

**BURNHAM OVERY HARBOUR TRUST
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Minutes of the Meeting
held at 7.00pm on 21st October 2016
at Burnham Overy Village Hall**

Peter Beck, David de Stacpole, David Horton-Fawkes (Chairman), Jonnie Usher (Treasurer), Tim Gatti, Kev Gathercole, Richard Warner, Chris Henson, John Lumley, Andrew Green, Pam Thompson, Peter Connor

Guest: Jane Heasman (minutes)

Apologies: Tom Leicester, David Hart, Peter Low (Secretary), Simon Raven, Sarah Henderson

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting

1.1 Minutes from the meeting held on 8th July 2016 were approved.

2. Matters Arising

2.1 Notice Board: no progress has been made and it was agreed that this should wait until the discussions with the Common Rights Holders have been concluded as this could involve an amendment to the name of the Trust

2.2 Mooring Identification: Michael Smith's post meeting points (included in the minutes) were noted and as above agreed this would wait.

2.3 Mud Dock: JL has been working on this and will put current proposals together in a document to be circulated to all BOHT members before the next meeting, Friday 3rd February 2017, this will be an agenda item for discussion.

3. Harbour Management/Meeting with CRH

3.1 Three of the four trustees, the Chairman and the Secretary met on 22nd August 2016 with Michael Smith (MS) and four Common Rights Holders to discuss how the two bodies could work together to manage the Harbour as described in the previous minutes.

3.2 DHF explained that the Trustees are minded to try to address the concerns to the Common Rights Holders so as to ensure their rights are acknowledged and reflected in the BOHT Constitution.

- 3.3 DHF explained that the Trustees are minded to draw up a new constitution rather than amend the existing one because this would clearly demonstrate that both bodies are committed to a new start.
- 3.4 A new constitution is being drafted and this will be seen by current committee members and a legal adviser before being finalised. DHF aims to have a final draft agreed by the AGM on 14th April 2017.
- 3.5 It was agreed that if the Trust and the Common Rights Holders are able to reach an agreement on a joint constitution then there would be a Sub Committee formed, which would be responsible for managing the moorings.

4. Unlicensed Boats and Moorings

- 4.1 PT outlined a complaint that Sarah Raven, Overy Parish Councillor, was dealing with: a boat has been left on the grass verge opposite Watch House. Another committee member identified the owner and PT will make contact with her before the council removes the dinghy. Several other boats have temporarily been moved to the grass verge but only to avoid the recent high tides; these are not considered a nuisance.
- 4.2 It was discussed that there are a growing number of abandoned - looking dinghys on the north bank. The committee agreed that notices asking "for the boats to either be moved or a licence bought within 3 months after which time the boat will be removed and destroyed". JH to produce numbered notices and TG, JL and RW to attach to appropriate boats, take photos and these will be added to the BOHT website for the 3 months.
- 4.3 Ed Hardings's blue rib has been moored north of Dead Man's Hole. TG to see if he has contact details for Mr Hardings.
- 4.4 Andy Turner says there is a second mooring numbered 116, JH to speak to PL.

5. Reports

- 5.1 JU circulated 2 papers showing the current financial position. Noted that in 2016 there has been an 80% increase in income from license sales, mainly due to increase in cost. Nearly 50% of all licences sold are from the Boathouse and TG was thanked for this.
- 5.2 It was agreed that next year's license costs would be reviewed plus the committee spending principles at the next meeting scheduled for 3rd February 2017.

5.3 If any committee member has a request for a large expenditure please circulate a note to all before a scheduled meeting and this will be voted on at the meeting.

5.4 Agreed (proposed KG, seconded JL) to spend £1,200 on a replacement red buoy – CH.

6. Any Other Business

6.1 KG asked if the maintenance of the cockle path is a matter for BOHT. It was thought not but DHF will ask SH if this is something Holkham would cover. SH to liaise with PB.

Meeting finished at 20.20

Next meetings:

Friday 3rd February 2017

AGM Friday 14th April 2017