



OPEN MEETING

Held on 2 March 2021 via ZOOM

Attendees

Liz McLean	Donald Budge	Adam Biran	Mark Cavanagh
Liz Curtis	Ian Dane	Jan Green	Sue Guy
Mike Shaw	Tanya Jepson	Joan Johnson	Tania King
Kenny Maule	James McGrath	Cathie Ramsay	Robert Ramsay
	Pippa Swan	Alasdair Swan	

Apologies

Jo Waddell	Alan Green	Brian Cox
Colin Barnes	Teresa Barnes	Elaine McGregor

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1.00 Minutes of Meeting held on 2 February 2021

1.01 Amendments - none. Adoption proposed by Tanya Jepson and seconded by Sue Guy. The minutes were duly adopted and will be incorporated at the 2022 AGM.

OPEN MEETING

1.00 Minutes of the Open Meeting held on 2 February 2021

1.01 Amendments - none

1.02 Action Items -

All action items have been attended to and matters arising were addressed in the update reports. The following isolated actions have been attended to:

- Estate Inspection material passed to Kenny Maule
- Creel Loaders hedge maintenance - Brian Cox has agreed to continue with this and will ask for support as/when needed
- Tanya Jepson has taken over the website and will be principal contributor on the FB page. Sue Guy will continue to post as well.

2.00 Current Projects - update

2.01 *East Beach Regeneration*

DSHNG had held a Zoom call with ELC and an update report will be circulated.

Action: PS

2.02 *Lamer Street Promenade Project*

Sue Guy gave a slide presentation setting out proposals for traffic and pedestrian flow if, as proposed, Lamer Street facing onto East beach is closed during the summer of 2021.

Copies of the slides will be posted on the East Beach notice board for members to examine.

Action: SG/MS

The proposal is for two-way single line traffic and for boulders to act as seating. Boulder of varying size would provide seating and roadblocks and 3 such boulders could be provided for as little as £30.

The project team's proposals have been discussed with Councillor Norman Hampshire and Peter Forsyth of ELC Transportation and favourably received. However ELC considers that barriers to prevent traffic going over the sea wall and to prevent people from stepping into the roadway from new seating would be required. ELC will investigate the cost of any such. In discussion continuous barriers have been seen as a possible problem mainly in inhibiting kelp recovery from the sea wall. Also passing places would be restricted and parking facilities could be reduced.

It was agreed that the Project Team should pursue outstanding matters with ELC with a view to the project being in place as soon as possible.

Action: SG,AB,JMcG

Kenny Maule proposed that aerial views of East Beach when visitors are present and when the area is quiet should be put in hand.

The Project Team to check that the proposals will not affect the proposed development of the Amusement Arcade site.

Action: SG, AB, JMcG

2.03 *East Beach Sea Defences*

Pippa Swan advised the OOB proposals for the long-term were now available and will be circulated to members for comment as soon as possible.

Minutes of the last update meeting will be circulated.

Action: PS

2.04 *East Beach Kelp Management*

Joan Johnson reported that the build-up of kelp since Christmas is to be cleared commencing on the 3rd of March. The delay in dealing with this backlog is of concern and discussions are in hand to ensure that kelp build-up is dealt with promptly going forward.

2.05 *East Beach Bio-wall*

Photographs taken by Liz were shown to the meeting.

As well as general views of the Bio-wall, close-ups show that weed is now growing in the pools from section 3 (second post) onwards and algae appearing on the untextured face of the concrete.

Introduction of material to encourage growth in the pools was raised, the concern being that to do so might interfere with the natural development of algae, etc. The view was that any introduction should be recorded.

Liz Curtis and Tanya Jepson will continue to monitor developments.

Action: LC, TJ

Dee Davidson's details to be passed to the team.

Action: PS

2.06 *Fishermen's Monument*

At the meeting on 4 Feb 2021 it was agreed that a decision should be taken about whether or not to recoat the monument, and if so, with what (Keim/Lime). Consideration was also to be given to improving the setting of the monument to allow better access for viewing. Alasdair Swan gave a slide presentation to give an update on progress on the agreed Fishermen's Monument project.

Pippa Swan reminded the group that the monument has been fully restored in 2012 after detailed consultation with Graciela Ainsworth, one of Scotland's premier conservation masons. A team from this company carried out the conservation work, coating the monument in lime. This finish degraded quickly and the monument was recoated with Keim paint in 2017. This has now also failed.

Alasdair Swan and Ian Dane had met with Andy Stockdale, conservation mason at The Ridge to discuss the finish. The stone is very friable and saturated both from ground and wind blown water. A mineral coat will act only as a sacrificial coat

and we would probably have to agree that recoating will now have to be carried out every 1 or 2 years.

Andy Stockdale will give a quote for coating the monument with 3 coats of lime.

Alasdair Swan and Ian Dane had given consideration to an improved setting and are currently proposing demarking an area of 3m + with a heavy timber baulk seat (similar to those already at The Battery). The ground would be finished with bound resin or whindust. The improved setting was supported by the meeting.

Alasdair Swan will approach Dunbar Harbour Trust, who own the monument, to seek their approval for taking the project forward.

Local residents will also be consulted.

Planning consent and funding will be required.

Action: AS/ID

3.00 Facebook and website update

Tanya Jepson confirmed that she has reviewed all existing data and expects to have both Facebook and website up and running by next weekend, that is 7 March 2021.

4.00 Dunbar Harbour Trust

Dunbar Harbour Trust are looking for additional trustees: any members who would like further details should contact Alasdair Swan [alasdairswan@yahoo.co.uk].

5.00 Any other business

5.01 Castle Video Fly by

Kenny Maule shared a wonderful drone video of Dunbar Castle and Harbours by Jeff Carter.

The link is:

<https://vimeo.com/518058621>

6.00 Date of next Open Meeting

Subject to progress on current projects, the next Open Meeting will be held on

Tuesday 6th April 2021 at 7 pm [via Zoom]

Pippa Swan will confirm this arrangement by Easter.