



Cattewater Harbour Plymouth

Cattewater Harbour User Group Meeting

Tuesday 20th January 2026, 13:00

The next CHUG meeting will be held on Tuesday 20th January 2026 at 13:00 at the offices of the Cattewater Harbour Commissioners.

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Membership
3. Year in Review
4. Harbour Dues
5. General Directions
6. Turnchapel Trot Moorings
7. Mount Batten
8. Leisure Round - Up
9. Fishing Lines off Fishers Nose
10. Harbour Safety and Sustainability

Kind regards,

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Attendance

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Apologies

Apologies from Sid Currie (Plymouth Boat Trips), James Balouza (In Deep), Sam Waites (Mount Batten Centre), and Steven Phillips (Valero).

Membership

All members agreed to start new terms afresh. Start from now, 3-year terms from today's meeting. Discussion around need for a non CHC chairman, RA asked people to get in touch if they are interested.

Year in Review

ES discussed improvements to harbour facilities and benefits to the local area and marine tourism, for example, new toilet facilities. Discussed various stakeholder engagement projects in the last year, including BPA lunch, PCiP school visits and Plymouth Harbour 10K. RA updated members on Poseidon House office project ongoing. CT requested at least one palm tree planted, RA confirmed. RA discussed new Commercial Wharf lease with PCC and terms. ES discussed design project and future development plans for Commercial Wharf and benefits to the city. JT raised the idea about paddleboard racks for water users to engage with Commercial Wharf developments. RA updated members on Turnquay Wharf with MG, including the presentation of design drawings. RA explained about new vessel 'Amy Jane' within Ports and Coastal Marine Services Ltd and the benefit to the port, and regional ports, in terms of dredging and conservancy.

AN discussed PYC reopening and yacht race championships this summer.

RL discussed gig championships. RA keen to use Commercial Wharf to engage public.



Harbour Dues

RA and MG discussed CHC's intention to move to a LOA based Harbour Dues framework to fall in line with industry best practice and make the structure fairer for port users. Members did not object to this. AN and CT raised concerns about free slipway use, lack of control of harbour dues, associated parking concerns, dangerous slipway launches and uninsured vessels. RA seconded this issue and echoed that PCC's lack of slipway management is an ongoing issue he has raised with PCC. RA reassured the user group that CHC shall continue to enforce legislation on the water.

AW raised that CHC are 'missing out' in terms of dues which should support the running of the harbour and that he urges us to charge per metre as this is fairer to each boat owner and more common in terms of harbour due set up.

General Directions

RA gave update on new general directions and what this means for all port users.

Turnchapel Trot Moorings

RA explained ongoing issue with self-maintained moorings within the Cattewater and reassured members that RA, ES, and CH are attended the Turnchapel Residents Association Meeting on Thursday 29th January to discuss taking on Turnchapel Trot Moorings as harbour maintained.

Mount Batten

RL provided an update on the development project at Mount Batten and associated pontoon replacement. RL expressed disillusion with several delays on the project, but it is due to be completed this year. CHC are providing a temporary ferry pontoon (midstream pontoon) that will be installed by TMS for use while works are underway. MBC RIBs are not permitted to use this pontoon and RL discussed potential solutions to this issue with RA.

Leisure Round-Up

ES presented new Cruise Plymouth promotional video and explanation of cruise calls timeline from 2024 to 2028. ES also gave a full year-round up including details of 15 cruise calls and new visitors to Plymouth such as Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings Ltd and Hapag-Lloyd Cruises. Approximately 13,000 cruise ship passengers came ashore, producing £1.3 million in addition economic spend. Significant milestone was achieved when the Hebridean Princess became the first cruise ship to berth alongside on the Barbican Landing Stage. ES also gave update on placemaking plans for Commercial Wharf and superyacht calls into Plymouth.

Fishing Lines off Fishers Nose

An issue was expressed with fishing lines off Fishers Nose. This has now become less of an issue since signage was put up.



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Harbour Safety and Sustainability

RA updated on the launch of the new Sustainability Strategy, available on the website and spoke about environmental sustainability, wider operational sustainability and investment in personnel.

Thursday 22 January - AW has come forward as Chair of CHUG. RA approved and noted ahead of the next CHUG meeting.