

Minutes of a Meeting of the ABERYSTWYTH Harbour Users Consultative Committee held remotely via video-conference on Thursday, 19 October 2023

Representing Ceredigion County Council: Councillor Keith Henson (Chairman)
Councillors Elizabeth Evans and Matthew Vaux

Officers in Attendance: Gerwyn Jones, Owen Morgan and Dana Jones

Harbour Users: Brian Davies, Norman Robertson, Chis Seal, Owen Jones-Williams. Stephen Webb, Carl Rich, David Nicholson, Jonathan Evans, Brett Stones, David Barnes, Mike Masters, Patricia Lewis, Sandra Cosslett

(7.50pm – 8:20pm)

1. **Apologies**
Councillor Endaf Edwards apologised for his inability to attend the meeting.
2. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 March 2023**
It was AGREED that minutes of the meeting held on the 16 March 20 confirmed as a true record.
3. **Harbour Services Update**
Owen Morgan, Harbour Manager outlined the content of Calm Waters 5 and Members noted the content.
4. **Mooring Waiting List**
It was agreed to note the mooring waiting list as presented.
5. **Issued raised by Harbour Users**
 - Clarification was sought on the lift out of boats over the winter. It was reported that mooring holders were required to make their own arrangements subject the required applications and licenses to do so. Winter storage was subject to application and payment of fees. Dredging of the Harbour and Marina was requested. It was reported that this would be considered in line with the service budget. It was also confirmed that dredging of the Marina was the responsibility of the Marina
 - Discussion on the proposal to regenerate the harbour area was discussed and it was confirmed that the Harbour Service was not aware of any formal plans. Concerns were raised by a Harbour user that plans for a potential bridge from the Marina could restrict the navigation of masted vessels in the harbour.

Owen Morgan confirmed that he had already raised that same concerns with colleagues involved in the proposal..

- Reports were made that boats were travelling over 8 knots from the shore. In response, the Harbour Manager reported that these incidents should be reported to the Harbour Team, Police, and MCA.
- No update on the Aberystwyth Marina