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Minutes of a meeting of the **'DINGHY PARK JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE'** which was held on **Tuesday 25th January 2022 commencing at 7pm in The Scout Hut.**

Present:- Rosemary Thew (Chairman), Iain Wolfe, Alban Donohoe, Alan Collett, David Fairbrass, Steve Roch, Peter Roe & Neil Thompson. Also Victoria Egan on behalf of The National Trust.

Clerk:- Tracey Bayfield

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The member of the public informed the members, that they will be recording the meeting.

1. **Apologies for absence** were **accepted** from John Seymour. **Resolved** that in his absence, Rosemary Thew is appointed as Chairman.
2. There were no **Declarations of Interest** from any committee member.
3. **Resolved** that the **Minutes** of the meeting held on Tuesday 31st August 2021 are signed as a true record.
4. **Public Participation** in relation to any item on the agenda.
 - As a resident of Blakeney, I would like to see the dinghy park continue its traditional use as a recreational area, not a car park and preserve Blakeney's dinghy park for the use not just of the sailors, rowers, kayakers, picnickers, but for everyone, including, most importantly the visitors, not just their cars.
5. **Resolved** to defer the use of the dinghy park as an **Overflow Car Park** ahead of next season following the recent site visit, until JS comes back with quotes.
6. Items **resolved** as follows;
 - **Winter permits** - working well, no need to change – 5 issued.
 - **Abandoned boats** – 2 kayaks (one is numbered 532 and the owner has been emailed) and 1 dinghy trolley. If not claimed, then there will be 1 kayak for sale and the trolley is to be disposed of.
 - **Breaches** – We must enforce breaches in the 2022 season and encourage registration. At the beginning of the season, areas for the BSC safety boats (x2), catamarans (x6) and CRAB skiffs (x2) to be marked and reserved until 1st April 2022. Any other boats placed here will be moved. A notice will be erected which reads; *"This area is reserved for the until 1st April. Any other boats left in this area will be moved to elsewhere on the dinghy park. Any padlocks used, may be cut off."*

- **Boat disposal/skip** – no skip necessary.
- **Winter works & grass cutting** – VE has agreed to see if the NT can cut the grass ahead of the new season, as always use to be the case. If not, then we look to other options, and if need be we pay for this work.

Approach A&G H, and ask if they would be happy to assist with path clearing again this year and provide the tractor and again, we are happy to offer payment for this work.

- **Regulations** – We will continue to encourage registration and will police this as already agreed. A line will be added regarding the spaces reserved until 1st April and we will send out the regulations to all registered users ahead of the 2022 season.
- **Notices** – Ask JS to organise the updated overlays for the signs where agreed.
- **2022 Season** – Continue to ask for donations, but with a comment that a fixed price may be necessary in the future. Point out the low level of donations received during 2021. Must continue to discuss fees throughout the 2022 season ahead of 2023.

Kayaks – Neil is happy to head up a working party to realign the chains east west where appropriate. We will need additional stakes, chain and shackles. Neil will confirm date and liaise.

- **Budget update** - £3348.43 available. So far in 2021/22 just £460 has been received in donations, despite the park being full to the brim. In the previous 2 years it was around £1,450. Going forward; the donation/registration form; to have 2 new questions; i) Are you a member of Blakeney Sailing Club, ii) Are you a member of Blakeney Harbour Association, and for those already registered, include this as a question in the next mailshot.

7. There was no additional **Correspondence** in relation to the dinghy park.
8. There were no other **Management Issues** not covered above which members would like to be included on the next agenda.
9. Date of the **Next Meeting** will be confirmed in due course.

Meeting closed at 8.12pm.

Chairman _____