

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RIVER YEALM HARBOUR  
AUTHORITY HELD IN THE HARBOUR OFFICE ON OCTOBER 20TH 2011**

Members

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| * Mr R Carter – Chairman | * Mr M Mears     | * Mr P Gough    |
| * Mr D Drought           | * Mrs R Watts    | * Mr A Matthews |
| * 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*

**80/11 MINUTES**

The minutes from the previous meeting were agreed.

**81/11 MATTERS ARISING**

1. The mooring holder's elections have now been cancelled, as the existing representatives were the only people to put their names forward.
2. The partnership request by Mr Cuthill has now been withdrawn.
3. Mrs Cooper still needs to look into the issues over the quay at Yealm steps and will report back next meeting.
4. Environment Letter – it was felt that specific issues need to be targeted and the chairman and the Harbour master will look into this further.

**82/11 CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Mr D Hussell has written regarding boats fishing illegally in the river for Bass. He has sent in various information on the rules regarding this. The Harbour Master responded that because we are not on the water at all times then assistance and details of anyone fishing for Bass would be useful which we can then forward onto Devon and Seven Inshore Fisheries Conservation Authority. He has then written back again with four suggestions as to how we can better police the situation. It was felt that this is the job of Devon and Seven IFCA. The Harbour Master was contacted telling him the boat was anchored in the river fishing and on approaching it was told they were not fishing for Bass but Gilt Headed Bream.

**83/11 FINANCIAL REPORTS**

1. The financial reports were presented to the committee, which appeared all in order. No questions were raised.

**84/11 HARBOUR MASTER'S REPORT**

1. The boat nights so far this year are 4663 compared to 4615 last year.
2. A request has been received on behalf of the Yacht Club for another mooring for two more Yawls for next season. Provided this is monitored and that individuals being allocated the moorings use them for racing regularly and that the owners met all our residency rules it was agreed that this should be alright. Andrew Matthews proposed that all Yawl owners who are on the river with the Yacht Club should also be on our

- waiting list for a mooring. This was seconded by Tony Tubb and unanimously approved.
3. Mark Wilson has now serviced the top pontoon, we are still awaiting the invoice.
  4. The new pontoon is now due to be delivered at Shore Store week starting 7<sup>th</sup> November.
  5. The launch has now been serviced.
  6. There has been one theft of an out board motor in the last month. It was suggested that we put a note in the annual harbour letter letting people know that there has been a significant number of thefts this year and suggesting that it may be a good idea not to leave outboards on boats.
  7. Bridgend lift out - this may have to be delayed due to the high winds forecast; we are waiting for confirmation from Shore Store.

#### **85/11 PARISH COUNCIL LIAISON**

Wembury – reported another canoe being stolen from their rack.

Brixton – two different committee members voiced Concerns over the increased use of the recreational area for mooring boats and other objects. It was agreed that the Harbour Master and the Chairman should go and have a look and assess the situation.

Newton & Noss – Nothing to report.

Yealmpton – Nothing to report.

#### **86/11 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**

Nothing to add.

#### **87/11 A.O.B.**

Nothing

#### **88/11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November** in the Harbour Office at 6.00 p.m.

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**Chairman**