Master

D Nicholson N Taylor A Scott P Hatswell F Brown I Finch

5140 Apologies

N/A

5141 Minutes of Meetings held on 1st Sep 2021.

Proposed; N Taylor, Seconded; A Scott.

5142 Matters arising from those minutes

None

5143 HM Report

Shipping

3 x Ships; 2 x Cement, 1 x Scrap

3 x by 15th Dec

Commercial

2 x Windfarm boats to 6th /9th Dec, one will return in January.

MV Anneke in harbour 10 days on a break from the works at Harwich and Mersea.

Marketing

3007 likes Harbour FB (21 since Nov), 3038 Likes Foot Ferry FB (1 since Nov).

The Harbour Videos:

Harbour Entry **508** views up 29 since Nov.

Foot Ferry Video 2113 up 51 in Nov.

Harbour Instagram 1100.

Foot Ferry Instagram 847.

Twitter 577 followers up 4 since Nov.

Marketing Meeting Town Council

Brightlingsea Harbour App in Progress.

Generic Map

Branding

Signs up around town

Vessels

Colne Ranger out suspected Head Gasket. Cost review.

Staff

3 x Kickstart applications approved.

Apprentice process on track.

Port Marine Safety Code

Oil Spill Response desktop Exercise complete.

Security tabletop Exercise carried out at wharf.

Security cameras added to wreck house yard.

Bathing water analysis was requested at the stakeholder meeting, now on our website.

Maintenance

Marina Planking complete.

Marina Pressure wash complete.

Mooring inspections and repair.

Workshop refurbishment ongoing.

Engine servicing ongoing.

Training

1 x Day Skipper Theory

1 x Navigation Training

Operations

Christmas tree festival entry completed.

Christmas decorations outside buildings.

St Osyth Council meeting regarding Jet skis next week.

Town Council

Jubilee Celebration 3rd June, **HM** provided an update.

Pilot boat

Deputy HM to visit 10th Dec.

Visitors

2948 to date, should exceed 3000 by March 22.

2017 numbers were 2370.

Dredging

Update provided on maintenance plan following bathymetric survey and outcome of tender for Marina dredge scheduled for February/March 2022.

Further discussion took place regarding the re-use of dredged material, with a commitment to enable this whenever possible.

5144 Pricing 2022

Referring to the September 2021 Consumer Price Index, Commissioners agreed to raise prices by 3.1% overall.

It was decided that a separate price list for Town Council Harbour assets would be published.

5145 Brightlingsea Town Council (BTC)

Concern was expressed that the Boat park increase of 50% would be perceived as a decision by the Harbour Commissioners. It was agreed that a narrative must be produced by BTC explaining the reasons for the increase and how this would influence their future plans.

5146 Property

A discussion by members on the principles of property purchase took place and how the value to the Harbour may differ from the value published or advertised.

5147 Matters raised by Members

IF Updated Commissioners on Gig racing at the weekend.

FB Invited commissioners to 'carols on the beach' at Brightlingsea Sailing Club, 19th Dec at 1300hrs.

Next Meeting; 18.30 Wednesday, 12 January 2022

Venue: Conference Room

Meeting closed 2145hrs

(Original Signed 12.01.22)