

VDBHA Update

On 16/4/18 the VDBHA Chair (PH) and Vice Chair (JOS) attended a meeting with Gwynedd Council and Caernarfon Harbour Trust. The following points were discussed;

1. Recent survey maps of Victoria Dock will be produced on two levels, one for the VDBHA website and the other for display in the Dockmaster's office. These will be available imminently.
2. Dredging; Natural Resources Wales have responded to Gwynedd Council's submission to undertake emergency dredging in Victoria Dock with confirmation that a formal marine licence is not required. Gwynedd Council are meeting with NRW and dredging contractors next week with a view to beginning work before end of May. The dredger is available and the logistics of its transfer from Conwy under discussion. There is an intent to initially dredge the main thoroughfares. GC aspire to complete the dredging work within 12 months.
3. Gate; This is currently operating. Further work will be undertaken to maximise its stability.
4. Parking permits; existing parking permits are valid until receipt of the updated version. Berth holders will not receive parking tickets as an application for renewal of the permits is already in place.
5. Events; Parking arrangements for the Food Festival on 12th May 2018 and the Power Boat weekend 18-20th May 2018 are being organised by GC and CHT. The Dockmaster will advise berth holders in advance on parking areas being made available during these weekends.
6. Berth holder Agreement; CHT are reviewing the Victoria Dock Terms and Conditions and considering a Service Agreement for berth holders.

Communications between VDBHA Committee, Gwynedd Council and CHT are moving forward positively. There will continue to be regular ongoing contact between all parties. Berth holders are understandably frustrated at the lack of information which has been forthcoming regarding the dredging matter. However, independent attempts to source information from NRW and Gwynedd Council have caused some confusion. It would therefore be appreciated if berth holders addressed queries via the committee in the first instance. Thank you for your patience and cooperation in this matter.

Pam Hughes
VDBHA Chair