



## The Beverley Barge Preservation Society

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### MEETING MINUTES APRIL 2011

#### MEETING HELD ON 14th APRIL 2011 @ 7-30pm ONBOARD MOTOR VESSEL "SYNTAN"

Chairman welcomed the committee and all the Society members aboard. The Chairman requested that the meeting acknowledge a minute's silence in memory of Clary Holt and Henry Smith; two old barge men who sadly passed away. Apologies were received from J Mager, B Freeman and D Tulloch. The minutes of the February meeting were read and accepted as a true record.

#### **Matters Arising:**

It was pointed out that Joyce Gillyon would be standing down as Secretary; this had been announced at the last meeting but had not been recorded.

#### **Finances:**

The Treasurer reported that the end of March was the end of the financial year the income and expenditure figures were complete and were presented to the meeting.

#### **Membership:**

The membership details have not changed.

#### **Correspondence:**

The Society had received notification that the Robin Knox Johnson bid for funding was unfortunately unsuccessful. We had also had a letter from the Jubilee Peoples Millions again to inform us that our bid for funding had not been successful. Brian informed the meeting that Annabel Hanson had invited us to attend a workshop of short talks on fund raising on 20<sup>th</sup> April if anyone was available.

#### **Junior Section:**

Brian suggested that as the Junior section was not functioning at the moment it would be advisable to transfer the funds to the main "Syntan" account, this was accepted.

#### **Syntan Bookings:**

Tony was to contact "Sobriety" project at Goole to get information regarding training for young people and how they get funding to help with these projects.

Iain has been in contact with the organisers of the Leeds Waterfront Festival with regard to our taking part, Simon Henry BW Marketing Executive wants to visit "Syntan" to discuss the possibilities. It was agreed that we would offer two dates for "open trips" that is for individuals to book for a day trip. The minimum figure would be eight persons and the cost would be £40 a head. This would be done with the cooperation of the Tourist Information Office. Non members had made enquiries about going along on the trip to York in July, it was discussed and agreed that if places were available the cost for the trip would be £35.

#### **Syntan:**

Tony would be on board on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April to instruct anyone on the operation of the generator and associated equipment for anyone manning the vessel for the forthcoming open days.

#### **Syntan Maintenance:**

The outside painting has progressed and the vessel is looking very good. Secondary steering (emergency steering) was discussed and it would be investigated. The galley re-fit is outstanding but work on this is imminent.

#### **Any other Business:**

We have received an email from Helen Watson ERYC asking if we can accommodate a visit from a civic group from Lemgo in Germany which if possible could include a short trip on the vessel, possible date Wed 27<sup>th</sup> or Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> April.

**Date of next meeting Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2011, the meeting has been brought forward to accommodate a trip.**

**A gentle reminder to all our members - your yearly subs are due. As you know these fees do help us throughout the year with the maintenance of the vessel.**