

Meeting Minutes - 05/10/22

1. Welcome & Apologies

Chair opened the meeting at 9am

Meeting attendees - RW, KB, JP, GL, AS, AH, JR, PCh, GA, PP

Guests in attendance on behalf of the Advisory Board - PD, NH

Apologies sent by NB, RG, SW and TM (guest)

2. Declarations of Interest

No Declarations made

3. Minutes of the last meeting - Part 1

A small grammatical error was highlighted for amendment. No further comments.

4. Harbour Update / risk report

JP shared the monthly Health and Safety report. Concerns were raised over a potential case of subsidence on the North Quay, the situation will be monitored. The water hydrants will be informally looked at by WSP. Health and Safety manuals are in progress and should be available to share at the next commissioners meeting.

Two port marine safety issues were raised. One relating to a grounding in the harbour, no damage or pollution reported. This was a tidal issue, not a dredging problem. The second safety issue related to the correct use of a man cage and safety equipment. The matter has been addressed.

Discussions took place regarding the need for a lighting upgrade around the harbour, particularly along the MW Pier.

JP advised that the current forklifts are nearing the end of their useful life and urged the commissioners to consider the use of electric forklifts. Funding options were discussed with regards to the purchase of electric forklifts in place of leasing.

It has been noted that there is a need for repair work to some of the units along North Pier and potential plans to install pull up and seasonal moorings were discussed at length.

5. Penzance TC Expo

RW and JP will be putting together a display regarding the Resource Centre project. This will be presented to the public at the TC Expo.

NH added that the Neighbourhood Plans will be presented in Newlyn on 6th November. More Engagement is needed prior this date.





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6. AB Update - Landings Declaration Default valuation discussion

The proposal of a default value was discussed between AB members. All agreed there is a clear need for action. Questions were raised over how the default value would be decided. Conversations followed over the MMOs involvement, The Freedom of Information Act and the potential introduction of a signed declaration from vessels as part of the harbours T&Cs were debated. The commissioners agreed that the Schedule of charges need to reviewed and the default valuation will form part of this review.

7. WS&S Old Vessels update.

AS shared an update regarding the removal of the old vessels within the Harbour, all of which need to be deemed fit for removal by the MCA who have produced extensive action lists. WS&S are actively working to prepare the vessels. All fluid needs to be removed from the vessels before departure. Temporary storage on the Quay is being used to recycle the fuel. There has been no pollution to the harbour. Two vessels are due to leave in a week. A discussion took place regarding derelict vessels being used as stores/crew rooms. The removal of other wrecks within the Harbour was also discussed.

8. Sandy Cove Presentation (NH)

NH presented the board with the WSP Concept Engineering Study. Three plans were shared with the commissioners and an amendment was proposed to the second plan regarding an extension of the planned Breakwater.

A significant conversation took place over the plans and it was agreed that the three options would be put to WSP. The commissioners will schedule a focused meeting with Councillor Louis Gardner at a later date.

PP advised of particular parties that could be useful to liaise with (Louis Gardner) and PCh supported the involvement of cabinet members. It was agreed that a small team comprising RW,PCh,PP and Jp should represent the Commissioners at the meeting with councillor Gardner and that a preparatory meeting of that team should also be arranged.

The chair closed part one of the meeting – PD and NH left the meeting.

Chairman