

Minutes of the Harbour Committee

21 March 2006

-: Present :-

Councillor Jennings (Chairman)

Councillors Browne, Carter, Charlwood, Faulkner (Mrs J), Hodge, Hurst, Lomas and Westwood

(Also in attendance Councillor Hytche)

1013. Minutes. The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 16 January 2006 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

1014. Urgent Item. The Committee considered the item in Minute 1015, and not included on the agenda, the Chairman being of the opinion that it was urgent by reason of special circumstances i.e. the matter having arisen since the agenda was prepared and it was unreasonable to delay a decision until the next meeting.

1015. Paignton Harbour Working Party (Minute 785/12/05). The Committee received an update on the progress made in establishing the Paignton Harbour Working Party.

Resolved: (i) that the membership of the Paignton Harbour Working Party be increased to include three harbour users; and

(ii) that the Working Party's terms of reference be extended to address regeneration issues at Paignton Harbour.

1016. Brixham Harbour Waste Management (Minute 785/12/05). Following the Committee's request for possible solutions for addressing waste management issues at Brixham Harbour to be investigated, the Committee received Report 66/2006 setting out the current position and proposed a series of improvements to the situation.

Resolved: (i) that the Director of Marine Services be requested to keep waste issues under review and in consultation

with the Brixham Harbour Liaison Forum; and

(ii) that the Director of Marine Services be requested to discuss port waste management issues with the Strategic Director for Environment as part of the review of the waste management strategy.

1017. Brixham Harbourside Market. The Committee considered Report 68/2006 on a proposal for an arts and crafts market at the Old Fish Market, Brixham to be run by Brixham Chamber of Commerce every Saturday throughout the 2006 season.

Resolved: (i) that the Director of Marine Services be requested to exercise his delegated powers to allow a weekly market at the Old Fish Market, Brixham, to be held on Saturdays, for a trial period during 2006. The market to be run by the Brixham Chamber of Commerce with all monies that it might earn being reserved for community based projects and held in trust by Marine Services; and

(ii) that the Director of Marine Services be requested to exercise his delegated powers to prepare a contract between the Council and the Brixham Chamber of Commerce accordingly.

(Note: Councillor Charlwood required his abstention from voting on the decision in Minute 1017 to be recorded.)

1018. Draft Maritime Strategy and Consultation Process. The Director of Marine Services presented the executive



summary of the draft harbour and maritime strategy for Tor Bay "Catching the Wave" (as set out in Report 69/2006).

Members noted that the strategy would be published for consultation and a proposed list of consultees was circulated at the meeting. The Committee suggested that stakeholders from tourism and regeneration, the emergency services and the press be added to the consultation list.

1019. Harbour Liaison Forums. The Committee received the minutes of the Torquay/Paignton Harbour Liaison Forum held on 7 March 2006 and the Brixham Harbour Liaison Forum held on 9 March 2006 (as set out in Report 70/2006).

1020. Marine Services Budget Monitoring 2005/06 (Minute 787/12/05). The Committee considered Report 71/2006 which set out the projected income and expenditure for 2005/06 for Marine Services as compared to approved budgets.

The Director of Marine Services advised members that the Report highlighted a projected deficit of £10,000 for the Paignton and Torquay harbour account which was mainly due to the impact the phase 3 development works may have on the payment of rents from properties at Beacon Quay, Torquay. It was also noted that the Brixham harbour account projected a surplus of £41,000.

Resolved: that the projected outturn positions of the two harbour accounts and resulting change in reserve movements be noted.

(Note: Prior to consideration of the items in Minutes 1021 and 1022 the press and public were formally excluded from the meeting on the grounds that the item involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).)

1021. 11th Torbay (Barton) Sea Scout Group, Unit 13, Beacon Quay, Torquay. The Committee received Report 72/2006 setting out an application submitted by the 11th Torbay (Barton) Sea Scout Group for a grant to off-set rent in respect of Unit 13, Beacon Quay, Torquay.

Resolved: that the Director of Marine Services be requested to exercise his delegated powers to approve a grant to the 11th Torbay (Barton) Sea Scout Group to help offset the market rent for premises at Beacon Quay, Torquay Harbour for the period 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2006 at £200 per annum and for the period 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2009 at 50% (anticipated at £500 per annum). For the period 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2009, £200 per annum of the grant to be contributed from the Torbay Development Agency general fund budget.

(Note 1: During consideration of Minute 1021 Councillors Browne and Jennings declared a personal interest as members of the Board of Torbay Development Agency Ltd.)

Note 2: During consideration of Minute 1021 the Senior Democratic Services Officer declared a personal interest as her niece and nephew were members of the 11th Torbay (Barton) Sea Scout Group.)

1022. Brixham Sea Anglers, Land at Breakwater Hard, Brixham. The Committee received Report 73/2006 setting out an application submitted by the Brixham Sea Anglers for a grant to off-set rent in respect of land at Breakwater Hard, Brixham.

Resolved: that the Director of Marine Services be requested to refuse the application.

(Note: During consideration of Minute 1022 Councillors Browne and Jennings declared a personal interest as members of the Board of Torbay Development Agency Ltd.)

Chairman
