

*MINUTES OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025*

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Present:

Chairman: Richard Edwards  
Committee: Steve Shoosmith, John Walter, Les Watson, Nicola Cox, Rodney Shoosmith, Shaun Massey, Chris Cooper, John Morris, Brian Pask and Paul Douglas  
Co-opted: Tom Ford  
Admin Officer: Jenny Elliott

We were joined at the beginning of the meeting by Paul Carter.

**1. Admin Officer's Report**

Jenny presented the financial accounts for the end of October, which showed an unfortunate, but expected deficit.

The committee discussed ways to look at revenue for next year. Ideas to go on the agenda for next meeting.

**2. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes were received by the committee prior to the meeting and were agreed by a show of hands.

Paul Carter left the meeting.

**3. Signage**

Ongoing.

**4. Memorial Plaques**

This has been communicated to members and is in place.

**5. Fish Weights**

Changes were discussed and agreed by a show of hands. It was agreed to send a letter of thanks to Peter and Graham for their work on getting these weights updated.

**6. Byelaws**

Suggestions for Angling byelaw changes were received from Peter and Graham and were discussed and will be updated shortly.

**7. Apologies for Absence**

Bruce Dowling, Keith Veness, Steve Saunders, and Geb Locke.

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### **8. Maintenance/Building Matters.**

John updated that we only experience leaks when there is heavy, driving rain. Dave Tuppenney can fix the crack and suggested that the cladding could be contributing to the leak. Paul Douglas is happy to look at this to assess the situation.

It was mentioned that the heating needs sorting as lots of members are complaining that it is often cold. Richard and Steve will work on this, with a 7-day programmer to be installed.

### **9. Secretary's Report and Correspondence**

An email was received and read, from Graham Furness on behalf of the Seagulls Swimming Club. The Seagulls wished to thank the committee and club for their support by allowing them use of the club for their meetings.

### **10. Membership Applications**

6 social, 1 junior and 4 angling applications were received which were all approved by the committee with one exception.

### **11. Commodore's Report**

Les updated that machinery has been treated with anti-freeze and everything is running well.

### **12. Competition Secretary's Report**

Nothing to report. We are currently awaiting improved weather for the Winter Comp to go ahead.

### **13. Angling**

#### **a. Beach Comp**

15 people fished the first beach comp, which Brian won. Another comp is scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> November from 7-10pm.

#### **b. Junior Anglers Report**

Brian said the season is ending on 29<sup>th</sup> November and will reopen in March 2026. Brian has started working with Buckswood School, who are sending 7 pupils per week to the sessions.

Fishing has not been bad with a few bass and whiting being caught. However, weather has prevented getting out on the boats.

#### **c. Trophies**

Richard reported that Keith Baker is standing down as Cup Custodian. Everything is in hand to cover the rest of this year. Richard thanked Keith and his wife for everything they have done. A letter of thanks to be sent to Keith.

### **14. Any Other Business**

- a. Chris said that Glen will be doing the windows and doors tomorrow ready for Christmas.

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- b.** Nicola asked for a thank-you letter to be sent to Dave Brockington for the flags, which are of excellent quality.
- c.** Shaun mentioned the story regarding the sewage beads at Camber and that the Environment Agency were combing the beach today.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21:05