

Management Committee

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Weymouth Harbour Business Update

For Information

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Statutory Authority:

W&P Borough Full Council as Statutory Harbour Authority

Purpose of Report

- 1 To cover the steps taken so far and plans for the future to mitigate the loss of the income from Condor Ferries and to strive for a balanced harbour budget.
- 1.1 This report is forwarded to Management Committee by the Harbour Management Board who fully endorsed it.

Recommendations

- 2.1 To endorse the report at Appendix 1.

Reason for Decision

- 3.1 To present the measures being taken to improve the financial performance of the harbour without a ferry service and provide an opportunity to consider options for the future.
- 3.2 This work is very much ongoing with Fisher Associates providing assistance alongside the Town Centre Masterplan projects to determine a long term strategy for the harbour.

Background and Reason Decision Needed

- 4.1 There is a need to outline the measures taken to date, since the end of the Condor operation and negotiations with a potential replacement ferry service last year, in order for a sustainable financial position to be secured at minimal or no cost to the Borough Council.

- 4.2 The Harbour Management Board has the responsibility to manage the Harbour finances including budget setting, budget monitoring and the final year end outturn. The harbour budget is a part of the of the overall corporate budget process.

Implications

- 5.1 As covered in the Report at Appendix 1.

Consultation and Engagement

- 6.1 There is constant consultation with harbour users both formally through the Harbour Staff and their actions, the Harbour Consultative Group and Harbour Management Board.

Appendices

- 7.1 Appendix 1 – Weymouth Harbour Business Update.

Background Papers

- 8.1 A Business Plan for Weymouth Harbour 2014 – 2019 and beyond.

Footnote

Issues relating to financial, environmental, and economic and equalities implications have been considered and any information relevant to the decision is included within the report.

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