

Minutes of the Meeting of the **BOATPARK**
COMMITTEE held at the **Town Hall** on
Monday, 12th July 2004 at **2.15p.m.**

Present:-
Councillor AH Miller – Chairman

Councillor Mrs CGainsborough
Councillor CBright (until 3.05p.m.)
Councillor Mrs JFarrow
Councillor MPratt
Councillor MTyrer

Also in attendance:-

Mr AJ Leeson
Mr ALander

Town Clerk
Swanage Fisherman's Association

1) **Apologies**

Apologies for his inability to attend the Meeting were received Councillor Agelink.
Members of the Boat Park Committee were informed that Mr Ciantar would no longer be able to represent the Boat Park Users Group. Mr Titt had been recommended to take over the role as the representative. It was RESOLVED:

That Mr Ciantar be thanked for his contribution to the Committee and that Mr Titt be invited to represent the Boat Park Users Group at future Committee meetings.

2) **Review of Minutes of Meeting held 23rd April 2004**

With reference to Minute 5) a) the Clerk reported that an order for CCTV had been placed and the camera would be installed in the near future. The Clerk also reported that the RNLi had confirmed that the Council could use their approved contractor to install the camera.

With reference to Minute 5) b) the Chairman highlighted the need to move forward with the issue of car parking at Peveril Points so that this matter could be resolved allowing the installation of a barrier control entry system to move forward. Councillor Mrs Farrow expressed her concern over security at the Boat Park and these security issues were noted. After further discussion it was PROPOSED by Councillor Pratt, SECONDED by Councillor Bright and AGREED:

That the issue of parking at Peveril Point Road be resolved by the Car Parks Best Value Review Working Group so that the barrier control entry system can be implemented.

3) **Fisherman's Huts – Review of Letting Policy**

The Boat Park Committee reviewed the letting policy as considered in Minute 12 of the Special Meeting of the Swanage Town Council to discuss Policy & Resources held on Monday 21st June 2004.

Members discussed the criteria to be met for the highest qualification for a Fisherman's Hut as determined at the aforementioned Meeting. After a lengthy discussion and upon consultation with the Swanage Fisherman's Association representative it was PROPOSED by Councillor Bright, SECONDED by Councillor Pratt and AGREED UNANIMOUSLY:

That the criteria to be met to qualify for a Fisherman's Hut be as follows:

All vessels must have a Certificate of British Registry from the Maritime and Coastguard Agency

Registered fishermen must have a current licence issued by DEFRA

Fishermen must have completed or applied to undertake the following four training courses approved by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency and

theSeaFishIndustryAuthority.
BasicSeaSurvival
FirstAid
BasicFireFightingandPrevention
Health&Safety
FishermenshouldberegisteredwiththeInlandRevenueasaself-employed
trader.

Membersfurtherconsideredthecategorisationoftenantsandapplicants.Afterabrief
discussionitwasPROPOSEDbyCouncillorBright,SECONDEDbyCouncillorPrattand
RESOLVEDUNANIMOUSLY:

Thatthefollowingcategoriesbeimplemented:
Category1-Fishermenwhofulfiltheabovecriteriaandwhoseprimary
employmentisfishing.
Category2-Fishermanwhofulfiltheabovecriteriabutfishingistheir
secondaryemployment.
Category3-Commercialboatoperators(thiscategorywouldbedealtwith
onanindividualbasis)

AfterfurtherdiscussionitwasRESOLVED:

ThattheTownClerkbegivendelegatedauthoritytoissueaFisherman'sHut
toapplicantswhofulfilthecriteriaforcategories1&2.Applicantsin
category3willbereviewedandallocatedbytheBoatParkCommittee.

ThequalificationofcurrenttenantsofthehutswasdiscussedbyMembers.Theneedto
determinethecategoryofcurrenttenantsandtoestablishanannualreviewinordertoensure
compliancewithCouncilpolicywasrecognised.Afterfurtherdiscussion,itwasPROPOSEDby
CouncillorPratt,SECONDEDbyCouncillorTyreandAGREEDUNANIMOUSLY:

ThatallpresenttenantsoftheFisherman'sHutsbeissuedwiththecriteriafor
qualificationofahutandbenotifiedthatdetailsofcompliancemustbe
receivedbytheCouncilbythe31stDecembereachyearforrenewalof
tenancyat1stAprilinthefollowingyear.Parkingpermitswouldalsobe
renewedannually.

TheClerkreportedonaletterreceivedfromtheCitizen'sAdviceBureauconcerninganenquiry
fromatenantwhohadbeenissuedwithanoticetoquit.Followingabriefdiscussionwherebyitwas
determinedthattheoccupierofhutnumberthree didnotfulfilanyofthecriteriaforthehuts,itwas
RESOLVED:

ThattheClerkreply, reaffirmingtheBoatParkCommittee'sdecisionto
issueanoticetoquit,clarifyingthatthedeisionwasbaseduponhis
inabilitytofulfilanyofthecriteria setoutbytheCouncil.

UpondiscussionofthewaitinglistfortheFisherman'sHuts,theissueofwhetheroneperson
shouldqualifyfortwohuts wasraisedwhilstotherswithoutahutremainedonthewaitinglist.
AfterabriefdiscussionitwasRESOLVED:

Thattherewouldbenoautomaticallocationofasecondhut.

4) **General Issues-Update & Review**

MrLanderquestionedwhetherthefishermenwouldbeabletoreviewtheCCTVfootage.The
Clerk statedthatCCTVwassituatedinacontrolledarea,withtheClerk,theOperationsManagerand
theEnforcementOfficerbeingallowedaccess tofootageandanyevidenceofacrime capturedwould
bemadavailabletothepolice.AnopendaywherethefishermenwouldbeabletoviewtheCCTV
wasmooted.

MrLanderreportedonthepossibilityofagrantfromDEFRAfora50%contributiontowards
thecostsofrepairingtheeasternjetty.ItwasnotedthattheTownCouncilwouldhavetomakethe

application, with the support of the Fishermen's Association. Enquiries should be made to Mr MacKenzie at DEFRA in Poole.

Mr Lander queried the storage of more than one dinghy per hut on the fisherman's slip. It was noted that only one dinghy per hut should be stored. After a brief discussion it was RESOLVED:

That tenants of the Fisherman's Huts be contacted and informed that only one dinghy per hut may be stored on the Fisherman's slip and that the hut number must be clearly marked on the dinghy.

The Chairman raised the issue of the logistics of undertaking remedial works at the Boat Park. The Clerk stated that on previous occasions boats had been temporarily stored in Broad Road car park.

5) **Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting was set for **Wednesday 4th August 2004** in the **Town Hall** at **2.15 p.m.**

The meeting closed at 3.50 p.m.
