



Meeting: Minutes of Dunbar Harbour Management Committee

Date: Thursday 2nd May 2024 Location: McArthur's Stores 6.30pm

1.0 Present: Eric Robertson (Chairperson), Fiona Kibby - Harbour Master (minutes), James Bisset, Ian Combe, Robin Hamilton, Andrew White, John Blythe,

2.0 Apologies: Duncan Forbes

3.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting – the notes from the previous meeting had been circulated.

4.0 Harbour Master Report

1. Hardstanding now clear, HM has permitted 3 skiffs and 1 yacht on the hardstanding. Others are asking but have been refused. It was agreed that this area should be left as clear as possible to assist in loading and unloading safely. There was a discussion on the Bielside belle skiff – it was lifted off broken trailer and awaits owner to fix trailer.
2. Harbour clean-up was successful, we had around 14 helpers over the weekend, and 2 pickups full went to the tip. All quaysides were swept and tidied. Main disappointing issue was the number oil/ paint/waste oil container left lying on quaysides. These are a huge environmental risk if they fall in. Note our PMSC audit is due imminently.
3. Murals - 2 boards varnished (by Tania King), some are beyond help and I will remind schools if they want to repair them. We are expecting a new one from Innerwick, Rowing Club and potentially RNLI.
4. A local photographer - Jay Kirkland is doing some digital photo art of fishermen, hoping to replace Quentins boards with this. Planning to use Crown estate grant money for this project.
5. Harbour storm gate, have spoken to The Ridge and Grant Fitzimmons who are working on a new gate at bridge proposal for the board. Have asked Robin Hamilton to support while HM on holiday.
6. Harbour street lighting repaired by ELC at Castle and South Quay.\
7. Incidents being investigated - will report at Board meeting (DSC Crane in, debrief meeting to be held)
8. AGT have worked on the walls at Cromwell(pointing and filling) and have

filled potholes on walkway. Expecting them back next week for breakwater rocks.

9. McA store - fire doors still being propped open and when we tried to access boiler for a repair it was blocked with waste and old creels. (heating repair on leaking pipe now complete)
10. To do list: Bicycle repair station to be installed (Micky?) and Bunker doors sand and paint - Ian C has paint info to order it.

5.0 Retail

- 5.1 ER has been looking at ice Cream sales options – still on going
- 5.2 There was a discussion on benches from The Shed for visitors to use near slip
- 5.3 No more news from Mark Gibson on his plans for a new unit.
- 5.4 Rudy Mason will run Seafood shack as before and Val Tear up and running with Kittiwake.
- 5.5 Pizza van attending only Thursday's for now.

6.0 Maintenance and Repairs

6.1 Programme of Work (from Robin Hamilton)

- AGT have completed wave wall repairs and are working on Cromwell pointing and filling.
- In total approx. £100K from 2 grants awarded has been claimed.
- Waiting for condition survey report.
- Grant submission completed by Alasdair Swan
- IC raised the piantiung of the railing at harbour entrance. These railings were re-secured last year. Paint is in HM store that could be used.
- ER mentioned the new Battery info signage needs paint for the base. HM has some woodstain for this purpose.
- The Iron Pole repair was discussed. Agreed that AGT and James Bisset would progress with a temp solution as soon as weather permits.
- Trip hazards to be identified if need repair – ER mentioned pot hole in hard stand area and anti foul spills by DSC members.

7.0 Harbour Users Items

- 7.1 **Carried forward** - Fishing line bin at steps in Victoria has been raised by Alan Stewart. He claims it could obstruct the handrail. FK to arrange for it to be moved. **FK**
- 7.2 **Carried forward** - The harbour chains will be inspected at next low tides. DSC support still needed to look for funding sources for new chains. FK to arrange another meeting with the 'Chain Gang'. **FK**

8.0 AOCB

Carried forward - The base of the beacon/ flag pole on the castle needs new metal brackets to secure it. IC and JB to retrieve flag and pole and to arrange new brackets.

IC/ JB

AS to be asked to switch heating off in MCA store.

HM gives apologies for absence for next meeting due to holidays.

Date of next meeting – 6th June 6.30pm McArthurs Stores