

Kyson Fairway Committee Meeting Minutes

17th April 2026 - Woodbridge Cruising Club

Attendees - E.Jennings (New secretary) M & B Peak (Standing down Secretary) M.Richardson (Cruising Club) J.Prevett (DYC) H.Ryan (Scouts) S.Copsey (Trustee) J.Symes (Trustee) M.Lis (RDA)

Apologies - J.Masters, R.Guthrie, A.Slim, M.Hodd, P.Masters, T.Grundy

X2 Public attendees

1935 - Meeting opened

Chairs Report

- Last year we experienced a large MFV illegally moored just below Loders cut, even though we were in contact with the owner they were reluctant to move the vessel as they had nowhere to go. It was only when the vessel sunk and became a pollutant issue that the Environment Agency and Coastguard intervened and the vessel was re-floated and taken ashore to be broken up by Melton Boatyard. The Chair then emphasised to the public it is for issues such as these we keep a fairly high level of funds in order to deal with these potentially costly issues as they arise, this was the 3rd abandoned vessel in our area in 3 years now.
- Ongoing discussion with P. Riches regarding the Crown Lease renegotiation, should hopefully have tis wrapped up and a new figure settled upon by our October meeting
- Number tags for moorings ongoing - J.Masters & B.Grundy have found what what looks like a suitable product however been waiting for the new Secretary to get settled into the role and we will press one with that action
- Ongoing boundary discussion with the DYC where one of our moorings may be in their leased area but it appears their trot of Wayfarer moorings are into ours - ongoing and awaiting new secretary to settle in and we shall have a walk along the river wall with the DYC reps and investigate
- Action of finding a new secretary - Completed - E.Jennings introduced herself to the public gallery

Secretaries report

All outstanding renewals for this year have been completed

I have only had 3 new enquires so far this year and have not issued any new licences. Two of those new enquiries are now not proceeding and we have on from last year that is now active again so we currently have just two in progress.

There are currently 134 moorings occupied (1 more than last year) out of 205 sites.

There's currently nobody on the waiting list for a mooring.

After today's meeting I will be handing over the Emma Jennings.

He committee then welcomed Emma and thanked Maria and Bob for their hard work over the last 3 & 1/2 years.

Treasurers Report

Income for 2025 was £13800 compared to £12742 in 2024 and total costs were £10454 compared to £10875 in 2024. As a result we have a surplus for 2025 of £3346 compared to £1867 in 2024. At the end of the year our reserves are of £29817. Income was increased as a result of a greater number of let moorings and cost were lower mainly as a result of lower maintenance costs.

We have a rent review due from January 2027 which has yet to be agreed but in view of our current surplus and high level reserves it is unlikely there will be a need for for any substantial change in mooring charges next year.

The public had no questions regarding the finances.

A.O.B

M.Lis bought forward that it has been nearly 2 years sine the last Deben Forum hosted by the River Deben Association and that following the success of the last another would be organised for this year and is there anything this committee would like to take forward.

At a previous meeting it was discussed and agreed upon if the Council are willing to change the rivers bylaws that we would request the speed limit for our area (Methersgate Quay upwards) would be lowered from 8 knots to 6

knots with an emphasis on wash and be year round as opposed to April - October as it currently is.

A unanimous show of hands that this mandate be carried forward to the next Deben Forum.

Meeting closed at 2015.