

**Present:** Cllr. Goldie  
Non-Council Member: Mr B Parmenter

**In the Chair:** Cllr Clare – Vice-Chairman

**Clerk:** Michelle Curtis

**1. Apologies for Absence**

There were apologies for absence from Cllrs Plater, St Joseph, and Mr Eastham.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Goldie disclosed a personal interest, as she owns The Marina.

Cllr Clare disclosed a personal interest, as he owns a boat in The Marina.

Mr Parmenter disclosed a personal interest, as he is the Secretary for Tollesbury Fairways Committee and is a member of Tollesbury Sailing Club and Tollesbury Cruising Club.

**3. Public Forum**

There were no members of the public present.

**4. Minutes**

**Resolved:** The Minutes of the Woodrolfe Hard Committee Meeting held on 14th July 2023 be approved as a true record of the meeting. Unanimously agreed.

The Vice-Chairman signed the minutes.

Noticeboard – The Clerk reported that Cllr Plater has trimmed the pinboard for the noticeboard.

The Clerk reported that FACT had cut down the posts in the vicinity of the sluice. Cllr Goldie believes there are additional posts which need cutting down.

**Action:** Cllr Goldie to supply details to the Clerk.

Landscape Recovery – Mr Parmenter confirmed that he had spoken to Atkinson Farm, who confirmed that they would like to sign up as a landowner in a large group for (Landscape Recovery) for landscape restoration.

**5. Signage**

The Committee discussed the current signage concerning boats and swimmers using the same area.

**Resolved:** to purchase new advisory signage with wording as follows: BEWARE, BOATS AND SWIMMERS, PROCEED WITH CAUTION

**Action:** Clerk to obtain a quotation for the new signage.

The Committee agreed to display an advisory notice for swimmers.

**Action:** The Vice-Chairman and the Clerk will prepare the notice, which will be distributed to the Committee for review.

The large 4 Knot sign was still to be installed.

**Action:** Clerk to speak to Mr Eastham regarding the installation and to request that the smaller 4 Knot sign be relocated on the Marina's fence.

## 6. Improvement Works

Mr Parmenter advised that a few dinghies on the Hard required removal.

**Action:** Clerk to prepare notices to be placed on the dinghies by Mr Parmenter to advise Hard users that if the fees are not paid, the dinghies will be removed.

**Action:** Clerk to also place a notice on the Parish Council Facebook Page.

Mr Parmenter advised that he had obtained some costings for moving the buoys.

**Action:** Mr Parmenter will forward costings to the Clerk, who will prepare a proposal for the Committee to review. Once approved by the Committee, the proposal would be submitted to the Full Council for approval of the expenditure.

Mr Parmenter advised that he was planning to have a “clear-up day” on the 14th October, which would include the removal of the unpaid dinghies and installing the mooring buoy (if expenditure is approved).

**Action:** Mr Parmenter to confirm the date with Cllr St Joseph.

## 7. Other Issues

Councillors agreed that a Future agenda item would confirm a date for ‘ Washdown of the Hard’ in Spring 2024.

## 8. Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Woodrolfe Hard Committee will be held on Monday 13th November 2023.

The Vice-Chairman closed the meeting at 8.02 pm.

Signed..... Date:.....