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Sent: 20 March 2019 09:39
To: 'Secretary' <secretary@bembridgeharbourtrust.org>;

Trustees,

1. I refer to the BHT email dated 15/03/2019 and take great exception to the unwarranted and unfounded comments and their implication regarding me.

It is to be noted that Mr Gully continues to distort my comments.

2. I have given a commitment to install free of charge to all houseboats moored in the Harbour pre-December 2011 a sewage treatment plant or similar if they currently do not have any such existing system.

Depending on each houseboat's suitability it may be that we will need to consider the use of holding tanks.

We have already obtained information on houseboats with fitted systems so as to build our data base relating to each system for reliability and performance.

3. This will be subject to an overall caveat that we obtain satisfactory planning permissions for an aggregate of 32 houseboats in total.

Due to dealing with other BHT matters we are currently running late on dealing with planning aspects relating to this BHIC initiative; however this will not alter our overall commitment. Discussions with the LPA were originally commenced prior to the approval of the LDC; these have recently been re-commenced.

4. We would remind you of one of your principle Aims and Objectives – "*The proper management of sewage disposal*" and hence can we expect BHT to support this initiative?

5. We have no obligation to installing such systems into the new houseboats on plots 3 and 4; however part of the capital receipt from these two sales will be utilised for [a] the cost of the houseboat installations and [b] the purchase of a dredger.

You mention my email of 15/11/2017; the comments give the words 'groyne' and 'additional dredging' as examples and not as commitments. We do not foresee any of the capital receipts from houseboat plots being allocated to the Bembridge groyne.

6. As regards your request for commercially confidential information, we do not propose to disclose any such detail to you at all.

BHT has no standing to request or subsequently receive any such information.

We attach a copy of our statement that was issued thru' BHAG on 10/01/2019 to remind you of our position which still remains.

We would be grateful if you would cease from requesting any financial information from us in future.

Regards,

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