

PANNETT PARK | WHITBY | YO21 1RE
TEL: (01947) 820227 | E MAIL: info@whitbytowncouncil.gov.uk

Dear Councillor,

18 January 2024

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the **HARBOUR COMMITTEE** to be held in Pannett Art Gallery, on **TUESDAY 23 JANUARY 2024 at 6.00 pm** the agenda for which is set out below.



Michael King
Town Clerk

To: Cllrs R Dalrymple, G Goodberry, A Jones, J Redfern,
C Riddolls, Mrs S Turner & Mrs L Wild

Sub. Cllr A Abbott

NOTICE OF MEETING – Public notice of the meeting is given in accordance with schedule 12, paragraph 10(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
To receive and resolve upon apologies for inability to attend.
- 2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION**
To declare any interests which members have in the following agenda items.
- 3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
Standing Orders will be suspended for up to 15 minutes to allow for questions or statements about business items on the agenda, submitted by members of the public (limited to 3 mins per person).
- 4. MINUTES** **(page 3)**
To approve as an accurate record the minutes of the Harbour Committee held on 19 September 2023
- 5. WHITBY MARITIME HUB CONSULTATION** **(page 5)**
- 6. HARBOUR ISSUES**
To consider a written report from the Harbour Master and any associated harbour issues.

WHITBY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the **Harbour** Committee held in Pannett Art Gallery, Whitby, on **Tuesday 19 September 2023** at 6pm.

Present Councillor Mrs S Turner (Chair) and Councillors Dalrymple, A Jones, G Goodberry and C Riddolls

Also Mr King, Town Clerk.

NOTICE OF MEETING – Public Notice of the Meeting has been given in accordance with Schedule 12, paragraph 10 (2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

186/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for inability to attend was received from Cllr L Wild (substitutes were unavailable), and from Mr C Burrows (Harbour Master).

MOVED by Councillor Jones, seconded by Councillor Riddolls

RESOLVED That Cllr Wild's apologies for absence be accepted.

187/23 DECLARATION(S) OF INTERESTS & REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

None.

STANDING ORDERS SUSPENDED

188/23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

STANDING ORDERS REINSTATED

189/23 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING.

MOVED by Councillor Goodberry, seconded by Councillor Jones

RESOLVED a) that minutes of the Harbour Committee held on the 16 May 2023 are approved as a correct record.

190/23 HARBOUR ISSUES

Members welcomed the comprehensive written report forwarded by the Harbour Master. In response, the following issues were raised:

- The status of the dredger, following reports of the demise of its contracted operator. Members were interested to know whether there had been any significant increase in groundings or limitations on the movement of vessels, including the lifeboat. The committee would welcome an update once the future operating model of the dredger was confirmed.
- Whitby Maritime Training Hub. It was hoped that more detail would be forthcoming from North Yorkshire Council as plans likely to be subject to any planning application became available for reference.
- Members noted the development of the Strategic Vision and would

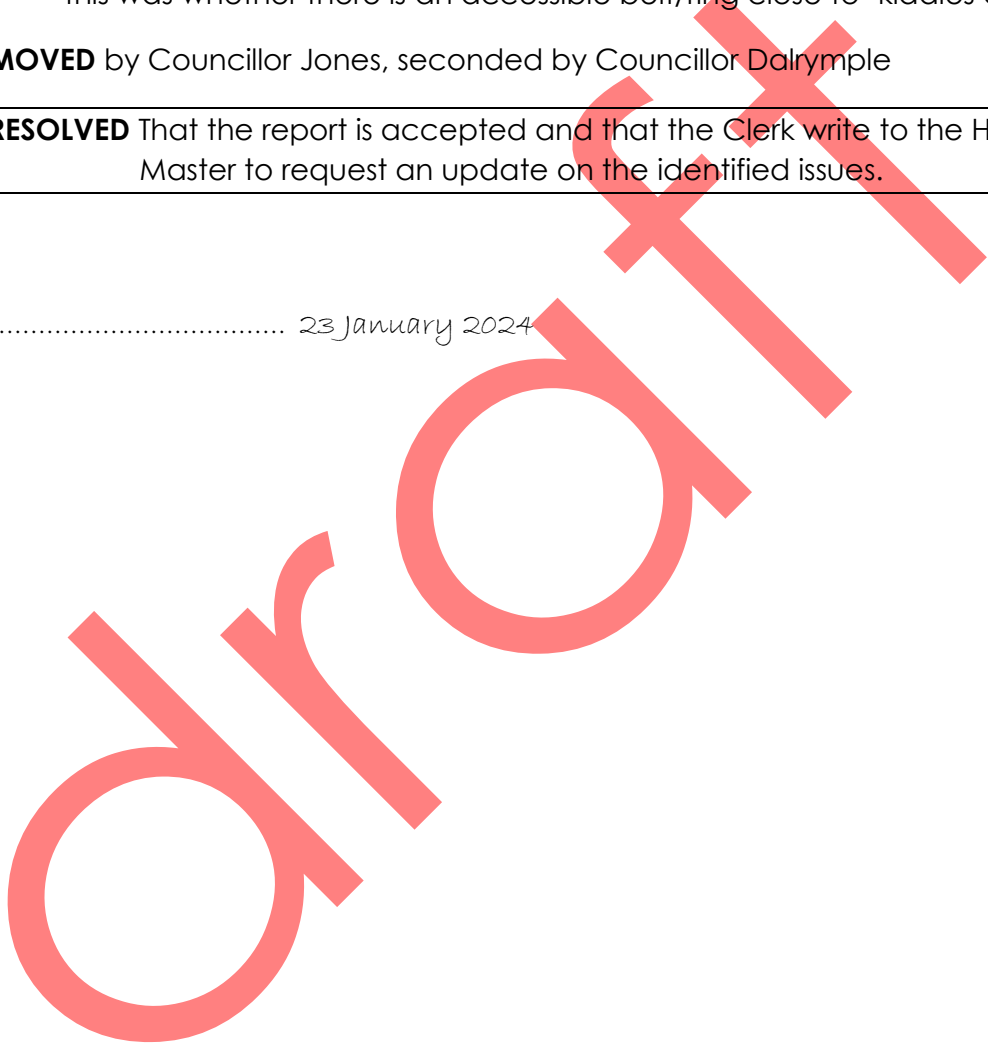
welcome more information on how the strategic developments might fit with existing structures, such as the Harbour Users Consultative Group and proposed structures under NYC such as 'Community Partnerships'. Whitby Town Council may become formally involved in these structures.

- It was remarked that, noting the removal of restrictions on Eskdale Wharf, the 12m exclusion zone was still in place. It was anticipated that works to the end-of-life sheet piling will resolve this.
- Members wondered what the spread of location of life belts/rings was, if there are operational issues with these and whether there may be a role for the town council in their provision or maintenance. The initial focus of this was whether there is an accessible belt/ring close to 'kiddies corner'?

MOVED by Councillor Jones, seconded by Councillor Dalrymple

RESOLVED That the report is accepted and that the Clerk write to the Harbour Master to request an update on the identified issues.

Signature 23 January 2024



Whitby Maritime Hub Consultation

North Yorkshire Council's Regeneration team have forwarded the following information for councillors' information.

An ambitious £10 million proposal to create a hub for marine and maritime innovation and enterprise on Whitby's Endeavour Wharf will soon take a major step forward with the submission of its planning application.

Before the plans are submitted North Yorkshire Council is launching a wide-ranging consultation with local stakeholders to ensure that all views are heard, starting on 15 January.

NYC would like to invite residents to view the plans and to comment on them by visiting www.northyorks.gov.uk/WhitbyMaritimeHub

North Yorkshire Council will also be welcoming local residents to public consultation events at

- Eastside Community Centre, 23 January 2024, 10:00 to 4:00pm (accessible venue)
- Whitby Coliseum, 27 January 2024, 10:00 to 4:00pm (accessible venue)
- Whitby Coliseum, 31 January 2024, 10:00am to 7:00pm (accessible venue)

Information will be available to view at the Eastside Community Centre, Whitby Coliseum and the Library and on request at the Harbour Office from 15 January to 9 February 2024 during office hours.

The Whitby Maritime Hub proposals are part of the £17.1 million Towns Fund awarded to Whitby in 2021, £10 million of which has been allocated to the hub which will transform the town's Endeavour Wharf.

At the heart of Whitby's regeneration plans are improvements which will support the economy, including the maritime industry, to make the town a better place to live, work and visit.

Endeavour Wharf has been a site of maritime activity in Whitby since the 1800s, from fishing to boat building and today remains an operational wharf as well as providing car parking facilities.

A new Maritime Hub will be built on part of the Wharf to establish an innovation centre providing training courses for the maritime industry, related workshop space and office accommodation. The aspiration is that the hub will drive the rebirth of Whitby's Maritime industry by providing new opportunities for training and employment closer to home.

The hub will be the home of the current wharf operations of the Harbour Authority as well as creating opportunities to diversify and secure the marine sector for the future.

In addition, all members have been invited to participate in the Teams meeting set up for Thursday, 18 January.

Feedback from this consultation will be used to shape the final planning application which is due to be submitted in March 2024.

The consultation closes on 9 February 2024.