

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RIVER YEALM HARBOUR
AUTHORITY HELD IN THE HARBOUR OFFICE NEWTON FERRERS ON JULY 18th
2013**

Members

* Mr D Drought – Chairman	* Mr M Mears	@ Mr P Gough
* Mr R Carter	* Mr A Matthews	@ Mr D Southwood
* Mr A A Tubb	@ Mr J A Leonard	@ Mrs S Cooper
* Mr P Fellows	@ Mr M J Oates	

* Mr R Dearn – Harbour Master * Mrs H Phillips

• *Denotes attendance @ Denotes apology for absence*

39/13 MINUTES

The Minutes for June were agreed.

40/13 MATTERS ARISING

1. Sewage- the Environment agency came and inspected the suspected leak at the Brook but discovered that it was in fact fresh water.
2. Trinity House – have now disestablished a number of beacons belonging to utility companies around the river.
3. Internet Banking – this is now available on a view only basis on our Santander current account and is proving very useful.

41/13 CORRESPONDENCE

1. Newton and Noss Parish council – have notified us that Peter Gough is resigning from the parish and so will no longer be their representative. Peter Stitson will be taking his place with effect from August.

42/13 FINANCIAL REPORTS

Profit and Loss report

1. Nothing of note under sales.

Overheads.

2. Legal – Vickery Holman, who are negotiating our new rateable value have asked for an interim payment of £750 + Vat which has now been paid.
3. Repair and Maintenance - £2545 has now been paid for work on installation of the pontoon. A further £60 was to the National Trust for rent for the leading marks on the Wembury side.
4. The third quarter rent of £12,575 has now been paid.

Balance sheet

1. Nothing of note.

Cash flow

Income: we predict the July income will be up on the projected figure so we have added an extra £2000.

Expenditure: We have moved £7000 of the contingency money through to December as we do not anticipate buying a second boat but would like to keep this money in reserve. We also do not expect July repair and maintenance bill to be as high as predicted but have left it as it is for now.

43/13 HARBOUR MASTER'S REPORT

- Visitor numbers - Boat nights are currently 1664 up on 2012 (1545) but down on 2011 (1998).
- 25/06 – Mike Bowyer was on duty. Yacht Eliza J 47' misjudged a turn to top pontoon and his rope cutter chopped 'Dementia's' mooring and set it adrift. Having no drive he then drifted onto Kutani before managing to anchor. Mike Bowyer with the assistants of Phil Carter then towed him out to PM1 where he was later towed around to Plymouth. He rang to thank Mike for his assistance, which was very much appreciated. Just prior to this Mike had had to deal with another yacht that was having difficulties and tow it to another mooring.
- 26/06 - Mike's second day on duty, a 27' Yacht with a 91-year-old man onboard, single-handed, caught alight. Mike noticed it from his house and contacted Robert, who was in South Brent. Rodney Carter and Phil Carter were the first on the scene and managed to get a grapnel and chain onto the boat, which had been set adrift and held it clear of other boats. They also managed to move a couple of boats that looked in potential danger. By the time Robert made it back the Fireboat and several fire engines were on the scene but the boat was burned out. As it started to sink Rodney and Phil were able to drag it inshore slightly. There were no casualties and only one rib received damage to its sides.
- 27/06 – Robert and Phil were able to attach a couple of strops to the wreck and some flotation and drag it further into shore. Meaning it would be exposed at next springs and less of a hazard.
- 28/06 – owner came at Low water and helped remove a lot of the debris. Phil and Robert helped cut the mast and rigging away.
- 29/06 – Tried to float wreck but unable to do so.
- 11/07- Using extra flotation able to float wreck and take it up to Bridgend, where owner is going to arrange for its removal by Hiab. Unfortunately he was not insured.

At this point the committee felt that a special thank you should be extended to both Rodney and Phil Carter who helped to avert a potentially disastrous situation, and also to Robert and Mike for their assistance in dealing with this matter.

- 13/07- an outboard was stolen from Nick Gingell's boat Mr Toad.

44/13 PARISH COUNCIL LIAISON

Wembury – Nothing to report

Brixton – Absent

Newton & Noss – Only details discussed earlier in correspondence concerning change of representative.

Yealmpton – Nothing to report

45/13 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Nothing to add

46/13 A.O.B.

1. Only a reminder that the paddle boarding and canoes is to be discussed at the next meeting

47/13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 19th September** in the Harbour Office at 6.00 p.m.

Chairman