

**Minutes of the Route Partnership meeting  
26 August 2009 10.30 hours  
Chief Executive's Office, Town Hall, St Mary's, Isles of Scilly**

Attended by:

Philip Hygate, RP Chairman, Council of the Isles of Scilly  
 Craig Dryden, Council of the Isles of Scilly  
 Cllr Dudley Mumford, Council of the Isles of Scilly  
 Cllr Graham Hicks, Cornwall Council  
 Nigel Blackler, Cornwall Council  
 Tim Wood, Cornwall Council  
 Stephen Lynes, Cornwall Council  
 Nicola Yeates, Cornwall Council  
 Chris Gregory, Duchy of Cornwall  
 Adrian Smith, Duchy of Cornwall

1. Apologies Tom Flanagan, Cornwall Council
2. Minutes of the meeting of 3rd July 2009 agreed as a true record
3. Route Partnership Political Sub-group
  - Councillor attendance has been increased from 3 to 4 members from each Council.
  - Minutes of the first meeting of sub-group, 21 July, issued to all.
4. Update on milestones
  - a. St Mary's Planning approval was granted on 30 July 2009. The site meeting on the day preceeding the Planning committee was informative and Halcrow's were commended for their input.
  - b. Penzance HRO decision letter was issued by DfT on 4 August 2009 stating the HRO will be made.
  - c. Update of vessel operating costs has been completed by Hart Fenton. Single combined vessel shown to be £600K pa cheaper to operate than 2 vessels (£15M over 25 years) and £1.2M pa cheaper than a SWATH vessel (£30M over 25 years). Report will be uploaded on project website. **Action: TW**
  - d. Hart Fenton also reviewed the SWATH vessel in respect of its suitability for the IOS route. Report will be uploaded on the project website **Action: TW**
  - e. Penzance options report completed. Option A (current preferred scheme) has the lowest operating cost. All other options would lead to an increase in freight charges. Report to be uploaded on project website **Action: TW**
  - f. Operator 2<sup>nd</sup> stage formal submissions – four submissions have been received and are currently being evaluated

5. Programme

A report will be submitted to CC Cabinet for consideration on 16/09/09 presenting the outcome of the Penzance options study. Must highlight need to achieve all approvals within the current financial year to mitigate against the risk of losing DfT funding. Shipyard tenders longstop tender date 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2010 is however the most critical date.

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CIOS members will consider Penzance options and Falmouth at Full Council meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> September.

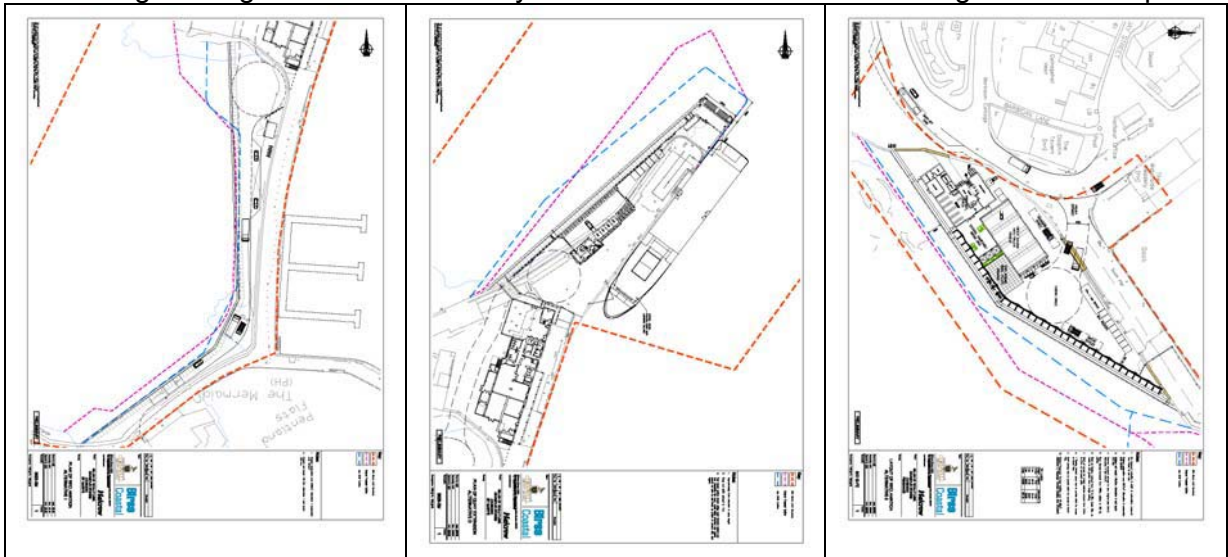
6. Vessel build update – latest date for award 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2010.

7. Project Costs to date – report tabled
8. Forecast costs / Value engineering

It was reported that the proposals are currently [REDACTED] than the anticipated funding. Value engineering measures for both harbours were presented which could lead to approximately [REDACTED] savings. The charter fee may support a loan >£10M but this will not be confirmed until operator fees are received in October. Diana Mompoloki has indicated that Convergence Funding could increase and has proposed a joint meeting with DfT to discuss further.

**PMN:** Meeting arranged for 8th September.

Value engineering modified harbour layouts tabled – double click on images below to open



Comments on proposals to be sent to NY by 11/09/09.

9. Any other business
  - a. NY has received a letter from Bryher boats concerning luggage handling arrangements with future vessel.
  - b. Gry Maritha is due for survey in October
  - c. DoC/CIOS to discuss off-island freight provision

10. Date of next meeting 18<sup>th</sup> September, Penzance.