

NEWLYN PIER AND HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS (NPHC)

MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS HELD AT 5.00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY 9 JULY 2014 IN THE BOARD ROOM, NEWLYN HARBOUR

In attendance: Rob Wing (Vice - Chairman) (RW) In the Chair

Gilbert McCabe (Chairman) (GMcC)
 Harry Blakeley (HB)
 Kevin Bennetts (KB)
 Jim McKenna (JMck) – arrived at 5.15.p.m.
 Rob Parsons (RP)
 David Stevens (DS)
 Elizabeth Stevenson (ES)

Also in attendance: Elaine Baker, Commission Administrator (EB)

Other Attendees: Ruth Simpson – Local Resident
 Scott Hamilton – Reporter, The Cornishman

	<u>PART A PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
	Scott Hamilton, reporter, The Cornishman introduced himself to the Board.	
	<u>PART B – MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS</u>	
NPHC 01	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> Apologies for absence were received from Mike Collier, Paul Corin and Rob Salvidge.	
NPHC 02	<u>Declarations of Interest</u> KB declared a personal interest in any items on the agenda as a businessman on the harbour and as Chairman of the Newlyn Fish Festival Committee. DS declared a personal interest in any items on the agenda in connection with the harbour as the owner of a boat using the harbour and as a businessman on the harbour. RP declared a personal interest in any items on the agenda relating to staffing matters as an employee of NPHC.	

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<p>NPHC 02 cont.</p>	<p>ES declared a personal interest in any items on the agenda which referred to W Stevenson & Sons Ltd in connection with the harbour, as a tenant of harbour property, as an agent operating on the fish market and as a family boat owner using the pontoons and harbour facilities and tenant of harbour property.</p> <p>RW declared a personal interest in any items on the agenda in connection with the harbour as a fish merchant operating on the market.</p>	<p>EB</p>
<p>NPHC 03</p>	<p><u>Minutes</u></p> <p><u>RESOLVED:</u> That the public (Part 1) minutes of the meeting held on 7 May 2014, including the summary of matters considered in Part 2, be approved and signed by the Vice-Chairman.</p>	<p>EB</p>
<p>NPHC 04</p>	<p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <p>On minute no. NPHC 85 (2) (Re-appointment of Commissioners), ES sought clarification on the appointment process. EB explained that delegated authority had been approved as an exception due the lack of eligible voting members at the meeting to expedite the appointment before the expiry of the term of office and to avoid the filling of a further casual vacancy on the Board.</p>	
<p>NPHC 05</p>	<p><u>Advisory Body – Appointment of New Members</u></p> <p>The Vice-Chairman reported that an informal meeting of those individuals who had expressed an interest in becoming members of the Advisory Body (AB) had been held on 1 July attended by RW, RP and EB.</p> <p>A very productive meeting had been held where the future vision of the harbour had been outlined. The first meeting of the AB was to be held in September / October to be chaired by NPHC following which the AB would meet in the months between Board meetings to improve the flow of communication between the two bodies. Formal appointment of the new members would be undertaken in the confidential part of the meeting as part of the Harbour Master's report.</p>	<p>EB</p>
<p>NPHC 06</p>	<p><u>Harbour Master's (Part 1) Report</u></p> <p>The Harbour Master presented his Part 1 report of executive matters since the last meeting (copy appended to the signed minutes).</p> <p>RP gave an update on the current position regarding the delay in the disposal of the Wayfarer which was due to Environment Agency procedures. It was suggested that delays could have been reduced if the harbour obtained a disposal licence. RP <u>AGREED</u> to investigate the possibility of a licence for the harbour and to report back to a future meeting.</p>	<p>RP</p>

<p>NPHC 06 cont.</p>	<p>RP reported that the new ice plant had begun to produce ice and would be fully operational by the end of the month at which stage the old ice plant would be de-commissioned.</p> <p>The Board was advised that the funding application for the electrical upgrade had been successful and that contract had been awarded to Davy & Gilbert.</p> <p>RP also reported that Paul Anthony Oliver had been appointed as the new Deputy Harbour Master.</p> <p>RP also gave an update on the new Harbour Directions. Unfortunately, it was unlikely that they would receive Department for Transport approval during the current round due to the lack of formal mechanisms for public consultation. However, this issue was currently being addressed and RP was confident that with the re-establishment of the Advisory Body and the proposed formation of a new Newlyn Harbour Users' Association the issue would be resolved and that the Harbour Directions would receive approval during the second tranche of applications.</p>	
<p>NPHC 07</p>	<p><u>Exclusion of the Press and Public</u></p> <p>The meeting <u>RESOLVED</u> to exclude the press and public at this point in the proceedings as matters of a confidential and personal nature were to be discussed.</p>	

SUMMARY OF MATTERS CONSIDERED IN THE CONFIDENTIAL PART OF THE AGENDA OF THE MEETING OF THE NEWLYN PIER & HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 9 JULY 2014

1. Minutes (Part 2) of the Meeting held on 7 May 2014

The minutes were approved by the Board.

2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

3. Harbour Master's Part 2 Report

The Board received the monthly report on confidential executive matters since the last meeting, which included finance, property, harbour operations and staffing matters, including resolutions in respect of debt recovery, introduction of internet banking, property consultants, Health & Safety Executive matters, property rents, RNLI, Penlee Gig Club, staffing matters and the appointment of new members to the Advisory Body.

4. Chairman's Business

The Vice-Chairman reported on discussions with Cornwall Council and future development proposals for the harbour in the context of the Cornish and regional fishing industry.

5. Any Other Business

Issues discussed included the operation of boat charters within the harbour and car parking at Sandy Cove.

The meeting closed at 7.30 p.m.

Chairman

3 September 2014