Minutes of the Harbour Committee

2 December 2024

-: Present :-

Councillor Strang (Chairman)

Councillors Carter, Fox, Penny, Twelves (Vice-Chairwoman) and Foster

7. Apologies

It was reported that, in accordance with the wishes of the Conservative Group, the membership of the Committee had been amended for this meeting by including Councillor Foster instead of Councillor Fellows.

8. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of the Harbour Committee held on 9 September 2024 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

9. Harbour Committee Work Programme 2025/2026

Members noted the Work Programme for 2025/2026.

10. Tor Bay Harbour Budget Monitoring 2024-2025

Members received a report which provided an update on the overall budgetary position for Tor Bay Harbour Authority as at September 2024 compared against the budget approved at Council on 22 February 2024.

11. Harbour Budget 2025/2026 and Schedule of Fees and Charges

The Harbour Committee considered a report which set out the Tor Bay Harbour Authority Budget for 2025/2026 and the Schedule of Fees and Charges.

Members noted that the Interim Director of Tor Bay Harbour Authority would be completing a full review and inspection of the Harbour assets, infrastructure and operating procedure in early 2025, to inform a costed 10 year maintenance and replacement programme and future budgeting strategy for Tor Bay Harbour Authority.

Members requested that the Deputy Director of Finance provide a breakdown of the General Fund Contribution in future budget monitoring reports.

Resolved:

That the Cabinet be recommended to include the proposed balanced budget for the Harbour Authority 2025/26 and the associated Schedule of charges, dues and fees 2025/26, as set out at Appendices 1 and 2 of the submitted report, in its draft budget proposals to Council.

12. Tor Bay Harbour Operational Moorings Policy 2025/2026

The Committee received the submitted report on annual the review of the Tor Bay Harbour Operational Moorings Policy 2025/2026. It was noted that there were no changes to the previous year's Policy 2024/25, that had been approved at the Harbour Committee on 4 December 2023.

13. Torquay/Paignton and Brixham Harbour Liaison Forums

The Minutes of the meetings of the Torquay, Paignton and Brixham Harbour Liaison Forums held on 21 November 2024 and 22 November 2024 respectively were noted.

Chairman