

Cemaes Boat Club

Minutes of Meeting held Wednesday, 21st July, 2021, 7.00pm at Gorwel

Agenda

Present:

Richard Downs

Marilyn Downs

Simon Drakley

Mike Whitlam

Gerallt Jones

Mike Thompson

Sian Jones

Piers Beeland

Sue Beeland

Elfed Jones

1. Richard welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.
Mike Whitlam had stepped down from his role as Vice Chairman at the recent AGM, but as he was not present there hadn't been an opportunity to thank him personally. Richard went on to thanked him for his work in this role over the past years.
2. Apologies for absence
Ian Smith, David Thornton, Keith Muscott, Janet Whitlam, Jack Longman, Norman Mason, Steve Bray, Alun Pari Huws.
3. Minutes of the previous meetings
All agreed that the minutes were accurate and open for everyone to read on the website. (The minutes of the joint Zoom Meeting with Cemaes CIC would remain confidential to members of the Cemaes Boat Club rather than being published on the website.)
4. Matters arising:
 - The Firs – Richard reported that there has been a further approach from Horizon, who still appear very keen that the Boat Club is offered a location at the Firs. At the moment, a new offer has been passed to the solicitor for consideration.

5. Treasurer's Report

Simon reported that some money had been paid into the account since the last meeting and that he would send a statement report to Marilyn as soon as it is received.

6. Boatswain's Report

Simon reported that Alun Pari Huws has been in the bilges of the boat and the pintels (re-furbished by Gerallt) have been completed. The stern is all bolted together and ready for the final fit.

Both fore and aft decks have been rubbed down and are ready for varnishing. There is a little bit of softness in the bow that will probably need to be watched and will require further work.

7. Secretary's Report

Marilyn reported that she was only sending out emails to members as reported by Sian rather than using the current MailChimp sign up list. She will be creating two lists – one for members and one for website signups so that information and news items can be properly targeted.

Marilyn reported that Mike Thompson had passed over information from the National Historic Ships UK who have set up a Heritage Memorial Fund. Marilyn offered to contact them with an expression of interest to explore whether funding could be available to assist CHA (possibly with a trailer or custom built cover).

8. Membership Secretary's Report

Sian reported that there were currently 26 full members and 6 friends. The meeting discussed different ways to promote membership including posters on the local noticeboards. Sian and Marilyn would liaise and get these publicised.

Another possibility suggested by Gerallt was to try and get sailing 'celebrities' to engage with the Boat Club.

9. Website / Facebook Report

Marilyn will create a News article (with Richard's help) to be published on the Website and Facebook link. This could then be shared with the Historic Lifeboat page. The subject matter will be around the maintenance and include photographs to demonstrate the work that was undertaken in this past year.

10. Cemaes CIC update - Discussion of future options
(Confidential to Cemaes Boat Club Members)

There was a discussion about the Cemaes Boat Club's partnership with Cemaes Community Interest Company and the Capel Bethlehem Project.

It has taken an enormous amount of work to prepare the business plan and move the project forward since the site was purchased and planning permission achieved. The major part of this work has been done by Michelle Humphreys, Chairman of Cemaes CIC. It has been an enormous project to undertake and Michelle's work in this was recognised and acknowledged as a significant contribution.

Plans and notes were distributed to show the latest architects plans and the layout of the Visitors Attraction with the necessary retaining walls.

11. Future events:

- Tombola stall - Sunday, 22nd August
Marilyn would ask if Eirlys was available for this date and organise publicity, etc.
- Christmas Dinner – Dec 11th (or 4th) Marilyn will make enquiries at The Gadlys.

12. A.O.B.

Richard reported that he has contacted a firm regarding the publicity flags and banners discussed at the previous meeting. Simon will send information back from MonSAR as they use these as well and may have a more local and possibly cheaper supplier.

Elfed and Sian suggested raffling the framed CHA picture, but only pulling the raffle when a certain number of tickets have been sold to ensure that the value of the painting is covered.

Richard distributed the Maintenance Risk assessment for discussion and agreement. Cemaes Boat Club already has a risk assessment for when it is on the water, but this will enhance the current safety procedures operated by the club.

Proposed: Mike Thompson

Seconded: Sue Beeland

13. Date of next meeting: Wednesday, 18th August – 7.00pm The Vigour

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

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