

**MEETING OF THE PADSTOW HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS 03/17**

**HELD AT THE PADSTOW HARBOUR OFFICE**

**ON THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2017 AT 7.00PM**

**Present:** Mr D Martin, Mr C Toogood, Mr G Saunders, Capt R Atkinson, Mr S Summers, Mr W Chown, Mr M England, Mr M Stacey, Mr B Murt

**Apologies:** Mr W Jago

**In Attendance:** Mrs P Hicks (secretary), Mr D Lockwood, Mr P O'Neill

**To Take Information and Comments from Any Members of the Public Present:** None at this meeting

**Invoices and Payments for the period ending 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017** From 11th February 2017 to 10th March 2017 invoices to the amount of £116,532.12 had been paid

DM commented on Padstow Plumbing invoice for Rock toilets and asked if they had been vandalised again - HM said not this time but there had been a water leak caused by header tanks which had rotted through causing water to seep down the walls. The ancient system with header tanks etc had been removed and a new system working off the mains pressure installed.

DM asked about AM Services, HM explained that this was for the extra projects including the new backup system. HM also said that the new webcam and CCTV installation was in progress and that three of the PTZ analogue cameras from the old system will be re-utilized at Rock.

DM enquired about the crane purchased - HM said that he would cover this in Port Administrators Business.

CT asked about the amount to Ricoh UK, HM said that it was the quarterly running cost for the photocopier and the toner and maintenance was included in the cost.

**Approval of Minutes**  
**02/17**

The minutes were approved by SS and seconded by MS.

**Matters Arising**  
**from Meeting**  
**02/17**

Red Bull Storm Chase - HM had received an email to say that this event would not be going ahead this year.

Mr J Stephens, SPS - with regard to the South Quay toilets. SPS had applied for the change of use and submitted plans to Cornwall Council on PHC's behalf. The Deed of Release had been received from Cornwall Council, this needed to be signed at this meeting and returned.

AS Parking - HM had advised Mr K McManus that the Commissioners did not want to go ahead with the day time patrols at Rock.

Mr K Derry, Gynn Construction - letter in correspondence.

**Financial Briefing**

There was no budget report as PHC were waiting for opening balances from the accountants.

Max Spence (Bennett Jones Accountants) had drawn up a draft copy of the annual accounts for 2016. HM passed round copies to the Commissioners with notes from ND and informed that Max Spence will attend that next meeting to answer any question from the Commissioners.

BM commented that the 90+ aged debtors were looking good.

HM informed the Commissioners that he had invoiced some of the fishermen for disposal of waste net because there had been a problem with net that couldn't be recycled as the nets were not cleaned. DHM had ordered a roro skip to take away the net which had then gone to land fill - a method of disposal which is very costly. HM had sent a memo to the netters reminding them that waste net disposal is free to them (and a small cost to the harbour) if the net is cleaned out properly before being put in the waste net pounds. BM suggested talking to all the fishermen about this problem. HM said that PHC staff keep a log and that sadly, it appeared 24hr CCTV on the waste net pounds might be needed.

**Correspondence**

Mr K Derry, Gynn Construction - HM and DM had been to a site meeting with Mr Derry regarding the site at cocklebar/ferryside. This letter covered the main points covered at this meeting regarding the work that might cause obstruction on Rock Road. HM read the letter from Mr Derry and his reply to

him. DM informed the Commissioners of the meeting and what Gynn Construction are planning at the site. Before Easter they are planning to dig out a layby that's big enough for a lorry to pull into and be 'off road'. Lorry's can then be loaded with little impact on road traffic and also a "banksman" will be on duty when large vehicles and heavy plant need to access the site.

Mr D Breakspear, Sharp's Brewery - writes to the Commissioners regarding their "cycle to work scheme". HM read the letter asking the Commissioners if their workers that take up the scheme could have discounted ferry travel. HM said that the workers' pay a weekly charge and because they travel early mornings and evening, cycles aren't normally a problem. The Commissioners agreed as long as travel before 9.00am and after 5.00pm and week days only they will be charged the normal weekly workers fare with bikes going free.

Ms A Morden-Hawke, Ralph & Co - In Committee

Mr C Toogood, Camel Ski School - CT wanted to put a proposal to the Commissioners on having a seasonal pontoon by the water ski area. His aim is that customers could wait on the pontoon and the trainers from the ski school could observe the skiers and also provide refreshments. DM asked where it would be sited, CT said that it's fairly mobile so where ever the Commissioners would like it to be situated.

HM said that it might prove to be a navigational problem so would need lights and to be charted. HM also felt it could attract other boats into the ski area for refreshments and as they moored alongside they might cause problems. HM suggested perhaps over by Tim Marshall's mussel beds. CT felt that if in this area they wouldn't be able to see what was going on in the ski area, if in the Tregonce area they could observe more and be able to flag people down if problems arise. The Commissioners discussed the idea of the pontoon and thought it might help with the safety in the Ski Area.

CT left the room while the other Commissioners made a proposal and voted.

It was proposed by SS and seconded by BM that the Commissioners, in principle, are in favour of the pontoon however it will need to be sited to the HM's approval and all Health & Safety issues will need to be addressed.

All Commissioners voted and unanimously in favour of the pontoon.

MS was asked if this pontoon would impact on the racing that the RSWSC hold – he said that it would not.

CT returned to the room and DM explained to him the conditions and that a licence would be issued.

DM/HM said that both Camel Ski School and RSWSC should be treated the same and that there should be a licence for their pontoons also.

## **Port Administrators Business**

UKHMA Edinburgh Seminar - HM, GS and DM attending

BT I Ferry - MCA had completed the out of water inspection and found nothing untoward. A solution to the jets had been found so work was progressing but the work will go above the estimated figure.

Mannin - She was now in Teignmouth, and would then go on to Ramsgate, Whitstable then back to Ramsgate and Teignmouth. NB & Richard Jay had been to look at replacement Priestman Cranes, two of the three were not up to much but the third one was recommended to PHC by Mick Archer (who specialises in Priestman Cranes). Although just above the normal spending limit, HM had made the decision to purchase this crane immediately before it was sold elsewhere – so now informing the meeting, although the Commissioners had previously agreed to the crane replacement.

BM asked what was wrong with the one that was on the Mannin, HM said that it was 'tired' and that the replacement had done less hours and was in better condition, plus the old one can be used for spares.

Report on the Harbour Walls - HM asked the Commissioners if they had read the report. HM had a visit from JGP who said that even though the report sounds bad the walls aren't in a 'critical' state. PHC staff have been completing minimal pointing in the places highlighted by the report. HM had spoken to the EA regarding grants but had been told that EA authority ends at the tidal gate, however they suggested contacting the Highways Agency as they are responsible of maintaining structures supporting roads - HM to look into this.

RingGo – This mobile phone car parking app has gone live in all PHC car parks and is proving popular - ND had done a report for the Commissioners.

**PMSC**

There had been an incident where two youths had been cut off by the tide at St Saviours Point last Sunday, Rock RNLI attended - HM had not been informed by the CG but the incident was in the round up report emailed across.

The Appleby had broken loose from the boatyard and ended up on Brea Hill but was towed back to its berth by PHC staff using the Mowgli on the next tide. HM had instructed boatyard to chain or wire fix the vessel to the quayside to prevent a recurrence.

The Berthing master had problems with children playing on a fishing boat on the inner quay pontoon and was met by "a lot of lip" from them. This incident was logged in the PHC Log book.

**Items for Discussion**

ME – Wavehunters Ferry Service - this had been advertised on their website contrary to PHC's permissions. This item has now been taken off the website and the owner of Wavehunters has informed HM that there is no ferry service operating.

**Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 7.00 pm in the Padstow Harbour Office.

There being no further business, the meeting went "In Committee"

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 20.44