

CHICHESTER YACHT CLUB GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING 03/11/2018

The General Committee, chaired by Commodore Tony Mobbs, dealt with the following business:

- Noted that new tills have been installed which enable thumbprint recognition and provide for food orders to be taken at the Bar.
- Noted that the new fencing has now been erected near the lock, making the garden safer for children.
- Noted that feedback on the AGM had been very positive, although fewer members attended; a RYA webinar was due to be held in a few days' time which would cover some of the points raised at the meeting.
- Considered the fact that volunteers in the Club are diminishing and agreed that some further paid posts may become necessary.
- Agreed additional governance responsibilities for Committee Members:
 - Mark Green CYC website and social media, development of CYC App;
 - Keith Blanshard governance review and recommendations;
 - Philip Brown support to the Board Sub-Committee and governance review;
 - Bob Spencer membership matters (recruitment and retention);
 - Johnny Johnston hospitality and fabric;
 - Robin Hamilton waterfront.
- Noted that turnover for 2018 is expected to be £1.1m; the draft 2019 budget will be presented by the Treasurer at the next meeting and forecast spending on fixed assets in 2019 is likely to be on enhancements rather than replacements.
- Agreed procurement parameters for future spending proposals, retaining GC approvals for spends over £5k and BSC approval below that level but delegating minor spend approvals to the Commodore where appropriate.
- Agreed to no increases in subscription fees in 2019 pending our rent review, mortgage settlement and Brexit after which the position should be clearer for 2020.
- Agreed to introduce new Under 25 and Under 30 membership categories, allowing a graduated approach to full price membership for younger persons and families.
- Agreed to hold 2019 Dinghy Park fees at 2018 levels.
- Heard that a sub-committee had been formed, including the RC Dinghies, to take forward the proposals for improvements to the waterfront; there have been changes to the proposed upgrades which could affect the timing of the works due to the consents required.
- Discussed the position on training for 2019 and how this could be delivered; further consideration needs to be given to this matter.
- Noted that a proposal to replace the coffee machine with an improved facility will be considered at BSC.
- Noted that proposals for an extension to the Conservatory providing increased Restaurant capacity will be pursued by BSC before coming to GC for approval.
- Heard that there had been a theft from the changing rooms; the culprit has been identified on CCTV but the Police have so far been unable to apprehend him.
- Noted that the Commodore's charity for this year will be Stonepillow which provides shelter for homeless persons in the Chichester area.

The next General Committee meeting is on 15 December 2018 at 10:00.

David Pearce Hon. Secretary