

Hayle Harbour Act 1989

Hayle Harbour Advisory Committee

Wednesday, 8 April 2015, 2PM Passmore Edwards Institute, Hayle MINUTES

Minutes of the Hayle Harbour Advisory Committee Meeting held at the Passmore Edwards Institute on Wednesday, 8 April 2015.

PRESENT

Members

Cllr John Bennett (Chairman), Cllr Graham Coad (HTC), Mike Collier MCA-retired), Cllr John Coombe (Cornwall Council), David Flumm (RSPB), Lech Kwiatowski (HFA/HCBO), Vaughan Robbins (Natural England).

The meeting commenced at 2pm.

15-010 WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from:

Robb Lello (HHUA), Rob Jewell (Hayle Chamber of Commerce), Peter Ghey (HFA), Andrew Houghton (EA), Cllr John Pollard (CC).

15-011 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

There were no announcements

15-012 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 14 JANUARY 2015 AND MATTERS ARISING

The chairman apologised that, due to the loss of the meeting notes, no minutes were available.

Matters Arising: None.

15-013 HAYLE HARBOUR AUTHORITY LTD. - HARBOUR MASTER'S REPORT

The Harbour Master presented his report. Additional notes & comments:

Item 1. The EA and SWW reported that a sewage pump had been replaced. It was apparent that the sewage discharge problem was long-standing and might not have been corrected without the monitoring conducted by HHAL. Members were disconcerted.

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Item 3. ING is not responding to requests by the HM for action on the channel. HM expects that no action will occur until new owners are in place. HM would like to re-profile the Cockle Bank and increase its height. SOS is supportive and Natural England will be consulted.

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Item 4. The postponement was due to the lack of a generator to power the hydraulic system. SOS has committed £3k for the purchase of a generator, Gary Cartmell has offered £1k. ASDA's community outreach programme may also help.

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- Item 6. 40-50 moorings should be available which is expected to clear the waiting list and add income for the harbour.
- Item 9. ING has authorised the use of Lelant Quay for pay-and-display parking. Some tidying up of the site will occur to allow more parking spaces.

Additional points:

 Peter Ghey had submitted an email with comments on the channel and the commercial dues. The HM had mentioned the delay in funding to address the channel (Item 3 above). On the dues, the HM highlighted the annual loss of £20k experienced by the harbour and noted that Hayle does not have landing fees. This larger than usual increase was to catch up and all future increases will, it is hoped and expected, be tied to RPI.

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Robb Lello reported a dangerous situation with children playing close to the
estuary north of the fishermen's compound and opposite the end of the spit. The
sand bank there is very steep and slippery. The HM will look into providing a sign
warning of the dangers. There is also an issue of access for fisherman onto North
Quay which is currently blocked. The HM reported a safety issue and he will look
at the possible solutions.

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15-014 POLICE REPORT

No police were present. The HM mentioned that young people had been throwing stones onto vessels and a minor theft had occurred. The HM is reporting these issues to the police.

15-015 HAYLE HARBOUR OWNERSHIP UPDATE

The sale by ING of its entire Hayle Harbour estate to a new owner is in its final stages. The new owner is understood to be Corinthian Land Ltd and the HM has met their representative Simon Wright. A number of issues are on hold until the new owners are in place.

15-016 HAYLE FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION/HAYLE COMMERCIAL BOAT OWNERS

Lech Kwiatowski reiterated the channel issue and asked for urgent action. He also asked for the status of the pontoons. The HM advised that the grant for 75% of the cost was secured but that the 25% matching funds were not available. He will be putting this on the agenda for discussion with the new owners. There is a possibility of a short term loan.

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15-017 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. Wave Hub sent an email drawing attention to the possibility of initiating the world's largest offshore energy park. Copies of the newspaper article were circulated.
- 2. The chairman reported on the work of CH2Mhill in producing and updating Dune and Beach Management plans for Cornwall Councill. There is a plan for Harvey's Towans that was created in 2009 that no one present was aware of.

(Copy now on the hhac.org.uk web site). Members were encouraged to make comment directly to Alan Frampton, the project manager, at Alan.Frampton@ch2m.com.

ALL

15-018 Date of next meeting

8 July 2015

Subsequent meetings (2nd Wednesday, January, April, July & October):

14 October 2015, 13 January 2016 (AGM), 13 April 2016, 13 July 2016, 12 October 2016.

Attachments:

- 1. Harbour Master's Report
- 2. Cornwall Sand Dune and Beach Management Strategy Harvey's Towans 2009
- 3. Cornwall Dune and Beach Management Plans Site Visit Report April 2015
- 4. Press article on Offshore Energy Park: http://www.cornishman.co.uk/World-s-biggest-energy-park-built-Cornwall-coast/story-26247129-detail/story.html

Minutes: jb