

BRIGHTLINGSEA HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMERCIAL ADVISORY GROUP HELD ON 13 March 2018

Present:

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| A Evans | Mainline | Chairman |
| J Thomas | BHC | Harbour Master |
| G Constable | Waterside Boatyard | |
| P Hickman | Hickmans | |
| G Steady | BTC | |
| B Smith | BTC | |
| R Howard | Oyster Fishery | |
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| J Booth | BBPR | |
| K Booth | BBPR | |
| J Parfitt | BBPR | |
| B Hetherington | BBA | |
| J Pitt | Landowners | |
| C Olaoi | IFCA | |
| D Bailey | IFCA | |
| A Harman | St Osyth Boatyard | |
| J Harman | St Osyth Boatyard | |
| F Brown | BSC | |
| In attendance | | |
| J Addison | Commissioners | |
| D Nicholson | Commissioners | |
| W Coulet | Exo Environmental | |
| G Dowd | Purelake | |

166 Introduction & Apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed members to the group, which includes a number of new members ensuring that all stakeholders are represented. Apologies were received from:

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| D Potter | Orsted |
| C French | French marine |
| M French | French marine |
| A Tage | Olivers Wharf |

167 Minutes of the Meeting of 11 Oct 2017.

Minutes were approved as a true record of the meeting.

168 Matters Arising from the Minutes

None

169 USAR

William Coulet briefed those in attendance about the last Phase of the project to dredge the Harbour and use the sediment to reinstate the saltmarsh. The project is part of a European Interreg programme that has been set up to investigate the use of sediment as a resource (USAR). It is partially funded by BHC with the remaining funds being granted by the programme.

Year 2 Oct 17- Mar 18 Clear the south channel St Osyth to (-0.75m CD).
Fill the Borrow pits, more bush fascines to be constructed on Cindery West.
Monitoring has been taking place and will continue.

170 Harbour News

Ferry Chartering - New ideas
Advertising - Wider selection
New Website - will include tide gauge
Marina - Improvements and developments which will include an area to operate the PWC club.
PWC Club - Is being set up by a Member of the met Police Liam Battersby.
Wrecks and Abandoned boats - European project in development
SUFUSE - The town will lead with support from the harbour

171 Other stakeholder News

G Dowd gave a short update on progress of the Marina Development and confirmed his support for the Harbours work on the Marina.

R Haward gave a short update on his future plans regarding his enduring commitment to Oyster dredging in Brightlingsea.

J Booth explained that he had now taken over the operational running of BB Park and Ride with his wife K Booth and would ensure it continues providing the same or better level of service.

172 Matters raised by members

C Olaoi asked if water could be made available as their previous supply at Harker's yard was no longer available. The HM stated he had plans to address the issue and would speak on the matter later.

The HM explained that natural England had failed to turn up to the meeting to update the stakeholders on the coastal path.

P Hickman raised concern that the south channel had become difficult to navigate due to the way the mooring buoys were arranged, the HM stated he would look into it.

G Steady made a statement regarding the future of the Brightlingsea sea front and how the BTC planned to enhance what they have and increase visitor numbers. He thanked the Harbour for their support.

173 Meeting closed 18.45hrs

174 Date of next Meeting

15th Oct 18

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Duncan Potter