

CARDIFF BAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 22nd June, 2016 at the Cardiff International White Water.

Present:

Councillor L. Burnett (Chairman)	Vale of Glamorgan Council (Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Education)
Mrs. C. Dimond	Cardiff Action Committee
Councillor G. Roberts	Penarth Town Council
Councillor B. Derbyshire	Cardiff Council (Cabinet Member for Environment)
Councillor G. Roberts	Penarth Town Council
Mr. S. Jones	Quay Marinas Ltd (Marina Manager)
Mr. N. Ajax Lewis	Wildlife Trust of South and West Wales (Senior Conservation Officer)
Mr. C. Michael	RSPB (South Wales Area Manager)
Ms. C. Harvey	Natural Resources Wales

Also present:

Mr. J. Maidment	Cardiff Harbour Authority (Operational Manager)
Mr. A. Vye-Parminter	Cardiff Harbour Authority
Ms. S. Jones	Vale of Glamorgan Council (Tourism Officer)
Mrs. K. Bowen	Vale of Glamorgan Council (Democratic and Scrutiny Services Officer)

(a) Appointment of Chairman –

Councillor L. Burnett was appointed Chairman for the Municipal year.

(b) Appointment of Vice-Chairman –

Mrs. C. Dimond was appointed Vice-Chairman for the Municipal year.

(c) Apologies for Absence –

These were received from Mr. M. Chidlow (Associated British Ports – Harbour Master), Mrs. N. De Longhi (Natural Resources Wales – Operational Manager), Mr. C. Atherton (Waterfront Partners - Chairman) and Ms. K. Richards (Cardiff Council – Head of Culture, Venues and Events).

(d) Minutes –

AGREED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 13th January, 2016 be approved as a correct record.

(e) Matters Arising –

At the last meeting Members were informed that the steel dolphins in the outer harbour had been removed following the failure of some of the chains holding them in place. Mr. Vye-Parminter confirmed that these had been removed in respect of ongoing maintenance issues. Mr. Jones, Marina Manager, also agreed that this had been a sensible solution.

In referring to the reference to the Cardiff Bay Development review, Members were advised that a report was to be presented to Cardiff's Cabinet later in the year with a request by the Chairman that the Committee be kept informed of progress. The Chairman also referred to a previous request for a presentation on economic development with it being agreed that this take place later in the year.

(e) Presentation Forthcoming Events in the Barry and Penarth Areas –

Ms. S. Jones, the Events Officer for the Vale of Glamorgan, advised of forthcoming events including:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	
July		
Friday 1 st July to Sunday 3 rd July	Beyond The Border Storytelling Festival	www.beyondtheborder.com
Thursday 7 th July to Sunday 17 th July	Penarth Summer Festival	www.penarthtowncouncil.gov.uk
Saturday 16 th and Sunday 17 th July	Cadstock, Victoria Park, Barry	www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk
Saturday 23 rd and Sunday 24 th July	Isle of Fire, Barry Island	www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk
Friday 29 th July to Sunday 31 st July	GlastonBarry, Romilly Park, Barry	www.mackeventsresents.com
Saturday 30 th and Sunday 31 st July	Street Music Weekender, Barry Island	www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk
August		
Saturday 6 th and Sunday 7 th August	Street Theatre Weekender, Barry Island, includes performance of Mid Summers Night Dream	www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

	at 6pm on Sunday 7 th August	
Wednesday 10 th August	Vale of Glamorgan Show, Fonmon	www.valeofglamorganshow.co.uk
Saturday 13 th and Sunday 14 th August	Circus Weekender, Barry Island	www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk
Saturday 20 th and Sunday 21 st August	Sports, Arts and Play Weekender	www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk
Sat 27 th and Sun 28 th August	Cinema By The Sea, Barry Island Sat - Star Wars A Force Awakens Sun - Dirty Dancing	www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk
September		
Sat 3 rd and Sun 4 th September	Barry at War Weekend, Barry Island	www.barrywarmuseum.org.uk
Sunday 25 th September	Distinguished Gentlemen's Ride, Penarth Pier and Esplanade	www.gentlemansride.com

The Officer confirmed that all the information was available on the Council's website, on twitter and at www.visitthevale.co.uk.

AGREED – T H A T Ms. Jones be thanked for her presentation and for the information contained therein.

In the absence of Ms. K. Richards, Head of Culture, Venues and Events, Mr. Vye-Parminter advised of the following:

There would be nine main events in Cardiff Bay up to October 2016 commencing:

- 23rd June – Extreme Sailing Series
- 26th June – Cardiff Triathlon – water quality permitting
- 8th – 10th July – Annual International Food and Drink Festival and Yachting Association Rally
- 23rd July – Home Nations Rowing Regatta. It was Wales' turn to host this event with a 5 knot speed restriction being put in place across the Bay
- 23rd July – Opening of Cardiff Bay Beach
- 28th – 29th August – Harbour Festival and P1 Powerboat Race
- 3rd September – British Water Ski Race
- 25th September – Men's Health: Survival of the Fittest
- 2nd October – Cardiff Half Marathon.

Following discussion it was

AGREED – T H A T both the Cardiff and Vale Councils should publicise each other's events on their websites in a collaborative approach to ensure that events are publicised widely.

(g) Navigational Safety –

Mr. Vye-Parminter advised of the forthcoming six monthly dredging of the Outer harbour which was due to commence on 11th July, 2016. The Harbour Authority was also currently reviewing the requirement to dredge the Castle water bus stop on the Taff. In response to a query regarding dredged material, Members were informed that this was placed in the deep parts of the old River Taff channel in the bay to aid maintenance of water quality and oxygen levels.

In referring to a potential cross-Barrage bus, Mr. Maidment confirmed that Arup had also undertaken an exercise where some questions had been raised in relation to modal shift, with it subsequently being

AGREED – T H A T an update report be presented to the next meeting of the Committee in respect of the cross-Barrage water bus proposals and the Arup report.

(h) Progress Report re Cardiff Harbour Authority –

Mr. J. Maidment advised that there was good news for Cardiff in that the Harbour Authority had been awarded the trans-Atlantic leg of the Volvo Round the World Ocean Race for 2017/18 and was currently working with Welsh Government regarding the necessary arrangements to be put in place.

Mr. Maidment expressed the significance of such an event. A full itinerary was to be announced by Volvo in the forthcoming weeks and discussions were ongoing with event partners e.g. Associated British Ports, together with decisions regarding finalising governance arrangements. A number of key stakeholders would also be included as planning for the event develops

The economic impact assessment had suggested that the income that could be generated was in the region of €60m. It was considered to be a major event, not only for Cardiff but for the whole of Wales. Regular event updates would be presented to the Committee.

Having considered the report it was

AGREED – T H A T collaboration on such a project was essential and that the Committee looked forward to receiving regular updates.

(i) Natural Resources Wales –

Ms. Harvey advised that there had been no incidents in relation to pollution for Natural Resources Wales. Two oxygen loaders had been present on the Ely River and, in referring to the issue raised at the previous meeting that a barge had sunk in the Wharf, Natural Resources Wales could confirm that there had been no environmental impact.

Ms. Harvey also advised that the “Know Your Rivers” report was due to be published, which would include details of work undertaken in relation to migration and stock of fish.

AGREED – T H A T Ms. Harvey be thanked for her report.

(j) Any Other Business –

The Chairman advised that:

- Tidal Lagoons Representatives were interested in providing an update to the Committee which would be scheduled when appropriate.
- At the meeting scheduled for 14th September, 2016, the Committee would receive an overview in relation to the City Deal topic.

(k) Date of Next Meeting –

It was confirmed that the next meeting be held on Wednesday 14th September, 2016 at 5.15 p.m. at the Cardiff International White Water Centre.