**In attendance:**

John Lambourn (JL) Chair

Tony Pearce (TP)

Simon Cadman (SC)

Nick Downing (NDo)

Nigel Davis (NDa)

Laurence Hartwell (LH)

(RA)

Tom McClure (TM)

Invited Commissioners in an advisory capacity:

Nick Howell (NH)

**1. Apologies** received from: Paul Durkin Sue Bosworth; Richard Adams; Jonathan Poynter: Peter Channon.

**2.** **Declarations of Interest:** As previous meetings.

**3. Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting on 20th October 2023, amended to include John Lambourn in attendance, were approved and signed by the Chair.

**4.****Matters arising:** To consider any matters arising from the minutes not elsewhere on the Agenda.

Paul Wickes (CMN) to be invited to the January meeting. JL to arrange.

**5. Update on Commissioners Meetings**

The Chairman’s (PD) report attached, was noted. NH provided further detail.

*Fish Market Auction*

It was anticipated agreement and signing would reached by Christmas. In parallel a Plan B was being drawn up if agreement could not be reached.

*Seafood Cornwall Training Resource Centre*

No update available.

*Harbour Parking*

A draft policy paper had been issued and placed on NPHC web site. AB’s feedback views/ input had been requested

*Harbour Operations/Maintenance Group*

A new Operations Group headed by Nathan de Rosario (NdeR) was liaising on operational issues.

There was a recognised need for a dedicated maintenance team to be established which could carry out a maintenance programme and urgent repairs.

*Harland & Wolff Ferry Service to Scillies from Newlyn*

To date the proposal had not been followed up by Harland & Wolff.

*Ice Plant*

A proposal to buy second hand ice plant to supplement the existing plant was in hand. A site adjacent to the existing plant was anticipated to be allocated for this.

*Harbour Strategic Planning*

NH updated on the work of the Strategy Group which was now considering its recommendations. He referred to the paper, recently recirculated, titled ‘Aspirations and Opinions collected by the AB; January to May 2020, on what improvements would like to be seen in Newlyn within the next 5 and 10 years‘. NPHC had agreed that the AB should reconfirm/review the original concepts.

*New members for the AB*

An advert to recruit new members to fill 3 anticipated vacancies on the AB had produced 5 applicants. Interviews would be held on 5th December 2023.

*Fishermans Rest*

Clarification on this matter was sought. To be raised with the Harbour Master.

*Neighbourhood Plan (Draft)*

The draft plan which had recently been received by NPHC referred to a number of matters which fell under NPHC’s domain. NPHC had not been consulted on these matters. The lack of consultation was being taken up with the Neighbourhood Planning process.

**6. Harbour Strategic Planning**

It was agreed members should follow up on the original concepts with stakeholders and dedicate a day before the end of January to meet and collate the results into an update/ review.

**7. Harbour Parking Policy Paper**

The members considered the proposed parking policy paper noting that it would be welcomed by some and likely objected to by others. It would introduce a fairer system of parking for harbour users but there would be a loss of revenue to NPHC and potential adverse economic effects on nearby local businesses.

A comment received by the AB stated that there would be concerns from business owners about the negative impact on them of reserving the carpark exclusively for fishermen. Also that changes should not be rushed in implementation so as to ensure that there were no harbour users needs overlooked.

In view of the sensitivity parking created in Newlyn, the AB unanimously recommended that the NPHC should, before implementing its proposal, carry out a full consultation with all stakeholders and others who would be affected.

**8. AOB**

*Feedback from the Operations and Maintenance Group*

In view of the frustrations expressed by harbour users that operation and maintenance matters referred to the harbour management for attention did not receive a response or any indication of being addressed it was agreed to recommend to NPHC that the Harbour Operations Maintenance Group should provide feedback on issues which had been referred to it.

The meeting ended at 4.45pm.

The next meeting will be held on Friday 15th December at 2.30pm.