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1) Dredging

1.1) We have received the first response from DEADP on our draft amendment request submitted, indicating their assessment of the request in terms of Part 1 (Not substantial) and Part 2 (Substantial, and requiring a full EIA process).

The next step is to meet with them in order to try and convince them to allow Part 1 amendments for the hours of work requested as well as for the disposal of the spoils. At this meeting we shall decide when to submit the formal application. Once submitted, DEADP has to respond within 30 days. We expect to have this process completed by end July 2018.

1.2) Concurrently with the above, we shall commence fitting a hydraulic crane and suction head to our dredger to do interim dredging under authority of the current dredging permit. The crane has been donated by Robtek (Derek Robinson's old company) and we wish to thank Derek for the generosity.

The dredging plan decided on will be done as follows:

- 1.2.1) Clean up the Western Entrance to improve the water flow rate and ease of navigation for boats entering the Marina. This phase will be used to iron out any technical issues with the dredger.
- 1.2.2) Move the dredger to the Eastern Entrance and commence dredging of the Loop (including Flamingo Cove).
- 1.3) As soon as we have certainty about the permit amendment, we shall review the contractor tenders. We believe we shall have to meet with the prospective contractors to negotiate final costs based on the actual operational parameters allowed under the amended permit, before the work is finally awarded.

We confirm, again, that clients and Members will be advised of any development that may affect this important function.

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2) Live-aboard sailors

- 2.1) We can confirm that the Laaiplek magistrate Court has issued an eviction order on Mr Glenn Gill and his family. The Gill family has to be out of the Marina by 29 June 2018.
- 2.2) It seems that there is still confusion regarding the POMA Live-aboard policy and for sake of clarity, the formal policy is shown below.
 - 1) No permanent live-aboard concessions are allowed in the Port Owen Marina main basin nor associated waterways. A permanent live-aboard is a person that uses his vessel as a primary residence.
 - 2) Casual live-aboard concessions are allowed for up to 5 consecutive days per calendar month. This concession is meant to cater for non-resident paid up boat owners who use their vessels for short periods when visiting the marina. The POMA Marina Manager must be advised in writing of the visit.
 - 3) Casual live-aboard concessions are allowed for 6 days to 14 days per calendar month but a live-aboard contract must be signed between the owner of the vessel and POMA. There is no live-aboard fee payable in this case.
 - 4) Casual live-aboard concessions for longer than 14 days per month must have a signed live-aboard contract and full monthly live-aboard fees will be payable per crew member.
 - 5) Casual live-aboard concessions for longer than 1 month, but not exceeding 3 months, must approved by the POMA board and these contracts will be reviewed on a monthly basis. These applications must be made in writing to the POMA board.
 - 6) In exceptional cases the POMA board can approve a fixed term agreement.
 - 7) The requisite fees, which are levied in addition to the normal berthing fee, needs to be paid in ADVANCE. The current fees amount to the boat berthing fee per crew member per month.

Currently there are two boats with long-term live-aboard sailors. Both these parties have provided POMA with legitimate reasons for the time needed in port and are up to date with their payments. Two other agreements expire on 31 May 2018 and we expect these boats to leave or the occupants to find on-shore accommodation. The fees for these agreements are paid in full.

We stress, again, that POMA will not allow anybody to use their boats berthed in the Marina as primary residences.

3) Annual Berthing and Jetty Fee Payments

Blommie Koen will issue monthly fee invoices in July 2018. Those clients wishing to pay the annual fee in order to secure the 7.5% discount, must please contact Blommie

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and request an annual invoice. Please remember that the annual payment must be made by end July, to qualify for the discount.

4) Walkway and Embankment Repairs

We have been reporting at several forums that only emergency embankment repairs will be done during the 2018 budget year. This is because we are prioritising dredge expenses.

Please see the repair plan for embankments for 2018, through to 2020, below.

Order	Property	Year
1	1871	2018
2	1862	2018
3	3406	2018
4	3416	2018
5	1866	2019
6	1857	2019
7	3418	2019
8	3423	2019
9	3427	2019
10	1849	2019
11	1848	2019
12	1847	2019
13	1846	2019
14	1845	2019
15	Public space	2019
16	1843	2019
17	1842	2020
18	1841	2020
19	1840	2020
20	1839	2020
21	1838	2020
22	Public space	2020

The remaining repairs indicated for 2018 will commence as soon as our contractor has finished the work on the walkway on the Juliet side of the Yacht Basin.

No further walkway repair is planned for 2018.

5) Yacht Basin Development

A final public participation meeting is scheduled for the end of June 2018. As soon as this has been completed, the Board will formulate the plans, using the input received, for the replacement of the remaining wooden jetties, the layout and whether a hospitality jetty at the Restaurant will be allowed.

6) General

We apologise for any inconvenience that may be caused because of the construction of the new restaurant in front of the POMA Office. As soon as the building work has been completed, POMA will move to the new (wooden framed) offices next door. This should happen by end July 2018.

Winter has finally arrived! To those brave and enthusiastic enough to go to sea, please be safe out there!

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