

REDEVELOPMENT AT PORT ASKAIG

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to update Members on the current position of the items raised at the last meeting.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Committee note the contents of the report

3. WATER SUPPLY

- 3.1 A request for a water supply has been made to Scottish Water and they have advised that they would be willing to offer a supply. This supply would be a metered.
- 3.2 The Operations Manager – Marine and Airports will contact the Harbour Association to discuss who would pay for such a metered supply.

4. ROGER EATON

- 4.1 A letter has been sent to Mr Eaton requesting details of the modifications he is proposing to the existing steps at the North Harbour. This was followed up by sending him engineering drawings of the installed steps.
- 4.2 Mr Eaton responded by providing a drawing showing his proposed moving of the steps along with details of his vessel
- 4.3 Moving the steps as requested by Mr Eaton will not be a simple operation as the moved steps place structural cross members within the clear headroom area of the steps.
- 4.4 From examining the details of this vessel it would appear that the simplest solution is for Mr Eaton to open another boarding point at the stern of his vessel. He could then berth stern first during periods of high tide and have full access to the existing step layout. This suggestion has been put to Mr Eaton and a response is awaited.

5. JURA FERRY SAILINGS

ASP Ship Management have examined their records for the 2007/2008 year to identify whether there were any missed sailings due to low tides. They have not been able to identify any sailings missed due to low tides in that year. On this basis for the year 2007/08 there were no recorded instances of missed sailings due to low tides.

6. INNER HARBOUR DEPTHS

Carillion are expected to return to Port Askaig to undertake outstanding remedial works during the week ending 21 November 2008. This will include removing the identified high spots. The consultants will have a diving team on site and they will inspect the boulders left below the required dredged level to determine if there is a simple solution to the problem.

7. IMPLICATIONS

7.1	Policy	None.
7.2	Financial	Additional capital funding is required.
7.3	Personnel	None.
7.4	Equalities Impact Assessment	None.
7.5	Legal	None.

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