



Ashlett Sailing Club



Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Thursday 11th June 2020
at 7 pm via Zoom.

1. Present by Zoom: - Chris Brown, Sharon Geary-Harwood, Jim Hopwood, Dick Pizey, Martin Lucas, Phil Crossland, Keith Guy-Gibbens, Merv Griffiths, Neil Howarth, George Fabling, Dave Waters
2. Apologies for Absence: None
3. Minutes of the last meeting: Approved
4. Commodore – Chris Brown:
 - a. Boat lifter – some concern at the lack of a business plan. Sharon asked what the annual running costs would be and Chris assured her they would be minimal. He also explained road improvements and gate widening would not be needed this year. Agreed to place an order. Paul Townsend will visit the club next week to discuss details.
 - b. Cleaners - Chris will meet new cleaners to agree service required.
 - c. Fawley Waterside – agreed not to request relocation of the public footpath. Dick to invite members to join a monitoring group.
5. Hon Sec – Jim Hopwood
 - a. TLS boats in pound
 - b. Mandate change forms sent to bank
 - c. Julian Pearson resignation to Company's House
 - d. Replaced soap in toilets
 - e. BACs payments
6. Treasurer – Sharon Geary-Harwood
 - a. Small business grant has been received
 - b. The balance in the main account up until 7th June was £46,963.36
 - c. Second bank account balance £6,871.02
 - d. Savings account £47,328.05
 - e. Finally the missing bank statements have been sent, so I am working with Kara to get the end of year accounts together
 - f. Waiting for online application to be approved
 - g. Allowing for the jetty, boat lifter and other expected costs we will have about £20,000 left by the time subs are due at the end of March

7. Membership – Dick Pizey
 - a. 190 members – of whom 188 have paid up – either in full or 50%
 - b. Some 50% payers – paying in full in past week or so (approx. £2,000 outstanding)
 - c. Letter sent to John Connolly enclosing renewal form and address return envelope – confused call from him today.
 - d. Ray Mead is the only other outstanding as far as I am concerned. Phil has visited without result.
 - e. One new Family member applicant being processed (Will Jones)
 - f. Email sent (07/06/2020) to David Hoskings who has been accepted but delayed joining through wife's illness – asked to make a decision as his space is the only one left.
 - g. Membership cards ready to go in club when able to do so.
8. Communications – Dick Pizey
 - a. Website traffic is increasing with 253 new people visiting it in past 4 weeks – up 66% on previous 4 weeks
 - b. Monthly Newsletter -Normal service resumed with monthly newsletter – unless something urgent requires sending out. Publications date – the Friday (or weekend) following the Committee meeting
 - c. Creek News - Will liaise with Jacky over future publications. Probably become a bi – annual publication – Spring and Autumn
9. Projects – Phil Crossland
 - a. Jetty progress. The start date is Monday 22 June from when there will be slipway restrictions. I say restrictions as opposed to closure as most of the equipment will be stored away from the slip at high water.
 - b. During the first 3 days or so there will be two vehicles working on the slipway putting the posts in, this may be a little more access restrictive. As the construction work progresses I have arranged for the contractor to use the spare old floating pontoon as a work platform which will again not fully take up all of the slipway.
 - c. The constructor will look to make use of some of the concrete area (not the footpath) during the day. They will look to put some equipment in the locked compound overnight.
 - d. Toilets will be our next major project – Please send information and ideas to Phil.
10. Bosun – Mervyn Griffiths
 - a. Old abandoned buoys removed; believed to have been swinging moorings for small boats.
11. Moorings – Keith Guy-Gibbens
 - a. Three refurbished moorings are ready to be allocated. Four more will be available once checked and serviced.

- b. Chris Edwards has volunteered to dig in exposed blocks, for which, many thanks.

12. Maintenance – George Fabling

- a. George agreed to take on the maintenance role and is available to help in the creek as and when required.

13. Compound – Martin Lucas

- a. Started to cut grass
- b. Started to trim the weeds around the fence
- c. Allocated some spaces I have no spaces left
- d. Allocated space for contractors
- e. Hopefully we can start work parties in July.
- f. Paint cans removed from skip to taken to Marchwood tip. Martin to put up another notice on use of skip.

14. Boat House – Neil Howarth

- a. No progress due to shut down. Confirmed the boat lifter will not be parked in the boat house.

15. Pontoon and Slip – Dave Waters

- a. Sharon now has the paint for the pontoon Pylons and will deliver shortly. Agreed to move the old pontoons currently tied up next to the mast crane to somewhere near the burn area on the hard standing for dismantling.

16. Any Other Business

- a. Slip booking etc. Dick to put a note in the Newsletter.
- b. Confirmed that the mast crane does not have a current certificate. Merv to contact Woody and if he cannot do it, find an alternative.

Future meeting dates: **9th July (note change)**, 6th August (if required for regatta planning, NB – not second Thursday!), 10th September, 8th October, 12th November, 10th December