



# Newlyn Pier & Harbour Commissioners

## Minutes Part 1

**Meeting Title:** Commissioners Ordinary meeting

**Date:** 21 April 2021

**Time:** 0800

**Location:** Microsoft Teams

**Chaired by:** Robert Clifford-Wing

**Attendees:** Robert Clifford-Wing (RW), Kevin Bennetts (KB), Sam Winters (SW), Robert George (RG), Anthony Hoskin (AH), Abbie Smith (AS), Paul Corin (PC), Jim McKenna (JM), James Roberts (JR), Gus Lewis (GL), Robert Parsons (RP, HM)

**Apologies:** Mike Warner (MW)

## Minutes

### 1. Welcome and Apologies

- Apologies received as noted above

### 2. Declaration of Interest

- AH declared an interest in any item on the agenda as an active sea going fisherman and boat owner operating within Newlyn Harbour.
- RP Declared an interest in any item on the agenda relating to staffing matters as an employee and as a leisure boat owner moored in Newlyn Harbour
- RW declared an interest in any items on the agenda in connection with fish buying as a Fish Merchant and as a trustee of the national Lobster Hatchery

### 3. Minutes of the last Meeting

- **Resolved** the part 1 minutes of the of the meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

### 4. Matters Arising not covered on the Agenda

- There were no matters arising



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## 5. PMSC Duty Holder Update

- RP reminded all Commissioners that they are all individually and collectively responsible under the code.
- RP informed the board that the pre dredge survey was soon to commence and dredging was set to commence in June through to July 2021
- RW asked the Harbour Master about targeted areas for dredging and were there any concerns navigationally, RP informed the board on the present plan for dredging and the survey report will be published once received.

## 6. Operations

- RP informed the board on the present situation with recent changes to the lorry Park and the interaction between the Commissioners and the Office of the Traffic Commissioner.
- RP presented the commissioners on the recent state of fish landings and the covid recovery that was being seen. Months of January and February were presented, and the board was encouraged to see the landing quantity and price fetched.
- RP informed the board on the present situation in relation to the water network and the installation requirement for an updated filtration system in addition to the Chlorination plant. The HM reminded the board that the harbour had been on South West Water since December and the recent clarification on a quote had been received. **Resolved** to allow the HM to install the filtration plant at the agreed price set with the agreed maintenance budget.
- The HM updated the board as to the situation and delays in the commissioning of the Fuel Tank. RP requested that clarification be finalised in relation to the operation of the tank. RW highlighted the options for the future of the tank and opened up for comments. JR raised that the tank needs to get operating and passed to the auctioneers when ready. SW supported JR but highlighted that as long as it is run correctly, transparently and with trust then the operation of the tank is negligible. RW supported the mandate on transparency and therefore as long as the margins were agreed, and the agreement protected the end user then it would show an element of control and oversight. RW, KB and RP to liaise with the auctioneers to progress this.
- RP updated the board on manning levels post Covid and the intention for recruitment.



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## 7. Part 1 Closure

- Resolved to close part 1 of the meeting as further matters of a confidential nature were to be discussed.

### **SUMMARY OF MATTERS CONSIDERED IN THE CONFIDENTIAL PART OF THE AGENDA IN RELATION TO THE MEETING HELD BY THE COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2021**

#### 1. Minutes

The minutes (Part 2) of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

#### 2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

#### 3. Confidential Operational Update

The Board were briefed on all operations of a confidential nature in relation to manning, contract negotiations and personnel issues not for publication on the public domain

#### 4. Chairman's Business

#### 5. AOB

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Chairman





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## Minutes Part 2

### 1. Minutes of Last meeting Part 2

- **Resolved** the part 2 minutes of the of the meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

### 2. Matters Arising

- There were no matters arising

### 3. Auctioneers Update

- RP informed the board on recent issues raised in relation to the Clock auction system. RP shared the planned meeting with Ocean Fish Group Managing Director Leigh Genge to resolve the issues. The board considered the required road map for the auctioneers and full take over of the market operation and the planned meeting.
- JR raised that fishermen had concerns over the impact that this is having on the fisherman and simple function of landing by way of scales, pallet trucks etc
- JM supported the strong stance that this needs to be rectified and is fully behind the planned discussions with the auctioneer.
- GL advised that despite the Commissioners waiting to see if the auctioneers will deliver the Commission must be prepared to set clear deadlines.

### 4. Chairman's Business

- RW reiterated the need for a fresh set of accountants and that the Commissioners will be looking for alternative accountants and auditors.

### 5. AOB

- SW asked for an update on Andrew Munson's health.
- RG updated the board on Andrew's condition and that despite the circumstances was in particularly good spirits.
- JR raised the question on the potential to turn the Harbour Car Park into harbour users only.
- RW advised the board on clear understanding on cost and revenue reduction and fully understanding of that.
- JM raised the concern over a move to make the car park fully harbour users and how this would impact on the residents of Newlyn. The issue around



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parking and levels of traffic is always contentious and despite being in support of the idea, but clear alternatives need to be highlighted.

- JM raised the potential use of the coombe but that needs clear understanding and the potential use of the wherry town car park, so it is clear there are opportunities.
- PC raised the concern on public access and the risks that the public pose in what is a commercial port.
- RW advised that our mandate is to capture all risks and ensure that they are ALARP. RW continued that this issue is large and a high priority which will need further discussion to ensure that all points are considered.
- The board collectively supported this move and put this as essential.
- RP raised a request for the demolition and allowance for Trelawney Fish to remove the old icehouse to be replaced by shipping containers.
- The Commission were in approval of allowing this to continue subject to covenants in terms of keeping the road clear.

## 6. Date of Next Meeting

- TTBC

*H Clifford-Wing*  
*9th June 2021.*

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