

# Ashlett Sailing Club



## Minutes of committee meeting held at Langley on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2024

1. Present Ade Lumb, Andy Timberlake, Pam Lumb, Kieth Guy Gibbins, Carl Sharman, Alan Morrison, Deb Boles, Simon Lovelock. Via "Teams" Niel Howarth & Adrian Barnes
2. Apologies for Absence: Barry Andrews, Dave Waters.
3. Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

### **Commodore – Ade Lumb:**

Update of Committee directory to be placed on our website. **Action:- Ade**

Action New rule ref Doubling of fees for unused boats. **Action:- early 2025**

New rules updates approved at AGM, to be placed on our website. **Action:- Ade**

An update was given on the Toilet / shower block process.

It was discussed and decided that the access ramp location should be changed to between the clubhouse and the boathouse rather than on the southern side of the club house. The reason for this is that it facilitates a longer ramp, thereby reducing the incline for disabled access. The ramp will be constructed of rubble from demolishing the old toilet block and will be cocreated in a none slip manner. (there was concern that wooden decking would become slippery when wet.) It is also a more efficient use of space, freeing up more dinghy storage space.

### **4. Secretary – Andy Timberlake:**

- a) Fire Extinguisher mapping. **Action Ade & Alan**
- b) Email history how long should these be kept and where. **Agreed 3 years**

### **5. Treasurer – Pam Lumb**

Toilet block invoice fully paid (£63K)

Current bank funds are: - £20K in Reserve account, £16K in 90day liquidity account, £1.5K in current account.

Further expenditure will be for commissioning the new toilet block and building of the raised decking

### **6. Membership – Adrian Barnes**

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When I took over as membership secretary, we were interviewing by phone, which I guess was a hangover from COVID. I put it back to in person interviews. However, because I am usually only down at weekends, that has proved difficult for some new members (Ignoring the fact that I wasn't down for half of Summer). I am not keen to do

telephone interviews because I think it is nice to see the person. However, would there be any objections to doing Teams interviews with new members. That way I can do it almost any day and, of course, I can drop it out to other members of the committee as well, if they would like to join in on the meeting.

I think, that this year there was only one interview where Al joined me, all the others have either been me or Al and Carl - it might be nice to be able to have more members on the meeting, where they are available. I think a lot of clubs make people go through a formal panel for admission to their clubs.

**It was agreed that we would continue where possible face to face interviews with new members.**

**8. Bosun – Simon Lovelock:**

- a) The red tractor battery remains on charge pending testing / replacement - again.

**9. Pound – Barry Andrew**

I have been informed that the majority of Dinghy Dell is available for the Dinghy's to be put back within the allotted area in the compound (some have been put back, thank you to those concerned). I will aim to move some of the other Dinghies this weekend weather dependent if I have space available which are currently in compound spaces. I have had around 4 number enquiries following the change in rules for members to have an additional boat on trailer within the compound. For clarity, I believe that if a boat goes into the compound before a certain date they will only be charged for 6 months. After that date it will be free, can we clarify this date as this is a change to the rules? **Answer Full fees until September, the 50% then 1<sup>st</sup> Jan Full new year fees that will cover 15 months.**

Again, with a rule change of existing boats in the compound in relation to boats that look abandoned. Do you want me to prepare an email to be sent to the members, asking for their plans for their boat etc? **To be addressed next month**

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**Pontoon and Slip – Dave Waters:** Nothing to report

**11. Maintenance and Club House – Alan Morrison**

- a) The Pontoon and Jetty has become very slippery due to the autumn weather conditions and will need to be treated or fitted with wire mesh netting.

12. **Creek – Carl Sharman:** Nothing to report

**13. Sailing Events – Debs Boles**

- a) SWSA prize giving Wednesday 11th December. 1. It looked like August 9th was the favourite date for the regatta? **Agreed August 9<sup>th</sup> for Ashlett regatta**
- b) SWSA prizegiving is on Wednesday 11th December at Hythe sailing club. S

**14. Moorings – Keith Guy-Gibbens:**

**15. Boat House – Neil Howarth:**

- a) Nothing to report. Dinghy spaces full.

**16. AOB**

17. Next meetings: 9<sup>th</sup> January 13<sup>th</sup> February 13<sup>th</sup> March, 10<sup>th</sup> April, 8<sup>th</sup> May,  
12<sup>th</sup> June 11<sup>th</sup> July 8<sup>th</sup> August, 12<sup>th</sup> September, 10<sup>th</sup> October, 14<sup>th</sup> November