

## **Port Edgar Marina - Berth Holders Association**

### **Minutes of Committee Meeting held at 7 pm on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2011 at Port Edgar.**

1. Attendance: Frank Pullen ( Chairman)  
Murray Carmichael (Vice-Chairman)  
Colin Scott (Hon Treasurer)  
Pete Sykes (Dinghy Rep)  
Ken McLeod ( Power Craft Rep)  
John Laurie ( Membership Sec)
  
2. Apologies: Brian Smellie, Doug Ross & Karl Weibye.
  
3. Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> June 2011 were approved.
  
4. Report from a Meeting of the “Project Group” held on 21<sup>st</sup> June set up to consider the options for the future of Port Edgar Marina following the recent announcement by Edinburgh Leisure.

FP and BS, as BHA representatives, attended this group of 12 people, under the chairmanship of Terry Kirchin. FP stated that this discussion is available to be read in his blog on the website (NOT YET it isn't) He had been charged with getting copies of Edinburgh Leisure accounts for the last 2 years from EL. He has passed these to CS and the “Project Group” treasurer for their advice. He has also obtained a satellite view of the site and made a listing of the buildings, their occupants and state of preservation. The Group is to invite representatives from South Queensferry Community Council, and local businesses to join them at future meetings. Three notes of interest from outside groups have been registered with the council; however no information will be available until after

the next Council meeting in September. The next Group meeting will be on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August and Frank hopes to have comments from BHA members before this.

In discussion it was felt that restoration of the marina was a formidable proposition. All buildings would need to be demolished and underground services replaced. There were no plans and anything from live ordnance and asbestos pollution may be found.

## 5. Matters Arising

- a) Membership Renewal: Adam has promised that 2012 applications will be attached to the berthing dues form as an “opt out” option. JL reported that we now had 104 members
- b) Weather Station: The Chairman reported that this was progressing and there had been a meeting with Forth Ports Ltd to discuss the use of their radar building and telephone cable for the installation.
- c) Pontoon Maintenance: This is now progressing satisfactorily.
- d) Dredging: this is being done on an *ad hoc* basis due to recurrent problems with Thumper..
- e) Notice Board: This is now installed. Keys available from the marina office. Agreed that we should spend £28.00 having a BHA label professionally designed for it.
- f) Gangway: The child protection mesh is still to be attached.
- g) Beamer Lighthouse. Agreed that we should try to get this rebuilt in Port Edgar and united with its original lamp which is in PEYC.
- h) Pressure washing of pontoons is progressing but the fingers are not being done as, apparently, it sprays muck onto yachts.
- i) Transport Scotland. Agreed to invite them to provide an update as promised at a meeting in October. PS will find a suitable date with them. Also have an Update on marina development from Terry Kirchin as part of a member’s social evening.  
**Action PS & FP**
- j) Tyre Barrier upgrade. This is most unlikely to happen under present management and there is no real possibility of getting the Bridge contractors to do it for us. They plan to make their own harbour on the west side of the west breakwater.
- k) Marina charges. Agreed that EL should keep them at 2011 levels as there has been no capital expenditure and staff salaries have been frozen.  
**Action FP**

- l) Toilets outside shed 4 These are still not back in action. **FP to pursue this**
6. Chairman's Report: FP had nothing further to report
7. Financial Report: The Hon. Treasurer reported on the current financial situation of the Association. Following the letter to berth holders we have had several new members and the income from renewals received. The Bank Balance currently stands at £664.55
8. AOCB Nil
12. Date of next Meeting: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November