

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 1 May 2019
COMMENCING AT 1830hrs**

Present: J Addison Chairman
J Thomas Harbour Master
A Scott
A Thomas
N Taylor
D Nicholson
P Hatswell
I Finch

4036 Apologies

F Brown

4037 Minutes of Meetings held on 3 April 2019

It was agreed these were a true record.

Proposed: N Taylor; Seconded: A Scott

4038 Matters arising from those minutes

Nil

4039 HM Report

Shipping

2 x Ships; 1 x Scrap, 1 x Cement

Forecast; 1 Scrap, 1 Stone, 1 Aggregate in next few weeks.

Marketing

1467 likes Foot Ferry Facebook (145 since Apr), **1479** Likes Harbour Facebook (51 since Apr).

Local advertising in Wivenhoe Chronicle in April.

Sky TV on Heritage pontoon 1 May.

Days out in Essex delivered our first Charter booking, 2 persons whilst visiting Marsh farm saw the leaflet, phoned and booked.

Ferries

Many passengers taking advantage of fine Easter Weekend.

Port Marine Safety Code

Designated Person will undertake first inspection following season in October. He will also join the Commissioners at the upcoming training day.

New policy statement on website

Health and Safety meeting scheduled for Thursday 2 May.

Dredging

East Basin Dredging continues through May. Bathymetric survey conducted on Folly and North channel, another is scheduled on 6 May to cover Pontoons and Bumpkin Bay.

Maintenance

Town Jetty refurbishment continues.

Rigged in new electrical points on Jetty making replacements more modular.

Electrical Check on all Harbour assets now complete.

No1 Launch Refurbishment including replacement engine complete.

Mooring Chain repairs undertaken on St Osyth pontoon.

Administrative

Banking – Best value research conducted into current account Banking, new bank selected.

Commercial

Port of London Authority used the Harbour earlier in the month.

Sea Puffin – Orsted VIPs visiting windfarms.

Personal Watercraft

New leaflet out and being distributed.

Days of Action started 2 weeks ago; next one scheduled for May Bank Holiday weekend.

Colchester Borough Council

Funding commitment for River Patrol to be re-considered following local elections.

Possible grant funding next year.

Aids to Navigation inspection scheduled for 8 May.

Moorings

Well subscribed including more Fore and aft.

Marina very little capacity left.

Piling

Thanks to D Nicholson for his notes on Piling which have now been included in the Harbour's corporate memory file.

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SUFUSE

The chairman discussed the feedback on SUFUSE, thanked those involved for their efforts. The HM was asked to circulate all feedback to the stakeholders. P Hatswell asked if other funding opportunities emerged then could they be directed to the former SUFUSE stakeholders. The chairman indicated that this would be an item for further discussion on the Training Day.

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Land Acquisition

It was agreed following discussions last meeting that an informal tender bid should be submitted for Copperas Rd. The bid was then signed by Chairman, Deputy Chairman and Harbour Master.

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Commissioners' Training Day

Date and venue confirmed as 24 May 2019 at the Community Centre. Timings and Agenda would be circulated to Commissioners.

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Brightlingsea Town Council

Following discussion the HM was directed to hold an informal discussion with the new Mayor regarding the licence and any future developments.

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Matters raised by Members

D Nicholson asked to have a chart with soundings published on the Website. The HM confirmed this would be added as soon as possible.

The Future of USAR was also raised. The HM confirmed that the USAR project was scheduled to finish next year. However, if any extension was sought which could benefit Brightlingsea or the Harbour, this would be put to Commissioners to decide.

P Hatswell gave a summary of events happening in the local area including 'Fords on the fairway'.

Next

Meeting

Meeting

closed

Wednesday, 5th June 2019 at 1830hrs.

21.00hrs



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