

JOINT COMMITTEE ON CHANNEL DREDGING, NEWPORT

Minutes of meeting held at ABP Offices, Newport, at 09:30hrs Wednesday, 13 April 2016

Representing Associated British Ports

Captain M Chidlow
D Dodsworth
M.J Elliott

Representing Newport Harbour Commissioners

C.P Crick
A.R Speight
S.P Davison

2053 - MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on Wednesday, 13 January 2016, were accepted as a true record.

2054 – REPORT OF THE DREDGING MANAGER

Mr D Dodsworth presented the report of the Dredging Manager. He referred to the latest survey of the River which had been undertaken yesterday (12 April 2016). The channel remained in a very good condition and showed the “little but often” dredging methodology to be working. In the last 3 months, there had been a 5-day dredging campaign performed by “UKD Orca”. As a result, the condition of the area around No5 buoy had improved markedly. A small amount of dredging around No2 buoy had also occurred. Approximately 44,000 cubic metres of material had been removed from the Channel.

The Committee referred to the recent large spring tides that appeared to have assisted with flushing the Channel. It was noted though that other parts of the UK were experiencing difficult conditions with a high level of dredging required.

2055– CIVIL PROJECTS

Mr M.J Elliott noted that work had continued on the Dock Walls. The work on the gates at Newport was scheduled to commence in 2017.

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of this Committee will take place at ABP Offices, Newport on Wednesday, 13 July 2016, at 09:30hrs.

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Chairman.....