

CQBHA/MDL Meeting 16th May 2008

Present Jon Eads – M D MDL
 Dave Wilson – Marina Manager
 Jonathan Saunders – Chair CQBHA

1. Outstanding items

All items had been resolved

2. Current MDL activities of note

Dockmasters are on the pontoons for the late afternoon bridges on Saturdays and Sundays from June to September. Call up on Ch 80 if you need a hand.

I would be interested to hear your feedback about this.

38000 litre petrol tank installed!

3. Club House

The meeting took place in the Boat House (ex club house) which has undergone a refit costing tens of thousands of pounds. Toilets are due for refurbishment this weekend.

As I have had no feedback about the club recently I would be interested to hear your views.

4. Moving Weather

Now installed in the shower block.

I would be keen to hear your feedback on its usefulness.

5. MDL Plans for later this year and next

Boat Ashore packages - with discount – will run for any period from October to Mid January. 6 week packages will begin from then. Details out later this year.

Boats ashore under 28' will be handled by the Dry Stack team. During your ashore time you can get a launch and recover for a small cost if we have a good day for going out.

The now 6 jet ski berths which have been sold to berthholders and more will be purchased if there is demand.

5. Poole Bridge

The last Bridge Operating Board meeting was discussed. Key points were :-

Brian Murphy – new Harbour Master – is the new chair.

A working group has been set up to establish bridge protocols. Jon Eads passed on training plans and guidelines used at MDL's Hythe (locked) marina – a similar facility to the new bridges set up.

Jon Eads pointed out the Harbour Master's responsibilities under the Corporate Homicide Act for incidents that occur at the bridges.

Special Lifts – There is discussion about special lifts for return from the fireworks – potentially 2315 – and importantly for us special lifts for rallies, nothing firm yet though. However there are also plans for 0530 and 0630 hrs lifts so there will be no on demand lifts between 0500 and 0800 hrs.

The working group above has been tasked to consider the VMS sign near Cobb's Quay and in the vicinity of the Little Channel.

Marine Incidents – in the vicinity of the bridge are now being recorded – please pass reports of these to me and the Harbour Master.

Our views on the 1.30 lift (overwhelmingly saying it would not be useful but suggesting an 1130 hrs and 1730 hrs lift might be more appropriate will be passed on).

Issues with delayed bridge lifts recently (apparently being due to being forgotten) will be questioned.

7. Marina Issues

A joint working party has been set up with MDL to look at parking issues on busy days. Roger Squires is leading for CQBHA.

As ever if you have any comments on this note or other matters please contact me at chairman@cqbha.co.uk

Jonathan Saunders
Chair Cobbs Quay Bertholders Association
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