Meeting Minutes - 03/11/2023 - Part 1

1. Welcome & Apologies

Chair opened the meeting at 9am

Meeting attendees – RW AH PD JP PCH NH RG SW NDR AS JR NB GA

Apologies sent – PP

Guests in attendance – TM



2. Declarations of interest

No declarations made.

3. Minutes of the last meeting – Part 1

Minutes agreed to be true and accurate. It was confirmed that Harland & Wolff are not ready to present plans.

4. Harbour update/risk report (JP)

The Harbour update was shared with the commissioners, no major concerns raised. Discussions took place over the pontoon gate; it was concluded that a funding application will be submitted when the next round opens early next year.

A significant conversation took place over safety concerns relating to the new ladders. The project is currently on hold until fenders are replaced. Further discussions will be held over suitability of the ladders.

4. Harbour Boxes (HM)

Concerns were shared over availability of boxes; the auctioneer has ordered 2500 boxes. Conversations continued over operational issues and availability of market resources (pallet trucks and scales).

Service level agreements will be discussed in part 2.

An update was requested regarding the Market Concession. The Historic Rights have not been confirmed and all staff affected by TUPE have been consulted, awaiting one staff members response. Ashford's have been asked to prepare correspondence requesting a date within 6-8 weeks to sign the document. Potential plan B ideas were shared.

5. AB Update

The AB shared their support for the new strategic plan and installation of bollards.

Concerns over the availability of ice were discussed, it was confirmed that the Ice plant are exploring funding options and solutions.

Issues relating to parking restrictions were shared and an extensive conversation took place over parking problems. It was concluded that the main harbour carpark will become a permit only carpark for fisherman and further meetings with relevant parties will be arranged.

Part 1 closed

Chairman