

WHITEHOUSE BOATING CLUB

27th August 2017

Dear member

Annual General Meeting of the club – Sunday 17th September 2017

The club AGM this year will be held on Sunday 17th September at 11.00 am in the clubhouse. Tea and coffee will be available on arrival and all fully paid up members are invited to attend. The AGM is an opportunity to hear about our finances, to put forward your views, and to vote for the people you want to run the club on your behalf.

It's been a testing year for the club, so thank you for your support. Last year we had to hold an extraordinary general meeting to complete the formation of the committee, and whilst this got us 'over the line' it was not an ideal scenario. We have found that everyone has other commitments of some kind, so the time available to manage the club has been reduced to a point where it is a large weight on just a few people.

Almost all of the exiting committee will be standing down due to individual personal commitments.

It is important that you know if we are unable to form a full committee, there are only two options available to us:

1. The club and its activities will be frozen until an EGM is called and produces a full committee. An EGM would be no later than 28th February 2018
2. The club is handed over to the trustees (Stuart Turvey, Brian Dobson, Julie Neville) who would propose a plan for the cessation of the club and for the disposal/sale of its assets. This would be discussed/agreed at an EGM.

It is worth saying that any decision that takes us to scenario 2 is highly significant and not one to be embarked upon lightly. There would be a considerable amount of work to be done by members to implement a closure and this would be irreversible, including giving up the lease on the clubhouse.

The club is a great asset here and one that moorers at many marinas would give their right arm to have.

When reflecting on what I have written, please consider the time and energy that has been invested in the club over the years by many members and more importantly consider, not just your own personal view but those of other members, and how it might impact their enjoyment of being at Crosshall.

Yours sincerely

Brian Dobson
Commodore/Treasurer

The minutes of the 2016 AGM can be found on the website at <http://www.whitehouseboatingclub.org.uk/members-area/club-management/meeting-minutes/>

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Approval of minutes of the last AGM held on Sunday 18th September 2016
3. Commodore's / Treasurer's report
4. Election of Committee and Office bearers
5. All other business

Item 4. Election of committee and office bearers

The current committee will stand down at the AGM – only the Treasurer offers himself for re-election – and the opportunity to nominate and vote for the new committee is open to all members. Each nominee (providing they have been approached and agree to stand) needs to be proposed and seconded by two existing club members and then voted in by a majority of members attending the AGM.

Nominations are requested for all of the following posts:

1. Commodore
2. Vice Commodore
3. Treasurer
4. Secretary
5. Social Secretary
6. General committee

Note: The committee must consist of a **minimum of 5** club members.