CHICHESTER YACHT CLUB GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING 04/03/2017

The General Committee, chaired by Commodore Robin Hamilton, dealt with the following business:

- Agreed the final Club Strategy 2017-2019 and delegated further publicity of this to the Board Sub-Committee (BSC). This categorises our 3-year strategy for growing the Club under four main themes; GC meetings will track and discuss progress under each theme.
- Noted that the agreed structural improvements to the pontoons had now been carried out at minimal cost and that they are now much more stable. It was agreed to sign this work off as completed to a satisfactory standard, subject to regular safety inspections.
- Agreed that maintenance and supervision of the revised Risk Register, which details the
 critical risks to the Club's operation and the mitigation measures to be taken, will be
 delegated to BSC, with reports as necessary to GC.
- Noted that Walcon have been asked to provide a quotation for replacement of the bridgeheads. The Treasurer asked for more detailed costing of the other proposed waterfront improvements so they can be planned within the agreed budget.
- Noted that refurbishment of the Restaurant was on schedule and should be complete by mid-March. The Committee gave a vote of thanks to Manu Jenkin for leading this project.
- Approved a proposal to replace the current coffee machine with a "barista" style espresso machine and to consider making coffee available outside normal Bar hours.
- Agreed in principle a detailed proposal for events on the Golden Jubilee weekend and delegated further management supervision to BSC.
- Noted that a Membership Committee (MemCom) had now been formed and had met to develop a strategy under the membership theme. They will be looking initially at membership categories. It was agreed that MemCom will take overall responsibility for Club marketing and that a member was required to lead this critical activity. It was also noted that membership appears to be on the rise for the first time since 2014.
- Proposed to have a more detailed look at the training and education theme at the next meeting in April.
- Agreed in principle that large external events should not close the Club to members and that, while the income from such events is clearly welcome, alternative Bar/Restaurant provision for members should be investigated.
- Noted that Keith Nice has now re-joined the Kitchen team and that Maddie has become Hospitality Manager, responsible for the Bar and internal Club events.
- Noted that the final budget for 2017 will be presented for agreement at the next GC meeting.

The next General Committee meeting is on 7 April 2017 at 20:00.

David Pearce Hon. Secretary