

Carrick Castle Boat Club

Celebrating 32 years of service to its members since 1989

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Minutes

of Committee Meeting on Thursday 20th May 2021 at 18.30 hrs
at Cruach House, Carrick Castle

- 1) A Welcome by the Secretary and a Chair to be elected.
The Secretary welcomed the committee members to the meeting in person and asked for a member to become Chair. There were no offers but Scott Black said he would chair this meeting until a Chair was elected. Those in attendance were Douglas Locke (DL), Secretary; Jim Graham, (JG), Moorings Officer; Scott Black (SB), Treasurer; Vonna Cowper-Smith (VC-S), Member & Jules Cadie (JC), Member.
- 2) Approval of the last Committee Minutes of 29/10/2020.
The minutes of the last committee meeting on 29th October 2020 were approved, proposed by JG, seconded by SB and signed by SB as temporary Chair.
- 3) Chair's report will be given at the AGM.
SB said that the Covid-19 Pandemic had curtailed activity and there was little to report as far as he was aware.
The last Chair, Jai Cowper-Smith (JC-S) resigned in November 2020 and this position is currently vacant. A report on 2020 will be given to members at the AGM on 14th June 2021 by the Secretary.
- 4) Secretary's Report, including membership, web site and Facebook.
DL reported that the membership was currently 33, up one since 2020 (2 had left and 3 had joined). DL said that the website was up to date and Facebook as well and the insurance had been extended by 3 months, free.
- 5) Treasurer's Report including current financial position and draft accounts for 2020.
SB presented the accounts to the committee and said that the bank balance at the 31st December 2020 was £5,032.08. with the surplus for 2020 being £2,054.11 and had been checked by DL & JG. The accounts were approved for approval by the members at the AGM.

- 6) Mooring Officer's Report including an update on usage of and payment for the three Visitors' Moorings for 2020 and current usage in 2021 to date.

JG said that the 3 visitors mooring had been well used from July last year once Covid-19 regulations permitted vessel activity again. It turned out to be a record year of usage with 103 visits earning the club £1,020 in fees with most paying by PayPal using the Wi-Fi service. DL said he would look into the cost of offering a QR code as an alternative payment method. SB suggested removal of the CCBC Cash Box for VMs. VCS, JC & JG agreed.

- 7) Update on current numbers of members who have requested their moorings be serviced in spring of 2021.

JG advised that 27 members had asked for their moorings to be serviced this year and 2 new ones to be laid.. He expected Neil Cunningham to commence work on the moorings from Monday 24th May. He said that there were now 43 moorings in the club's area of which 3 were approved as private moorings. The club's licence is for 50 moorings so there are just 7 vacancies left.

- 8) Update on the steps project.

JG reported that the replacement steps were now about 90% complete and would be finished in the next couple of weeks.

- 9) Annual subscription charge to be put to the next AGM for approval in 2021 to be £15.00 pa for 2022. This was agreed.

- 10) Discuss the options raised at the last committee meeting for the future of the club as detailed in the last committee meeting Minutes of 29th October 2020 and SWOT analysis.

SB suggested that the future of the club and the SWOT analysis be discussed at a separate meeting. DL & JG had said they had been wishing to retire for over a year now but DL would remain in post until other members could be found to take over his position. JG said that he would stand down at the AGM but would continue as care taker of the role until a new Moorings Officer is found or consider sharing the duties. DL said that the Job Descriptions were shown on the website's Contacts page.

- 11) Any other business?

The committee members present were asked to ask other members if they would be willing to join the committee and take on an active roll in the club.

- 12) Date for next committee meeting and the AGM in 2021.

The AGM will be on Monday 14th June 2021 at 6.30 pm by free Zoom. It will be limited to 40 minutes including time for the talk. John Kent, Community Marine Officer for the Clyde Area, Crown Estate Scotland has agreed to give the talk on Crown Estate Scotland and an update on mooring activities on the Clyde post Covid-19.