

Minutes of a Meeting of the ABERYSTWYTH Harbour Users Consultative Committee held remotely via video-conference on Thursday, 16 March 2023

Representing Ceredigion County Council: Councillor Keith Henson (Chairman)
Councillors Endaf Edwards and Carl Worrall

Representing Aberystwyth Town Council and the Harbour Users Group: Brian Davies

Officers in Attendance: Gerwyn Jones, Owen Morgan, Katy Spain and Nia Jones (minutes)

Other Harbour Users: Chris Seal, Martin Seal and Katy Willett

(7.15pm – 7.30pm)

1. **Apologies**
None received
2. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 October 2022**
It was agreed to confirm as a true record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on the 20 October 2022.
3. **Matters Arising**
none
4. **Harbour Services Update**
Owen Morgan, Harbour Manager for Ceredigion provided an update with reference to the 4th Edition of the 'Calm Waters' Newsletter circulated earlier that day.
5. **Issues Raised by Harbour Users**
The following were questions raised prior to the meeting

Question	Answer
I wish to discuss the ongoing situation with regard to the finances of Aberystwyth marina. their failure to pay staff and what it means for the harbour users (many) who berth there	The Council has no role in the operation or management of the Marina and are not, therefore, in a position to comment. The Council is aware of a number of issues that are being raised. Whilst we can understand the concerns, we cannot comment further at this stage as it is an ongoing situation.
Can the drying grid and slipway be added to the agenda please? Thank you	Issues related to the Drying Grid and Slipway can be raised at any time with the Harbours Team either in person, or

	via Clic.
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Supplementary questions were posed during the meeting:

Is there any work planned regarding cleaning the pontoon in the middle of the river. It needs to be power washed to clear the slime	We will have a look to see if we have budgets to maintain, and potential grant funding. We will speak to custodians of harbour also to see what can be done. There would need to be a risk assessment as it is not easily accessible.
Is there likely to be any change to the right to use the harbour, or is it likely to be transferred?	There are no plans to change anything at present.

Post Meeting Note

The redacted mooring waiting list for each harbour as at March 2023 is attached. The number of each entry reflects when the transaction was made. The allocation of moorings is as set out and in accordance with the Ceredigion Harbour Management Policy.

The Chairman of the meeting thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

5. Any other matter which the Chairman decide is for the urgent attention of the Committee

No items were raised.