

Navigation Committee

22 October 2020

Agenda item number 6

Summary of actions and outstanding issues following discussions at previous meetings

| Title | Meeting date | Lead officer | Summary of actions | Progress so far | Target date |
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| Network Rail Whole Life Strategy | 19/10/2017 | John Packman | Network Rail Whole Life Strategy planning for swing bridges and replacing Trowse Swing Bridge with a fixed bridge. | <p>May 2020: Following sensor replacement works at Somerleyton, Reedham & Oulton, Network Rail believes the operational reliability of these bridges will be improved. As we enter Summer 2020 we will monitor opening and breakdowns to ascertain this reliability. The Authority and Network Rail continue to discuss swing bridge issues. The Authority is also part of a Working Group with Norfolk County Council, Norwich City Council, LEP, Network Rail, and Greater Anglia working on the issues at Trowse Bridge and gathering wider support and funding for a replacement/better operational reliability of this bridge.</p> <p>July 2020: The Trowse Rail Bridge Working Group continues to meet. The next phase of this project is to meet with the Train Services Director for Southeastern. This meeting is being arranged and will include spokespeople from the working group, which includes John Packman. Further updates to be provided once a date has been confirmed.</p> <p>Sept 2020: The Authority has written officially to Norfolk County Council regarding Haven Bridge, Great Yarmouth. The County Council hopes to have a manual system for opening the bridge working.</p> | |
| Planning application with navigation implications: BA/2018/0466/FUL – Land at Burgh Castle – BFAP Compartment 34 | 17/01/2019 | Rob Rogers | Lease arrangements and re-piling at Burgh Castle for the reinstatement of free 24 hour moorings. | <p>Following an exempt paper considered at Navigation Committee and Broads Authority, officers presented the landowner with a series of options on the alternative Burgh Castle mooring site, based upon the recommendations within the exempt report. We await the landowners response.</p> <p>16/01/20: Members supported 99-year lease agreement, including the Broads Authority taking on full responsibility for the piling structure.</p> <p>21/01/20: Management Team agreed 99-year lease at peppercorn rent and for Broads Authority to take full responsibility for the piling structure at Burgh Castle moorings.</p> <p>27/05/20: Development and improvements at Belton Reach (new name for Burgh Castle's moved mooring location) are progressing from an operational planning perspective, although the project has been deferred to 2021/2022 due to Covid-19 funding issues.</p> | |

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| Feedback on Navigation Committee appointment process | 13/06/2019 | John Packman | Areas identified for improvement in co-opted member appointment process. Members discussed list of user organisations consulted as part of process, for feedback to officers. | Member feedback has suggested grouping organisations by interest rather than consulting a large list of individual organisations. Any formal changes to the process will be presented to the Broads Authority to adopt for future appointments. | 01/09/2022 |
| Safety by the water – draft guide | 05/09/2019 | Natalie Beal | Draft guide produced to support Broads Local Plan. Members suggested the guide be reviewed by the BA's solicitor for advice on adding a disclaimer at the beginning of the document. | The comments of the Navigation Committee will be reported to the Planning Committee. The final guide will be shared with Navigation Committee members for review before it is adopted by the Broads Authority. This will be reported to Navigation Committee at a future date. | |
| Landscapes Review | 16/01/2020 | John Packman | Members asked to comment on BA's proposed response to Landscapes Review (Glover Report) to report to BA meeting on 31 Jan 2020. | Broads Authority report 31/1/20 on Landscapes Review Proposal 27: A new financial model – more money, more secure, more enterprising; "unnecessary complexities, such as the requirement for the Broads Authority to account for income and expenditure from National Park Grant separately ... should be addressed." BA draft response is that it would be a Government decision whether to combine the finances and the BA would await the Government's response. A response is expected before the end of the calendar year. | |
| Mooring priorities - update | 16/01/2020 | Rob Rogers | Members made recommendations on mooring updates previously reviewed by the Committee on 13 June 2019. | Lease negotiations of new and existing sites progressing. Aug 2020: The Acle Bridge moorings are open after major repairs to the piling, and the electric charging posts will be operational soon when UK Power Networks connects the power. The Castle Staithe mooring at Wroxham is repaired and open to the public. Stalham Staithe mooring repairs are complete; when the Land Registry have completed the land transfer to the Town Council, the agreement with the BA to manage the site as a 24 hour mooring will start. | |

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