

CHICHESTER YACHT CLUB GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING 16/08/2019

The General Committee, chaired by Commodore Tony Mobbs, met on Friday 16 August and dealt with the following business:

- The Commodore has further discussed cruise notification with QHM Portsmouth and it seems that this requirement does not apply to anything members organise which is not facilitated by the Club's infrastructure – the discussion is ongoing.
- Planning consent has been received from Chichester District Council for our waterfront improvements but we still await approval from the Marine Management Organisation which could take some months yet. The Committee also discussed whether to replace the eastern or western pontoon in the first phase but this is still to be decided.
- The Committee voted to make Paul Cook, the new manager of Chichester Marina, an honorary member of the Club, replacing the previous manager.
- It was reported that we are more or less on target against our budget for this year. The 2018 audited accounts were presented to the Committee, which later approved them subject to any further comment by the auditors.
- The Dinghy Section reported a successful Dinghy Week with competitor numbers up on last year.
- Agreed that the pricing of training, especially one-to-one adult training, should be reviewed against cost to the Club, including boat usage.
- Concern was expressed that, having notified us that they intend to hard surface their shingle car parks, Premier Marinas might introduce pay and display charges in the area adjacent to the Club car park. This issue, together with concerns over the winter lock closure, will be discussed with Paul Cook, who is keen to work with us.
- It was confirmed that the leaks in the Wheelhouse during heavy rain will be attended to by the supplier.
- An in-depth discussion was held on the future governance proposals presented by Philip Brown, supported by the Commodore's explanation of the project principles. It was agreed that the structural adjustments were appropriate but that we do need to recruit more specific skills to the General Committee through the five general members option. The Commodore will deal with this latter point in his pre-notification of the AGM later in the month.
- The Hon. Secretary presented a proposal for the consequent changes to the Club Rules that would need to be voted on by members at the AGM in October. These were approved for presentation to the Section Sub Committees for their comments. The Commodore has drafted an explanatory paper to accompany the proposal.
- The timetable leading up to the Club AGM on 27 October was discussed and nominations invited for the Committee awards – the Endeavour Trophy, Woodham's Wheel and Cruiser Cup.

The next General Committee meeting is on Saturday 28 September 2019 at 10:00.

David Pearce
Hon. Secretary