

Lee Mooring Strategy

Work stream development – outputs from discussions on 16/12/10 (see previous paper “Lee Navigation: outline of initial mooring strategy – ideas for discussion with LVRP, 17th Nov 2010)

1. Strategy objectives: Damian & Sally to do initial draft for internal then external consultation.
2. Long term moorings (workstream 1) – clarified that purpose is to establish understanding of all offside locations where the land owner had not granted consent to moor. Steps required as follows.
 - (a) Identify all pockets of moorings not currently designated in SAP as long term sites
 - (b) Research land ownership at each site
 - (c) Establish via review of past boat check data how long the site has been habitually used for mooring – typically, how many and for how many years (may not be same boats over time)
 - (d) Make contact with landowner, establish consent position and landowner’s opinion

Target: database of sites and above descriptors completed for at least 2 sites for discussion as case studies to identify options at next meeting of project team. Data collection is job for Enforcement team by whatever means most cost effective. If doing site visits, include Damian to extend his knowledge. He can also coordinate input from GIS, Estates, LVRP etc as necessary. We will use this exercise to trigger establishment of contacts within Boroughs (with LVRP help) and flush out identities of key people to invite to workshop (see 4c below)

3. Short term moorings: feedback on our initial suggestions awaited from LVRP.
4. Communications and consultation
 - (a) *Moorings providers*: establish views of mooring operators in relation to mooring provision and moorings control along the navigation. Included in brief for Madge Bailey – telephone interviews followed by written report
 - (b) *Boat clubs and established boating organisations*: Arrange briefing and view-seeking meeting with representatives of IWA, ALCC, RBOA, NABO, Rowing clubs, Angling Consortium to synchronise with timing of (b). Add this task to Madge’s brief. Nick to attend the meetings.
 - (c) *Local authorities*: Purpose is to improve understanding of councillors and relevant officers about management framework for boating on BW’s waters. LVPA has agreed to host seminar for LA elected councillors and officers. Brief drafted for Madge to organise this. Agreed that Lee and Stort sufficiently different that they should have separately tailored events. Give priority to Lee.
5. Denise to revert to Martin Page following meeting with LV rangers with proposals for next steps in collaboration.

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Present at meeting: Jon Guest, Mark Blackwell, Denise Yelland, Nick Wattam, Russ Bennett, Damian Kemp, Sally Ash. Apols from Bill Phillips.