

Minutes of a Meeting of the ABERYSTWYTH Harbour Users Consultative Committee held remotely via video-conference on Thursday 30 October 2025

Representing Ceredigion County Council: Councillor Shelly Childs (Chairman)
Councillors Endaf Edwards

Officers in Attendance: Owen Morgan, Katy Spain, Robyn Beresford, Dana Jones

Harbour Users: Meurig Lewis, Huw Roberts, Chris Seal, Martin Wood, Steve Webb

(7.00pm – 7:25pm)

1. **Apologies**
None.

2. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 27 March 2025**
It was AGREED that minutes of the meeting held on the 27 March 2025 as a true record.

Matters arising
None.

3. **Harbour Services Update**

- Calm Waters newsletter sent to all harbour users.
- Two new seasonal assistants (Chloe Roberts, Eve Rees) had joined the team; both may return next year.
- Robyn Beresford had been appointed as Harbour Works Leader following Chase Anders departure
- New harbour office unit installed; currently only had electricity; awaiting utilities and plumbing; hoped to be usable before Christmas.
- Port Marine Safety Code updated April; compliance exercise scheduled January–March.
- Reminder to use clean language on airways when using VHF radio.

4. **Redacted Mooring Waiting List**
It was AGEED to note the mooring list as presented.

5. **General Maintenance and Cleanliness**

- Aids to navigation repainted, including light at wooden jetty and port/starboard lateral marks.
- Leading lights to be established at Pen Yr Angor Road for improved harbour entry this financial year.
- Stones on the weir reinstated to address harbour issues.
- Central pontoon project out to tender; procurement process ongoing. Tender open until 20 November; funding secured, contractor selection pending.
- Lifeboat station requested clarification on post-recovery placement of casualty vessels. It was reported that there was a requirement to notify 'harbour services' before entering harbour was unclear; emergency situations may

prevent advance notice. Guidance needed for vessel placement to minimise disruption; previous use of marina fuel berth now restricted. It was agreed to notify harbour authority as soon as reasonably practicable, especially for pollution or large wreck risks and that a meeting would be arranged with the harbour authority, marina manager, and stakeholders to establish clear guidelines and contingency plans.

6. Issues raised by Harbour Users

None.

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