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Minutes of a meeting of the '**JOINT DINGHY PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**' which was held on **Monday 15th June 2015 at 7.00pm** in the Parish Office.

Present:- Edward Allen (Chairman), David Woodcock, John Seymour, Tony Faulkner, Neil Thompson, Alban Donohoe, John Byfield & Victoria Egan.

Clerk:- Tracey Bayfield.

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1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Were received & ***accepted*** from Penny Wiles.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – *Parish Council Members only*. None declared.
3. It was ***proposed & agreed*** that the **MINUTES** dated Wednesday 6th May 2015 are signed as a true record.
4. **ADJOURNMENT** – To allow for Public Participation was not required.
5. Members received updates and reports on the proposed **DREDGING WORK** and agreed the next steps;
 - i) **Daniel Leggett** (Environmental Consultant) – 'Channel Proposal: Preliminary Options & Appraisal' - Executive Summary: - *Revision 1, May 2015*. Members had received and noted this. Some members had concerns over the costs/figures being quoted.
 - ii) **Action Plan** – as prepared by David Woodcock and Victoria Egan, was also fully considered by members.

Victoria Egan (National Trust) confirmed, that it was very likely that the spoil could be put on The Freshes, however members confirmed that we should not discount Brent Popes field just yet.

The following actions were ***proposed & agreed***:-

- *Ask 'Randalls' to update the original survey plan to take into account the changes, and within our budget of £1,400. At the same time, we ask that they provide cross sections of the channel to include cross sections which are at the same points as a survey which was undertaken in 1991. The west bank of the channel to also be shown in the survey.*
- *Victoria and David are to look at the proposed estimates and test them by going back to the various organisations and confirming precise requirements and questioning costs.*

- *Approach; i) Jex at King's Lynn, ii) Jeremy of Tracked Dumper Hire, iii) Peter Wordingham Plant Hire and get them each to cost for putting the spoil on The Freshes, in order to give us a figure.*
- iii) **Funding Opportunities** – Invoice for £5,595.88 has been paid to DLEnviro Ltd. This leaves the Committee with a net balance of £1,456.12. We have to raise funds – One way would be to introduce charges for those using the Dinghy Park.
- iv) From here on do we form a '**Dredging Sub-Committee**' (with or without delegated powers?) to take this forward. The proposer withdrew this item.

6. Other **MANAGEMENT ISSUES** –

- **Environment Agency Actions** – The E.A. have paid for and installed 2 concrete bollards at the entrance to the dinghy park, each with a hole so that the area can be chained off whilst the annual works are undertaken. (This amendment was the best option given our needs, and was shared with the committee ahead of proceeding.)

In addition to this they have installed replacement concrete posts near to the bank which demarked the dinghy park area, but which were destroyed following the tidal surge. We are likely to be billed for the cost of these.

- **Sale of craft** – 1 Kayak; Two sealed bids were received. One was for the 'Wayfarer' which has since been claimed, therefore the bid of £50 for the: *Green Kayak, Perception Kiwi 2 was accepted from Marek Pawlowski.*
- The possibility of introducing **charges** for use of the Dinghy Park Area, as the National Trust do at Morston. Following a request from a member of the Committee the Clerk had produced some information with regards to this and points to consider. It was **proposed & agreed** that we do introduce charges at the start of the 2016 season, and that Edward Allen and John Seymour work on some proposals to bring back to the next meeting.
- The Clerk asked for clarification on criteria for those eligible for a Blakeney Dinghy Park, **Car Park Permit** as a large number had applied. It was **proposed & agreed** that anyone legitimately using this area, ie. with a boat could have one, providing that they completed the appropriate application form, hence a record was held.

7. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – Monday 10th August at 7pm.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Chairman _____