

Minutes of the Meeting of the **BOATPARK**  
**BEST VALUE WORKING GROUP** held at the  
**Town Hall, Swanage** on **Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> May 2002**  
at 2.15pm.

Present:-

Councillor A.H. Miller – Chairman.

Councillor Mrs. G.A. Marsh

Also in attendance:-

G. Brookes

Operations Manager

A. Lander

Swanage Fishermen's Association

A.J. Leeson

Town Clerk

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for their inability to attend the Meeting were received from Councillor Suttle (Town Mayor), Councillor Mrs. Wheeldon (Deputy Mayor) and Councillor J. Roscoe.

2. **NOTES OF MEETING WITH FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION – 5<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2002.**

The following points arising from the meeting with the Fishermen's Association were noted:-

1)

**Tides**

The details of tide times were noted. These would allow the essential repair work to be undertaken.

2)

**Fenders**

The damaged fender has been removed without any requirement to replace.

3) **CCTV**

A Fishermen's Association representative was pursuing arrangements for a shared system with the RNLI.

4) **Shingle**

The reporting of excessive amounts of shingle by representatives of the Fishermen's Association are to be made directly to the Boat Park attendant.

5)

**Cleats**

The Operations Manager was awaiting receipt of special bolts. Mr. Lander offered assistance by supplying stainless steel rods.

6)

**Use of Jetty by Fishermen**

It was noted that use of the western jetty by fishermen be acknowledged.

7)

**Ladders and Poles**

It was noted that one ladder was in need of being cut off.

- 8) **Jetty Ends**  
A proposal to round off the ends of both jetties by cutting them, was being pursued.
- 9) **Fishermen's Huts**  
The Operations Manager reported details of the extent of repairs required.
- 10) **Slipway Repairs**  
There-pointing work to the fishermen's slipway has been scheduled to commence.
- 11) **Stone Groyne**  
The Operations Manager reported that the work required was more extensive than originally estimated.  
It was noted that work be deferred.
- 12) **Storage of Dinghies**  
The installation of boat rings was noted as being included in the planned winter repairs programme.
- 13) **Funding of Repairs**  
It was noted that all of the £5,000 budget had been spent on essential slipway repairs.  
The Clerk reported that he had obtained DEFRA grant application details. Mr. Lander agreed to seek clarification of the scope of DEFRA funding.
- 14) **Electricity**  
The provision of electrical points within the Boat Park was noted for consideration as part of the five year action plan.
- 15) **Car Parking Permits**  
The Clerk would arrange for the issuing of 20 permits, for allocation by the Fishermen's Association.
- 16) **Main Slipway – Yellow Line**  
It was noted that the spirit of the agreement for the use of the area denoted by the yellow line was working well. It was further noted that, in the event of stress of weather, good dialogue between the Fishermen's Association and the Council's Operations Manager was deemed essential.

3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF MEETING – 19<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2002**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2002 were noted as approved.

Arising from Minute No. 6a), it was noted that the over-sized boat that was giving cause for concern, had now been removed. The Operations Manager reported the health and safety concerns arising from boats left in the Boat Park on supports rather than on trailers.

It was AGREED:-

That the rules be reviewed to incorporate a provision that all boats be stored on trailers.

4. **GENERAL ISSUES**

a) **Repairs**

The Operations Manager reported that additional essential repairs were required to be carried out to potholes. It was noted that priority had been given to this work, with costs being met from existing budget provision.

b) **Access**

It was noted that additional wear and tear to road surfaces was being caused from general use of cars using the Boat Park as a turning area.

It was AGREED:-

That it be noted that the use of the Boat Park by the general public, without authorisation, has necessitated the need to investigate the installation of a barrier, as an option.

c) **Removal of Obsolete Materials and Equipment**

It was reported that a number of items of equipment and materials were being left in the area by the fishermen's sheds.

<b>Action:</b>	<b>Mr. Land to arrange removal of hook from hut roof, ropes from slipway and discarded boat engine.</b>
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d) **Fly tipping**

The Operations Manager reported the growing problem of fly tipping in and around the skip. Concern was expressed at the additional cost to the Council of removing these items.

It was AGREED:-

To include the skip within the area of surveillance by CCTV.

<b>Action:</b>	<b>Mr. Land to alert members of the Fishermen's Association to the problems regarding the improper use of the skip by persons unknown.</b>
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5. **ACTION PLAN**

The general requirements for inclusion within a five year action plan were noted.

It was AGREED:-

To request the Operations Manager to compile a

five year Action Plan for consideration at the next Meeting.

6. **FISHERMEN'S SHUTS**

The Chairman reported on the need to address the issues regarding the tenancy agreements and other matters related to the provision of fishermen's huts.

It was AGREED:-

To convene a site meeting to inspect the use and condition of the fishermen's shuts.

7. **RNLI CAR PARKING**

The Clerk updated the meeting on arrangements for the provision of car parking by RNLI personnel. It was noted that all efforts be made to ensure access to Peveril Point by emergency vehicles, including fire engines.

It was AGREED:-

That use of the fishermen's car park be allocated for emergency use by the RNLI.

8. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was agreed that the next meeting be held on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> June  
2002  
at 9.30 a.m. at the Boat Park prior to re-convening at the Town Hall.

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