

Meeting: Harbour Committee Date: 21st March 2022

Wards Affected: All wards in Torbay

Report Title: Review of Delegated Powers

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1. Purpose

1.1 To review the delegated powers pertaining to the Torbay Harbour Master

2. Proposed Decision

2.1 That having reviewed the powers delegated to the Tor Bay Harbour Master, the Harbour Committee finds no reason to propose changes to the Council for determination.

3. Action Needed

3.1 No further action required.

4. Summary

4.1 The Terms of Reference for the Harbour Committee which form part of Torbay Council's Constitution require it to review annually the powers delegated to the Tor Bay Harbour Master and refer any proposed changes to the Council for determination. The Committee itself shall not authorise any changes.

Supporting Information

5. Position

5.1 It is deemed that present delegated powers for the Tor Bay Harbour Master are sufficient, and no review is required. The Officer Scheme of Delegation (Torbay Council) - updated and published on 8th February 2018 is deemed sufficient.

6. Possibilities and Options

- 6.1 Not to review the powers delegated to the Tor Bay Harbour Master.
- 6.2 To recommend further changes to the powers delegated to the Tor Bay Harbour Master.

7. Preferred Solution/Option

7.1 Not to refer any proposed changes to the Council regarding the powers delegated to the Tor Bay Harbour Master.

8. Consultation

- 8.1 There are a number of stakeholder groups which are used to consult on the quality and performance of the harbour service these are the Brixham Harbour Liaison Forum, the Torquay/Paignton Harbour Liaison Forum, various Community Partnerships.
- 8.2 All of these stakeholder groups have helped to influence the management arrangements in place for Tor Bay Harbour.

9. Risks

9.1 If the harbour's governance arrangements did not contain an appropriate level of delegated powers there would be a significant risk that the Council would not have a fit for purpose form of governance which reflected national best practice as set out in the PMSC Port Good Governance Guidance.

Additional Information

None