

AT A MEETING of the River Hamble Harbour Management Committee of
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL held at Warsash Sailing Club on Friday, 9th
March, 2018

Chairman:

p. Councillor Seán Woodward

p. Councillor Roger Huxstep
a. Councillor Fred Birkett
p. Councillor Mark Cooper
p. Councillor Rod Cooper
a. Councillor Tonia Craig
a. Councillor Pal Hayre

a. Councillor Rupert Kyrle
a. Councillor Stephen Philpott
p. Councillor Lance Quantrill
p. Councillor Bruce Tennent

Co-opted members

p. Rupert Boissier - River Hamble Boatyard and Marine Operators Association
p. Councillor Trevor Cartwright - Fareham Borough Council
p. Dermod O'Malley - Berth and Mooring Holders
p. Trevor Pountain - Association of River Hamble Yacht Clubs
p. John Selby - Royal Yachting Association
p. Nicola Walsh – British Marine

32. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Birkett, Hayre, Philpott, Pearson and Kyrle. Councillor Bruce Tennent was in attendance as the Liberal Democrat deputy member.

33. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter considered at the meeting they must declare that interest at the time of the relevant debate and, having regard to the circumstances described in Part 3, Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore Members were mindful that where they believed they had a Non-Pecuniary interest in a matter being considered at the meeting they considered whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 2 of the Code, considered whether it was appropriate to leave the meeting whilst the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

Councillor Rod Cooper declared an interest as a mooring holder and as a non-executive Board Director at the RAF Yacht Club; Ms Nicola Walsh declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest as an employee of Premier Marinas; Cllr Cartwright declared Personal Interests as a member of Warsash Sailing Club and the Royal Yachting Association; Mr John Selby declared Personal Interests as a trustee of Warsash Sailing Club; committee member of the Royal Yachting

Association, of the River Hamble Combined Clubs and of the River Hamble Mooring Holders Association; Mr Trevor Pountain declared Personal Interests as the Chair of the Association of River Hamble Yacht Clubs, a member of the Hamble River Sailing Club, the Royal Southern Yacht Club, the Royal Yachting Association and as a mooring holder.

34. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - 1 DECEMBER 2017

The minutes of the Committee meeting held on 1 December 2017 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

35. DEPUTATIONS

A deputation was received from Mr Alex Benfield on behalf of Marina Projects Ltd. in relation to Item 8 on the agenda. Mr Benfield spoke in support of the application for a variation to the existing Harbour Works Consent for the pontoon layout at Swanwick Marina. He commented that he considered the report at Item 8 to be thorough and that it had addressed any concerns raised by consultees.

36. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

37. MARINE DIRECTOR AND HARBOUR MASTER'S REPORT AND CURRENT ISSUES

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services (Item 6 in the Minute Book) regarding incidents and events in the Harbour.

An addendum was distributed at the meeting which outlined those events which had occurred since the publication of the papers.

In response to a question regarding the zoning of activities on the River, it was confirmed that communication and engagement with river users was crucial to ensure that users were fully informed and aware of scheduled events and potential risks. Furthermore, members were reassured that river users and local groups were encouraged to liaise with the Harbour Office regarding upcoming events and activities to ensure that appropriate advice and assistance was sought and implemented.

RESOLVED:

That the River Hamble Harbour Management Committee:

- i) Recommends that the Harbour Board approves the publication of the revised Strategic Vision and Plan as outlined in Section 5 and as attached at Appendix 1 and 2.
- ii) Notes the remainder of the report.

38. ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services summarising the environmental management of the Hamble Estuary during winter 2017/18 (Item 7 in the Minute Book).

RESOLVED:

That the River Hamble Harbour Management Committee notes the report.

39. HARBOUR WORKS CONSENT APPLICATION - VARIATION TO EXISTING CONSENT FOR PROPOSED PONTOON LAYOUT AT SWANWICK MARINA

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services setting out an application for a variation to an existing Harbour Works Consent for a proposed pontoon layout at Swanwick Marina (Item 8 in the Minute Book).

RESOLVED:

That the River Hamble Harbour Management Committee recommends that the River Hamble Harbour Board approves the variation to the Harbour Works Consent for the proposal set out in this report and subject to the following conditions:

- a) That the proposed pontoon layout is to be built in accordance with the details and plan set out in paragraph 4, with conditions as specified in River Hamble Harbour Authority's Harbour Works' Consent dated 23 July 2007, with the single exception that fixed navigation lights as approved by Trinity House shall be fixed to each Hammerhead.
- b) Any changes to the exact location of any piles supporting the proposed layout that are found to be required at detailed design must be approved in writing by the Harbour Master.
- c) The applicant should ensure that only coatings and treatments that are suitable for use in the marine environment are used in accordance with best environmental practice. All reasonable precautions will be undertaken to ensure no pollutants enter the waterbody.
- d) The applicant should ensure that all equipment, temporary structures, waste and/or debris associated with the licensed activities is removed upon completion of the licensed activities.
- e) Vibro-piling should be used as standard. Percussive piling must only be used if needed to drive a pile to its design depth. If percussive piling is necessary then soft-start procedure must be used to ensure incremental increase in pile power over a set time period until full operational power is achieved.

- f) That the pontoon reconfiguration must be completed within 3 years from the date of the approval granted by the Harbour Board.

40. RIVER HAMBLE ASSET REGISTER

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services outlining the register of Harbour Authority assets and timescales for replacement (Item 9 in the Minute Book).

RESOLVED:

That the Committee recommends to the Board that this report be taken into account alongside the annual statutory accounts in setting Harbour Dues for 2018/19 at the June Board meeting.

41. ANNUAL REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLAN

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services reviewing the Harbour Authority Business Plan (Item 10 in the Minute Book).

RESOLVED:

That the Committee note the content of the Business Plan and recommend that this be approved by the River Hamble Harbour Board.

42. FORWARD PLAN FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The Committee considered the report of the Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services with regard to the future business items for the Committee and Harbour Board agendas (Item 11 in the Minute Book).

RESOLVED:

That the River Hamble Harbour Management Committee notes the report.