
MINUTES OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Present:

Chairman: Richard Edwards

Committee: Keith Veness, John Walter, Steve Shoesmith, Les Watson, Nicola Cox, Rodney Shoesmith, Shaun Massey, Chris Cooper, John Morris, Brian Pask, Paul Douglas, Tom Ford and Lucille Walter

Admin Officer: Jenny Elliott

President: Bruce Dowling

1. Admin Officer's Report

Jenny presented the accounts for the end of August. After a fantastic month on the bar, our profit has now increased and put us in a very good position as we head into autumn and winter.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

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

3. Apologies

Apologies were received from Geb Locke.

4. Signage Update

Complete.

5. CCTV

Richard has purchased a unit with a 20TB hard drive. This arrived today and is awaiting install.

6. Fire Safety

Richard and Brian have carried out a risk assessment and order new exit and evacuation point signs. Weekly testing is now in place as is a monthly emergency lighting test.

7. Maintenance

This Monday the balcony will be re-leaded and a hole filled by the ballast rail which could be causing the leak.

Tom said we could fit a section of carpet in front of the balcony doors as it is a slip hazard when wet.

Dining chairs: several need recovering and Andy Gooch has taken 6. The committee agreed a price, and these will be done in stages.

EAST HASTINGS SEA ANGLING ASSOCIATION

Tom issued thanks to all those who are helping out with general maintenance.

8. Secretary's Report and Correspondence

It was raised that several members have been speeding across the Stade and winch road. An email to be sent to parking holders to remind them of the speed limit at a warning that fobs may be switched off if they are caught speeding.

Last Friday's club closure was questioned by some. It was clarified that this was given as a one off on merit of the event in question. This does not constitute an open-door policy for all bookings to do the same.

9. Membership Applications

16 social, and 2 angling applications were received which were approved by the committee.

Les confirmed that there will be a new boat, a 17ft Wilson, coming in from next-door.

10. Commodore's Report

It has been a busy month with lots of boats off and there have been no issues. There was enough money in the kitty to service boat winches. Les issued a thank you to all the members who contributed to the kitty and enabled the recent purchase of a new winch.

11. Competition Secretary's Report

The two-day comp went off, with the weather being a little breezy on the Saturday, more boats went on the Sunday. There were some good fish, but no flat fish unfortunately.

12. Angling

a. Junior Report

Two boats went off with the kids on the comp days.

Beach fishing has improved with three soles caught last week.

Sixteen kids went out last night and we now have a waiting list for kids to join.

b. Beach Angling

Beach comps return tomorrow evening with nine booked in. Brian is currently leading the club beach championship.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 8th October.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:18