

CHICHESTER YACHT CLUB GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING 24/05/2019

The General Committee, chaired by Commodore Tony Mobbs, was a non-quate meeting due to only five Committee members attending. However, it dealt with the following business:

- A presentation was given by the Dinghy Section on the Waterfront project updating on progress so far and the plan for pontoon replacement.
- QHM Portsmouth has replied to our queries, saying that the notification requirements for organised events are not new, they are simply not being followed. They will accept annual notification whereas Southampton require it monthly.
- An RYA clubs survey is being held in June and our members will be invited to take part.
- Considered the number of open days to be held next year, which may be fewer as membership is already up to 1,017.
- Discussed the regularisation of our licence requirements following erection of the Wheelhouse conservatory, expected in July.
- Heard that expenditure on replacement of the Upper Deck carpet and repairs to RIB Tango had been approved by the Board Sub Committee.
- Asked the Dinghy Section to submit an asset and maintenance plan for their vessels.
- Confirmed that a Strategy Day will be held on 8 June for invited attendees and the GC will then have a Governance Review at its next meeting.
- Received the latest trading figures which are in line with budget expectations and a little ahead of 2018 for the first three months, however we need to hold back on unplanned capital expenditure until the overall position becomes clearer.
- Discussed the communication of Club policies and rule changes to the members and agreed that this could be improved; whilst most of this information is available on the website, links could be provided in On Board at the appropriate times.
- Looked at the best ways to pull together the necessary information for the Volunteers' Charter and the organisation of a workshop.
- Welcomed the upcoming arrival of a loan gig in June to allow members to experience gig rowing and gauge whether this would be a desirable addition to activities at the Club.
- Considered the attitude, particularly of younger members, to "coaching" as an activity.
- Welcomed new staff member Drew Gibson, Senior Instructor, and Liz Adlington, Accounts to the Club.
- Noted with satisfaction that our new broadband is ten times faster than the old one and offers a number of possibilities previously unavailable, e.g. video conferencing.
- Heard that the switch from Worldpay to Payment Sense will provide more efficient card payments handling and offers savings as well.
- Discussed succession planning for the AGM in October.

The next General Committee meeting is on 5 July 2019 at 19:30.

David Pearce
Hon. Secretary