

Golant Quay Users Report to the 2026 Parish Annual Meeting

Membership. We currently have 108 members, with 131 let berths. We will continue to restrict new membership to Golant residents only to avoid the issue of more derelict boats. We have 4 members with boats that don't move and are deteriorating and are now asking for their removal as we do not want to get into another round of high disposal costs.

Fees. Fees will remain the same at an annual membership of £20, Berth fees will be £20 for locals and £25 for non-locals, with a Joining fee of £20. The late payment fee will be maintained at £25 and again there were no late payments.

Ltd Company Report. I report that the Annual return and Company Accounts were submitted on time and that there were no trading activities in the year and therefore the Company remains dormant. So there is no change to the ownership of the land. The Directors are Allan Foster and Ian Barker.

Maintenance & General Spends.

The main spends were the new chain along the Bridge area of £2600 (now installed and many thanks to the team of mud-wallowers, Ian, Steve, Neil, Paul and Andrew), we spent £1000 on track maintenance, £900 on a handrail to the quay steps and £600 donation to Boatwatch, plus slip cleaning and admin including insurance.

Ian has organised a Pill clean-up session for June 13th, which will start with the bribe of bacon butties at the Fishermans at 10.00am.

Health & Safety. Many thanks to Paul Meredith for carrying out the H&S inspections throughout the year and confirming that there were no reportable accidents over the last year. Ian Barker has updated our Risk Assessment in line with our insurance requirements, and we are grateful to him for doing that. We were required to compile our own Marine Management Safety Plan by the Harbour office as the Statutory Authority. Allan Foster is our Duty Holder and I Barker is our Designated Person. The Harbour office complemented us on our approach to safety.

Finances. Many thanks to Claire and Allan Foster for preparing our accounts and to Tony Strachan for auditing them. Our finances remain in a healthy position, and we can maintain our reserves as advised by our Auditor. The accounts show an income of £5,250 and a small deficit of £695 after expenses of £5,945. We have agreed to a budget spend this coming year of £4,600 to cover our normal admin costs, a Pill Clean-up session, and general maintenance, particularly to the quay and steps. The biggest planned expenditure is for more stern anchor chain, this time along the far Beach section.

Committee. At our recent AGM Janet Longman decided to resign having sold her boat. Sue Steers has kindly agreed to join us, maintaining an important female presence. The remaining committee of myself as Chair, Ian Barker as Vice Chair, Allan Foster as Treasurer, Robin Anderson, Simon Funnell, Simon Robins, Paul Meredith, and James Fuge were re-elected.

Peter Edwards