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**NOTES OF THE PORT OF PLYMOUTH MARINE LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON  
 THURSDAY 08 FEB 2024  
 PLYMOUTH ATHENAEUM, DERRYS CROSS, PLYMOUTH PL1 2SW**

<b>Present</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>User Group</b>
Robert Giles	King's Harbour Master	TECF/Harbour Auth.
Andrew Jones	King's Harbour Master	TECF/Harbour Auth.
Amelia Sturgeon	TECF	TECF
Richard Allan	Cattewater Commissioners	Harbour Authority
Humphrey Vince	Associated British Ports	Harbour Authority
Gareth shaw	HM Coastguard	Navigation and Rescue
Nigel Jones	RNLI	Navigation and Rescue
Rob Price	EA	Nature Conservation
Mae Van Loef	MMO	Nature Conservation
Carli Cocciaroli	Devon Wildlife Trust	Nature Conservation
Mark Waldron	MOD Police	Crime Abatement
Dave Curno	RYA	Recreation & Tourism
Dave Reeby	Plymouth Amateur Rowing Club	Recreation & Tourism
David Horrill	Angling Representative	Recreation & Tourism
Mickey Goble	Plymouth City Council	Moorings
Peter Scott	Cawsand Moorings	Moorings
Jason Lowther	University of Plymouth	Research
Adam James	University of Plymouth	Research
Lou Hoskin	University of Plymouth	Research
Ryan Hepburn	University of Plymouth	Research
Pete Holt	SHiPS Project	Research
Tors Froud	PCC / National Marine Park	Recreation
Ed Baker	Plymouth Fishing and Seafood association	Commercial/Rec & Tourism

Item	Discussion and Decisions	Action
1. Introduction	Chair (KHM) welcomed everyone to the February 2024 meeting.	
2. Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alex King, Mt Batten Centre.</li> <li>• Pauline Barker, Devon Wild Swimmers</li> <li>• Mark Perry, OCT</li> <li>• Kate Hind, DCC</li> <li>• Coral Smith, Devon, Wildlife Trust</li> <li>• Steven Payne, National Trust</li> <li>• Nigel Jones RNLI</li> <li>• David Colmer RNLI</li> <li>• Kate Duncan and Liz Cole, Recreation Scheme</li> <li>• Mark Veal - Sutton Harbour</li> <li>• Stefanie Broszeit PML</li> <li>• Tony Head, Port of Plymouth Sailing Association (PPSA)</li> <li>• Charles Bush - Marinas representative</li> <li>• Alex Polglase - Calstock parish council</li> <li>• Muriel Plaster – NE</li> <li>• Ben Mitchell KHM</li> </ul>	
3. Notes of the previous meeting	The notes of the previous meeting held in October 2023 were accepted as a true record of proceedings.	

**4. Actions from last meeting****UPDATE ON ACTIONS FROM THE PORT OF PLYMOUTH MARINE LIASION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 08<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024.**

Item	Notes	Meeting Update	Actionee
1.	Biosecurity plan – National review is ongoing: TECF plan is ranked highly but does require update. It was highlighted that members aren't using it and that engagement is needed.	National review complete shared with minutes– Complete link in TECF report, new invasive species guide also in TECF report – <b>Closed, moved to BAU</b>	TECF Coordinator
2.	Question S106 / CIL money – where does that money go?	Details included in TECF report and summary given in meeting - <b>Closed</b>	TECF Coordinator
3.	Proposal for Plymouth Sound & River Tamar Register of Research & Conservation Projects  <b>ACTION: TECF COORD to report back.</b>	TECF COORD and Lou Hoskin to discuss options for register to meet and report back	ALL
4.	Sound Off Table top exercise to take place with major port stakeholders  <b>ACTION : KHM to report back findings from exercise to the group</b>	KHM report back <b>Closed</b>	KHM

5.	Devon wildlife trust would like all parties to report Marine strandings to them for rescue/study.  <b>ACTION: TECF Coord to send Details for marine strandings</b>	Details shared. <b>Closed</b>	TECF Coordinator
6.	General Direction on wearing Kill Cords in Port –  <b>ACTION: DKHM / HALC to report back any updates once shared</b>	Took to HALC agreed to send coordinated message CHC trailing electric kill cords.	DKHM
7.	South Hooe Intertial Habitiat Breached, concern of speed of water borne traffic  <b>ACTION: KHM to look at possible ways they can help in speed reduction for waterborne traffic in the area.</b>	Ongoing, need to focus on education as it is difficult to enforce. KHM looking into Information PLNTM. Look at updating KHM Website.	PCO/DKHM
8.	Review and update DEFIB maps within waterfront area.  <b>ACTION: PCC to Report back.</b>		PCC
9.	Communication on Excellent water quality to be put out through TECF Socials.  <b>ACTION: TECF COORD to report back</b>		TECF

5. Update and Upcoming Business from Members	<p>Chairman gave an opportunity for members to bring their key business matters (approximately 3 points) and a look ahead for conflicts or support that may be required:</p> <p>Note: if an action is required or a response given it will be added in (<b><u>brackets, underlined and in bold</u></b>).</p>
<p>Peter Holt, SHiPs Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project fully funded for the next few years</li> <li>• Training programs for divers</li> <li>• New boat</li> <li>• Remapped all the seagrass in the Sound and Moorings in Cawsands. Report coming out.</li> <li>• Sonar survey, suggests that remedies re-seeding has been more successful than previously thought.</li> </ul> <p>Mickey Goble, Plymouth City Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suggestions for National Marine Park (NMP) to take Pete Scott's proposal forward.</li> <li>• Project to map all the life boys in Plymouth once all have been replaced.</li> </ul> <p>Dave Horrill, Angling Representative</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New to the group, welcomed to PPMLC</li> <li>• Asked if there are any fishing management plans available <b>ACTION on PCO to make contact</b></li> </ul> <p>Richard Allen, Cattewater Harbour Commission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nationally there have been low traffic trends.</li> <li>• Invested in a new pontoon at Barbican landing stage,</li> <li>• National Marine Parks have been discussed in the House of Lords, noted they are voluntary and without legal backing.</li> <li>• First apprentice has now been fully employed by Cattewater Harbour Commission.</li> </ul> <p>Gareth Shaw, HM Coastguard</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase in number of incidents, Rise in use of inflatable</li> <li>• Increase in number of incidents involving self harm, investing in a 'distress tool-kit' for people to use on the ground</li> <li>• Pushing for resilience team to train and practice for Major incidents – interested to keep being involved in training exercises taking place.</li> </ul> <p>Carli Cocciaroli, Devon Wildlife Trust</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stranding network going well and lots of engaged volunteers.</li> <li>• Data is coming in and trying to understand what is causing the strandings.</li> <li>• New assistant role with Devon wildlife trust starting in April.</li> </ul> <p>Mea Van Loef, Marine Management Organisation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• East Marine Plan in consultation.</li> <li>• Conservation team looking at Plymouth as potential site for work.</li> </ul> <p>Ryan Hepburn, University of Plymouth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing underwater camera project</li> <li>• Version 1 camera data is good. They will compare this data from the netting surveys to compare techniques.</li> <li>• Now looking at 3 different habitats around drakes island. and intertidal saltmarsh and seagrass. Need to find somewhere close to deploy, but issues with people stealing them. Currently looking at Wilcove and St Johns lake.</li> </ul>	

Lou Hoskins, UoP / RNLI

- RNLI 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 3<sup>rd</sup> March, Plymouth lifeboat event at Royal William Yard

Adam James, University of Plymouth

- Funding for a new research boat, called *Firestone*.
- Involved in an electric boat program, looking at 2025.
- Autonomy works has stalled because of regulations from the MCA.
- MOD Police expressed gratitude from crew of wave dancer from the Marine Station, for support in incident.

Humphry Vince, Associated British Ports

- Piling work in Millbay is nearly complete, but works will continue to take place.

Dave Curno, Royal Yachting Association

- Busy sailing season planned in 2024
- Cadet class national and world championship planned in Plymouth, ongoing with planning with KHM.

Peter Scott, Cawsand Mooring Association

- Reported that they have had an issue with Stirling moorings they are not fit for purpose. Wanted to cancel the project. OCT have said they will change the tops of the moorings.  
**ACTION on OCT to provide update**
- George Graydon recovered the boat very well.

Mark Waldron, MOD Police

- 50m exclusion zone. They are finding it hard to police because the signs are too weather worn. **ACTION DKHM/PCO to look at replacements ASAP**
- KHM looking at temp signs to hang over the vessels. **ACTION**
- New fleet of Police boats on order to replace existing.
- Issues of too much lighting at bull point. Which is now resolved.
- Q – is there an official recognition that could be given to those involved in the rescue of Ray Ives – **ACTION on KHM**

Tors Froud, Plymouth City Council/National Marine Park

- £23 million funding awarded, to National Marine Park.
- Influx of emails about ideas and requests but all the money is accounted for. There will be seed money for communities and nature at some point.
- Planned swim safe initiative.
- Signage audit, and how can we do things differently.

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6. Presentation	Presentation was given by Ed Baker from Plymouth Fishing and Seafood association.	<p><b>Rob Price to link Ed Baker with Tamar grow local,</b></p> <p><b>Richard Allen to link up with British ports</b></p>

		<b>association fishing groups.</b>		
7. Plymouth Water Safety Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No GIS map for Defibs in the city – previous advice via SWAST was to not map these – Charles Bush to link up <b>ACTION</b></li> <li>Incident in Firestone bay – is there a need to run training sessions on how to use a defib</li> </ul>	<b>PCC to look into creation of map, and training courses for the public</b>		
8. TECF matters	A Sturgeon presented the TECF update.			
9. Report Discussions	R Price Environment agency - See report circulated prior to meeting			
10. KHM matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Dockyard Port of Plymouth has now been awarded full assurance in relation to the Port Marine Safety Code</li> <li>Navalbase has transferred from Director Force Generation to Director Submarine indicating a future direction of travel from the Navalbase – KHM operation unaffected and simply administrative.</li> </ul>			
11. Water events	DKHM requested updates for the 2024 season. The Water Events Diary for 2024 is available on the KHM website ( <a href="https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/khm/plymouth/using-the-port-for-recreation/organising-events">https://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/khm/plymouth/using-the-port-for-recreation/organising-events</a> )			
12. AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cattewater seaweed project trial on disused moorings has had good results.</li> <li>Southwest regional Ports association, mooring gear demonstration to be held. Moorings officers from Southwest ports to attend.</li> </ul>			
13 Items for future meetings	Members are requested to send suggestions to TECF co-ordinator			
14. Dates of next meetings	Dates of the forthcoming PPMLC and TECF meetings were published as follows:			
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