

Minute

Harbour Authority Sub-committee

Tuesday, 30 January 2024, 14:00.

Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Place, Kirkwall.



Present

Councillors David Dawson, Gillian Skuse, Graham A Bevan, P Lindsay Hall, Ivan A Taylor and Heather N Woodbridge.

Present via remote link (Microsoft Teams)

- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.

Clerk

- Katy Russell-Duff, Committees Officer.

In Attendance

- James Buck, Head of Marine Services, Transportation and Harbour Master.
- Karen Bevilacqua, Service Manager (Legal Services).
- Hazel Flett, Service Manager (Governance).
- Shonagh Merriman, Service Manager (Corporate Finance).

In Attendance via remote link (Microsoft Teams)

- Gareth Waterson, Corporate Director for Enterprise and Sustainable Regeneration.
- Paul Olvhoj, Business Development Manager.

Declarations of Interest

- Councillor Graham Bevan – Item 3.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson – Item 3.

Chair

- Councillor David Dawson.

1. Harbour Authority – Annual Performance Report

After consideration of a report by the Corporate Director for Enterprise and Sustainable Regeneration, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Business Development Manager, the Sub-committee:

Scrutinised the Annual Performance Report in respect of the Harbour Authority for the operating period 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023, attached as Appendix 1 to the report by the Corporate Director for Enterprise and Sustainable Regeneration, and obtained assurance.

2. Exclusion of Public

On the motion of Councillor David Dawson, seconded by Councillor Heather N Woodbridge, the Sub-committee resolved that the public be excluded for the remainder of the meeting, as the business to be considered involved the disclosure of exempt information of the class described in the relevant paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended.

3. Proposed Harbour Charges

Councillor Graham A Bevan declared an interest in this item, his connection being that a close family member was employed in an industry which was liable to incur harbour charges, and was not present during discussion thereof.

Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson declared an interest in this item, her connection being that her spouse was the owner of a creel fishing boat, and therefore liable to incur harbour charges, and was not present during discussion thereof.

Under section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, the public had been excluded from the meeting for this item on the grounds that it involved the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 9 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

After consideration of a report by the Corporate Director for Enterprise and Sustainable Regeneration, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Head of Marine Services, Transportation and Harbour Master, the Sub-committee:

Resolved to **recommend to the Council** that the Orkney Islands Council Harbour Authority Schedule of Charges, attached as Appendix 1 to this Minute, be approved, to take effect from 1 April 2024.

The above constitutes the summary of the Minute in terms of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 section 50C(2) as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985.

4. Conclusion of Meeting

At 14:38 the Chair declared the meeting concluded.

Signed: David Dawson.