



**Minutes of Meeting of Cruden Bay Harbour Management Committee  
At the Village Hall, Cruden Bay at 1930 hrs on Monday 19 October 2009**

**Present:**

Hugh McIntyre - Chairman  
Gordon MacKay  
Peter Abenheimer  
Peter Campbell – Secretary  
Bob Lewis – Harbourmaster  
Garry Maclean  
Bob Lewis (jnr)  
Sam Coull  
Derek Thompson

**1. Introduction:**

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and opened the meeting.

**2. Apologies:**

Apologies were received on behalf of George Stroud and Scott Buchan.

**3. Minutes of Previous Meeting and Rolling Actions:**

The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as an accurate record of the meeting. The rolling actions were dealt with as per the attached rolling action schedule.

**4. Financial Update:**

There was nothing significant to report in relation to the finances, with all outstanding invoices having been settled. The Harbourmaster produced money which had been removed from the donation box to allow it to be banked. This included donations being provided by the owners of mobile homes visiting the harbour and residing overnight. Monies for a late berthing fee were also provided to the Chairman for banking.

**5. Business Case:**

The Secretary reported he had completed an application form for funding from the Community Asset Fund to assist in commissioning a Consultant to



prepare a business case. He reported the application had gone before the relevant committee on 15 October 2009 when the sum of £2500 had been awarded to the harbour committee. Reid Hutchison from Aberdeenshire Council had intimated that a detailed brief was required before the money could be released and he agreed to assist in its preparation.

Sam Coull suggested it was important the DVD previously prepared, reflected the same sentiment as the business case and they both complimented each other. This was agreed.

The Secretary was asked to make contact with Reid Hutchison and progress a meeting to prepare such a brief. Thereafter the work could be quickly put out to tender with the possibility of completion of the business case by Christmas.

**ACTION – Secretary to arrange meeting with Reid Hutchison and other members to progress the business case brief**

#### **6. Repairs:**

A general discussion took place regarding the current status of the harbour and the obvious deterioration of the east and west piers. It was agreed that the deterioration was ongoing and it was important that this was professionally captured to allow factual information to be included in the business case. The Chairman indicated that Arch Henderson had previously surveyed the harbour at no cost and the committee asked that they be asked to refresh the original survey to reflect the current state of damage to the harbour walls.

**ACTION – Chairman to contact Arch Henderson and ask for a further survey to be carried out**

#### **7. Harbourmasters Report:**

The Harbourmaster indicated the season was almost at a close and the majority of boats had been removed from the harbour. He indicated there was a requirement to progress the electric power feed to the hard standing area as it was causing inconvenience. The Chairman indicated this was in hand and he was in continuing discussion with Scottish Power.

A general discussion took place regarding berthing arrangements and the possibility of some change. The committee were of the opinion that progress had been made and the rules were now clear with little or no room for ambiguity. There was no appetite for going backwards and the rules would be enforced unless there was a compelling reason which the committee would have to sanction.



The issue of the storage of fuel in the sheds was discussed. Garry MacLean wanted it clarified that this was not in relation to banning fuel storage, but merely to know which shed owners were storing fuel so this could be identified to the emergency services if ever a situation arose where such information was required. It was agreed this was sensible thing to do and this together with clarification on shed owners liability, will be included in the new rules forwarded to shed and boat owners in the new season.

**ACTION – Secretary to include further information in the rules covering fuel storage and owner liability.**

#### **8. AOB:**

Gordon Mackay indicated that the update on the application to the Village SOS fund will be sometime in November and it may be that there will be some news on this at the next meeting.

The Secretary confirmed he had spoken with Gavin Thain regarding his proposal for a larger shed and passed on the instructions regarding this to him. Gavin had indicated he was going to hold on this meantime and would consider his options going into the new season.

The Harbourmaster indicated that a particular boat owner had been less than diligent in his attention to his vessel over the season, with him having to intervene on many occasions to maintain its seaworthiness. He asked that the individual concerned be phoned and asked to remove the vessel from the harbour. The Secretary agreed to make contact with the owner.

**ACTION – Secretary to make contact with the boat owner concerned.**

#### **9. Date & Time of Next Meeting:**

The next meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 16 November 2009 in the Village Hall, Cruden Bay.

