

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING held at 2.00pm in Conference Room A,  
Portsmouth Civic Offices on Friday 19 February 2010

Present

Representing Portsmouth City Council

Councillors Lee Mason (Chairman)  
Hugh Mason  
Jackie Hancock (Deputising for Caroline Scott)  
Luke Stubbs

Representing Havant Borough Council

Councillors Victor Pierce-Jones (Vice-Chairman)  
June Hanan  
Virginia Wilson-Smith  
Jackie Branson

Representing Hampshire County Council

Councillor Frank Pearce

Representing the Advisory Committee

Mr Bob Russell OBE  
Mrs Helen Baldry

In attendance

Captain N Jardine, Harbour Manager  
Stephen Kerr, Clerk to the Board  
Chris Braby, Treasurer to the Board  
Lyall Cairns, Engineer to the Board

**54. Apologies and Chairman Welcome**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ken Smith. The Chairman welcomed all those present to the meeting.

**55. Members Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest from members.

**56. Minutes of the Board meeting held on 11 December 2009**

The minutes, as submitted, were considered  
(TAKE IN MINUTES)

**RESOLVED** that the Chairman sign the minutes as a true record of the meeting.

**57. Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

**58. Minutes of the Advisory Committee meeting held on 11 February 2010**

The minutes, as submitted, were considered  
(TAKE IN MINUTES)

Mr Russell summarised the minutes of the Advisory Committee, drawing member's attention to the following points;

- a) The Committee had requested a copy of the Board's submission to the Public Inquiry. The Clerk suggested that the Committee would be

better served with a copy of Counsel's closing speech. He will arrange for this to be provided.

- b) The Committee were pleased to note that the Marina operators were now liaising more closely with the Board to assist in the collection of harbour dues from berth holders.
- c) The Committee fully supported the Harbour Manager's efforts to control the use of hovercraft in the harbour.
- d) The Committee fully supported the Board's policy on the non-transference of private deep water mooring sites and did not wish exceptions to be made.

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Advisory Committee be **NOTED**

59. **Harbour Managers Report**

The Harbour Manager's report, as submitted, was considered  
(TAKE IN REPORT)

The Board discussed the various issues surrounding the positioning and condition of the unauthorised memorial cairn. The Board will continue to monitor the structure along with the City Council.

The Harbour Manager advised members that since writing his report, Mr Ben Aldred, one of the Board's Harbour Attendants had submitted his resignation and would be leaving on the 28<sup>th</sup> February. The position had been advertised with a view to filling the post before the start of the summer season.

Councillor Hugh Mason suggested that the Board publish a list of successful prosecutions in the local press and on notice boards etc.

**RESOLVED** that the report be **NOTED**

60. **Clerks Report**

The Clerk's report, as submitted, was considered  
(TAKE IN REPORT)

The Clerk gave members a brief resume of his report and updated members on the conclusion of the Public Inquiry. The Secretary of State's decision is not expected for some time.

**RESOLVED** that the report be **NOTED**

61. **Planning Sub Committee Decisions**

The report of the Planning Sub Committee decisions, as submitted, was considered

(TAKE IN REPORT)

**RESOLVED** that the report be **NOTED**

62. **Pilotage Report**

The Harbour Manager's report, as submitted, was considered

**RESOLVED** that the report be **NOTED**

63. **Income and Expenditure to the end of December 2009**

The Treasurer's report, as submitted, was considered  
(TAKE IN REPORT)

The Treasurer updated members on the Board's current financial position and drew attention to a couple of outstanding items of expenditure which he would report on at the next meeting.

**RESOLVED** that the report be **NOTED**.

64. **RSPB Report**

The report of the RSPB Warden, as submitted, was considered  
(TAKE IN REPORT)

The Harbour Manager advised members that he had offered the Board's assistance with a project being undertaken later this year to lay 10 tons of cockle shells on the foreshore of South Binness Island. The Chairman of the Advisory Committee queried the need for the RSPB to submit a report directly to the Board. The Board agreed unanimously that they would wish to continue to receive this report annually and thanked the Warden for providing it.

**RESOLVED** that the report be **NOTED**.

65. **Annual Report 2009**

The draft Annual Report, as submitted, was considered  
(TAKE IN REPORT)

The Harbour Manager sought the Board's approval to print and publish the 2009 Annual Report

**RESOLVED** that the Harbour Manager proceed with the printing and publication of the Annual Report for 2009.

66. **Complaint by Hovercraft Club of Great Britain (HCGB)**

The Harbour Manager's report, as submitted, was considered  
(TAKE IN REPORT)

The Board discussed the use of hovercraft in the harbour and expressed their support for the Harbour Manager in his efforts to limit the activity to operations concerned with necessary environmental monitoring in the Harbour.

**RESOLVED** that the report be **NOTED**.

67. **Any other business**

**Private Deep Water Moorings A16 & A42**

The Board considered a letter regarding the above moorings, which had been received after the Agenda had been circulated. The letter had been circulated to all members by e.mail along with previous correspondence from the Harbour Manager. The Board discussed the matter, taking into account previous decisions regarding the transfer of private deep water moorings.

**RESOLVED** that the Board adhere to its policy of non-transference of private deep water moorings and that moorings A16 & A42 should revert to board deep water moorings with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2010.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 3.15pm

Chairman