

Minutes of a meeting of the '**BLAKENEY DINGHY PARK JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**' which was held on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 5:30pm in the Parish Office.**

**Present:-** John Seymour (Chairman), Steve Roch, Rod Jeffreys, David Fairbrass, Richard Baughan, Rosemary Thew & also Victoria Egan & Tracey Sizeland (N/T)

**Clerk:-** Tracey Bayfield      **Public:-** 0      **Did not attend:-** Ian Wolfe & Neil Thompson

1. **Apologies** for absence were ***accepted*** from: Alban Donohoe.
2. There were no **Declarations of Interest** from committee members.
3. ***Resolved*** that the **Minutes** of the meeting held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025 are to be signed as a true record.
4. **Public Participation** – No public present.

*Tracey and Victoria from The National Trust arrived.*

5. The following standing items were ***resolved***;

**Registration tags & instructions** – All working well.

**Abandoned/removed boats** – 2 advertised currently, with viewing to take place on 15<sup>th</sup> March (as advertised) with the deadline for sealed bids being 28<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm.

- *We hereby delegate to the Clerk to open any sealed bids received, and offer to the highest tender.*

**Other breaches** – (Offenders) None currently, outstanding issues all now dealt with.

**Boat disposal/skip/Auction** – Date to be confirmed in due course.

**Regulations** - updates as agreed in minutes will be reflected in the regulations and signage to be amended as needed.

- *Owners needing a trolley to launch the kayak/canoe may do so providing the trolley is no wider or longer than the kayak/canoe. The Dinghy Park Committee will ensure this condition is followed correctly.*

**Notices** – For the coming season, we will simply cordon space for the Blakeney Sailing Club safety boats.

**2025/26 Season** – The pre-season grass cuts and edge clearing of the concrete footpath, has been completed by Secret Gardens. All members expressed how pleased they were with the work undertaken, noting that the paths in particular looked very good.

**Kayaks & chains** – *Ratified by all*; Simon Strong (Glaven Landscapes) has been undertaking the work at the park; chains given by Blakeney Harbour Association, stakes from North Norfolk Engineering. DP members very pleased with work.

**Budget update** – Up to date figures to be presented at the next meeting, however members were advised that no expenditure had occurred since the previous meeting.

**Liability** – Nothing to consider.

**Winter permits** - The draft application form as presented, was fully approved for use going forward.

**CCTV** – In the absence of Neil Thompson; members asked the National Trust representatives if they were able to provide any update on the request from the Blakeney Harbour Association to install CCTV on the BHA buoy cited just outside the dinghy park on the Carnser.

V.E. advised that she personally cannot recall receiving any such request, and asked that the BHA resend the original email to her asap. At the same time, she advised the meeting that The National Trust have strict protocols around CCTV.

Members present expressed their dismay at what they see as a lack of understanding and disinterest by the N/T over a recommendation made by the police that the CCTV proposal would provide a reasonable safeguard against future thefts from the area.

6. **Correspondence** in relation to the dinghy park – It was noted that a boat named 'Fozzie' had washed up on N/T land on high tides. No one knew who owns this boat, and so the National Trust would follow their internal procedures.
7. There were no other **Management Issues** not covered above which members asked to be included on the next agenda.
8. **Next Meeting – Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2025: 5pm site visit and back to Parish Office for 5:30pm**

*Meeting closed at 6:20pm.*

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_