

## **Dart Sailability Group (DSG)**

### **Annual General Meeting 2023**

**Churston Golf Club, Brixham, TQ5 0LA**

**Wednesday 19 April at 6.00pm**

#### **Minutes**

<b>1.</b>	No apologies were received. Neil Strevens, DSG Chair of Trustees, introduced the meeting and welcomed attendees.
<b>2.</b>	<b><u>Minutes of 2022 AGM</u></b>  The minutes had been circulated to the membership and published on the DSG website.  Proposed: Stuart Saunders Seconded: Robert Boyd Agreed unanimously
<b>3.</b>	<b><u>Matters Arising</u></b>  <b>i.</b> Transport costs: Support with the cost of carers and transport to sailing sessions has been awarded to a number of applicants. Neil Strevens invited members to apply should they experience difficulty.  <b>ii.</b> Opportunities for kayaking within DSG have been investigated and found to be impracticable.  <b>iii</b> Other matters were addressed through the agenda.
<b>4.</b>	<b><u>Chairman's Report 2020-21 – Neil Strevens, Chair</u></b>  <b>i.</b> The Chairman's Report for the year to 30 September 2022 is available in full on the DSG website along with the Annual Accounts.  <b>ii.</b> NS announced the passing of Tony Davy, an enthusiastic sailing member of DSG for many years, and thanked the members who attended his funeral.  <b>iii.</b> During the Group's second season of sailing at Galmpton, lessons learned during the first season were applied, incorporating recommendations from the members' brainstorming session.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Improvements to the infrastructure included tarmac to the area outside the clubhouse and concrete to the ramp to improve access to the Hansa storage area.</li><li>- Large tents were installed at the piggery to provide all-weather shelter to the maintenance team.</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wifi has been installed in the clubhouse, useful for electronic access to meetings and for training.</li> <li>- A new DSG website is in preparation</li> <li>- A new document management system (Sharepoint) is in place, enabling access and transparency to members.</li> <li>- A programme of activities for 2023 has been published. Timings are subject to tide times. Constant exposure to sandy water means that engines need to be flushed regularly.</li> <li>- Current financial circumstances are difficult. Although DSG has received generous funding for specific items the Group still needs to fund operational activities amounting to approx. £25,000 per year. The Charity Commission has recently relaxed rules allowing charities to use restricted funds for other expenditure.</li> <li>- Ben Morris is the new owner of Dartside Quay, having bought it from MDL. The Chair will meet with Ben in the near future to discuss matters relating to DSG and report to members in due course.</li> </ul>
<b>5.</b>	<b><u>Presentation and Approval of Annual Accounts - Nick Woodward, Treasurer</u></b>
<b>i.</b>	The accounts for the year to 30 September 2021 had been published on the website.
<b>ii.</b>	The Treasurer confirmed that DSG is in a very healthy financial position. Thanks to the work of Kate Graeme-Cook and her team there has been a substantial inflow of funds this year.
<b>iii.</b>	Proposed: Anna Chrystie Seconded: Bob Miller The accounts were approved unanimously
<b>6.</b>	<b><u>Re-election of Trustees</u></b>
<b>i.</b>	David Lewis has stepped down as a Trustee due to his relocation to Vanuatu. He will not be replaced immediately. NS will actively seek one or two new Trustees for 2023-4.
<b>ii</b>	Two Trustees stood for re-election: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Robert Boyd</li> <li>- Derek Lowe</li> </ul> There were no objections Proposed: Steve Oakey Seconded: Roger Marsden
<b>iii.</b>	Neil Strevens announced that he would step down in two years' time after serving for 6 years.
<b>7.</b>	<b><u>AOB</u></b>
	There were no items for AOB.
	NS closed the meeting at 18.25

