

# YMDDIRIEDOLAETH HARBWR CAERNARFON CAERNARFON HARBOUR TRUST

MONTHLY (Hybrid) MEETING - 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2023

D. Pritchard Jones (Chairman – CM) C. Roberts I. Thomas B. Davies N. Evans B. Barry C. Jones	
Malcolm Jones	
Iwan Huws	
Mr D. O'Neill Ms J. Jones	
<u>NOTES</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
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#### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

01/23 C1 New position

02/23 C2 New position

03/23 C3 New Position

04/23 C8 New Position

05/23 SWM back on station in new position

06/23 Grampian castle seasonal buoy on station.

07/23 SWM correction.

08/23 Llanddwyn NE Rock buoy missing from station.

09/23 Gate Failure Dock Victoria.

10/23 Gate not operating due to scheduled maintenance. (1 tide)

11/23 OCRDA Event

12/23 C1 unlit

13/23 C1 Lit

14/23 SE Rock Buoy Off Station

15/23 SE Rock Buoy on Station

16/23 SWM temporary discontinuance

17/23 C1 Off Station

18/23 C2 Off Station

19/23 C1 On Station

20/23 C2 On Station

Mussel Bank AtoN was changed for a larger buoy, but unfortunately the buoy developed an issue and was found partially submerged. The buoy has been recovered and is being repaired. It appears that the buoy was struck. Mussel Bank AtoN will be replaced with a larger buoy during the pre-season inspections 2024.

HM shows the Trust a table detailing the frequency of changes to NtoM's since 2014. CJ asks why the great increase in 2021. HM explains that it was due to dredging and channel movements. HM informs the Trust that inspections are carried out bi-annually and brings up an inspection sheet on screen. The number of buoys inspected per trip ranges from one to six depending on tide, weather and location of buoys. The inspections form the biggest part of the PMSC. BD asks about the consistency of the Dive Crew members who inspect moorings. HM replies that the same individuals do not always form part of the dive crew which should be factored for consideration. CR says that it's good to know how the buoys work and are maintained. BD asks if the buoys are monitored on PINAR. HM replies that the system has now been taken superseded to LARS (Trinity House).

#### MOORINGS.

Inspections will be undertaken in the leadup to the 2024 season. Plans for the inspection of the moorings at Y Felinheli are being made, Suitable tides for the work are 3-5/02/2024 or 19-21/02/2024.

All Plas Menai and Pals Newydd moorings will be recovered in the coming weeks. Schedules are in place to undertake clearing work in the River Seiont. There are a number of trees upstream of the moorings. Although they do not pose an immediate danger to moored vessels the area does pose a risk to navigating vessels. Vessels that have not displayed this year's annual permit will be removed over the winter months.



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#### PILOTAGE.

No Acts of Pilotage in November. HM reminds the Trust that he is still a trainee Pilot and that he needs the Trust to authorise him / determine when he will be qualified. HM shows the Trust the Pilotage Regulations 2023 on screen. IT notes that there are limited opportunities for pilotage experience through Caernarfon Bar and the Swellies due to all the paying traffic being North end of the Straits.

#### VESSELS.

Both Seiont V and Foryd are afloat and ready for service.

## CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS.

The **Harbour Office** will be closed from the 22nd through until the 2nd of January inclusive.

**Victoria Dock** will be closed from the 22nd through until the 4th of January inclusive.

The Dock can be staffed at short notice for any Berth Holder that wishes to sail over the festive period.

END OF HARBOUR MASTERS REPORT.

### Correspondence

Correspondence received regarding the review of Marine Licences in Wales. Our statutory powers as a Harbour Authority usually over rule exemptions. Or powers are protected and can be expanded.

#### **Other Matters**

No other matters.

### A.O.B

No other business.

END OF HYBRID MEETING.

Next Meeting of Trustees to discuss <u>PMSC ONLY</u> will be held Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024, at 10am.

Next Monthly Hybrid Meeting of the Trustees will be held on Wednesday the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024, at 10am.