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Minutes of a meeting of the '**DINGHY PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**' which was held on **Thursday 8th February 2018, at 7.00pm.**

Present:- John Seymour (Chairman), Jane Armstrong, Steve Roch & Peter Roe.

Clerk:- Tracey Bayfield.

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1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – were received & ***accepted*** from; Alban Donohoe, Rod Jeffreys & Sabrina Fenn.
2. There were no **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – *Parish Councillors only.*
3. It was ***proposed & agreed*** that the **MINUTES** of the meeting held on Wednesday 1st November 2017 are to be signed as a true record.
4. **Public Participation** in relation to any item on the agenda. There were no members of the public.
5. *To consider various* **Management Issues** –

- i) Update on abandoned **boats removed** at end of the 2017 season.

Firstly thanks to Jane, Rod, Peter and John for undertaking this task. The following items were removed and have since been advertised and will be sold without further notice. Viewing will take place on Saturday 28th April 2018 from 10am to 12 noon, when John Seymour will be in attendance at the boatyard. 1) Laser dinghy on trolley & trailer, 2) Laser dinghy, 3) Enterprise dinghy on trolley & trailer (*owned traced*), 4) 420 dinghy on trolley with 2 masts, 5) One trolley, 6) One trailer, 7) Two complete wrecks.

- ii) Update following the annual **Carnser clear up.**

Thanks to everyone who came along and helped with this. There appeared to be a little more rubbish than usual. On the 4th March, we will undertake a site visit and clear away any reserved spaces, and will store the items in the corner and place a notice and copy of the regulation on any items moved. An invoice had been sent to a couple in Cambridge who had left tyres on the dinghy park, which is against our regulations.

- iii) Update regarding the condition of the **slipway.**

Glaven Landscapes have been asked to provide a quote for 3 different approaches. i) Clean out the failed joints and refill, probably the least best option, and would last three to four years only, ii) Clean the whole slip and overlay with a new steel reinforced

concrete slab some 75mm thick. This has the disadvantage of raising the level and has a risk of delaminating in the future, iii) The existing sides to the slip are in good order, and hence this would allow for the removal of the central sections where damaged, creating a good edge to the existing sections and putting a new reinforced slab where the old has been removed. Possibly the best and most expensive solution. The best time to undertake the work would be October/November subject to funding, which will be discussed with The Sailing Club and N/T.

- iv) Update regarding the '**Sims Posts**'. Sabrina had kindly sent an update by email advising that it may come under fundraising for The National Trust and that she will have further discussion within the Trust.
- v) Members revisited the **Full Regulations**; as per the draft set agreed last month, and with a few further amendments following the end of season event, a final version was agreed and will now be shared with the public going into the new season. The Clerk will mailshot everyone who has previously registered and Jane will send to all Blakeney Sailing Club members.
- vi) Having agreed the final version of the full regulations the revised **signage** will now be submitted to the signwriter for printing and imminent installation.
- vii) Jane, John, Rod & Steve and hopefully a few other volunteers will lay the new sections of **chain** at the east section of park on Saturday 17th February, starting at 10am. We are unable to obtain free chain this time, and thus will incur our usual charges for stakes and shackles and the chain in the region of approximately £760 or so.
- viii) Confirmation that £1,500 **budget** for 2018/19 has been approved by BPC.
- ix) Dinghy Park & **future charges**; members were in receipt of the costs and due process used at Morston, but agreed not to bring in charges at The Blakeney Dinghy Park for now, however the regulations will be enforced to a much greater degree.
- x) Any other **management issues** not covered above. The National Trust will undertake the annual grass cutting of the site on Monday 12th February, for which we are grateful and the chain closing the site off for a short period of time will be put in place toward the end of February.

6. Members were reminded that we still have the following committee **vacancies** – 1 x Blakeney Harbour Assoc & 1 x Public representative.

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7. John and Peter kindly gave an update having attended the **Blakeney Channel Coastal Community Team** meetings. The Clerk advised that if it would be helpful, she would try and remember to share the minutes of the BC3T with the members of the Dinghy Park Management Committee automatically.

8. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – Tuesday 17th April at 6.30pm on The Dinghy Park for a site visit, and then back to the Parish Office.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Chairman _____