REPLY BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE STATES' TRADING SUPERVISORY BOARD TO QUESTIONS ASKED PURSUANT TO RULE 14 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE BY DEPUTY LESTER QUERIPEL

Question 1

In relation to the work currently being undertaken on the St Peter Port Harbour sea bed, if any of the material from the sea bed is discovered to be contaminated in any way, can you tell me please how it will be disposed of?

Answer

As part of the current site investigations, seabed samples are being collected and will be tested in a UK laboratory to determine if there is any contamination within the Harbour. The extent and nature of any contamination will then determine the most suitable treatment, containment or disposal options.

Question 2

Will the results of the work currently being undertaken on the St Peter Port Harbour sea bed be made public?

Answer

The results from the various investigations will form part of the Pool Marina policy letter which will be published in December 2022.

Question 3

I believe I'm right in saying that any work, particularly dredging, on the sea bed in our harbours, is only permitted up to a certain distance from the harbour walls and the foundations for the harbour piers. So can you tell me please:

- a) Am I right in saying that?
- b) If I am right, then can you tell me please what that permitted distance is?

Answer

There are no prescribed limits for work on the seabed next to existing Harbour structures, however wherever any such work is required, including dredging, Guernsey Ports will carry out a risk assessment to determine the extent so as not to structurally compromise any walls, piers or other existing structures. As part of the Pool Marina study, an engineering assessment is being made as to how close to existing structures dredging can be undertaken, along with any mitigation measures that could improve the extent of the dredged areas.

Question 4

Can you tell me please how many staff are currently employed at St Peter Port Harbour by the States of Guernsey and what their job titles are?

Answer

As at the end of February 2022, Guernsey Ports has 68 staff (64.9 FTE) whose role is specific to the Harbour. A further 14 staff (13.6 FTE) are working in roles which are split between Guernsey Airport and Guernsey Harbours.

The job titles for these 82 staff are listed below:-

Assistant Harbour Master
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Assistant Registrar of British Ships
Bosun
Business Support Assistant
Capital Works Manager
Carpenter Journeyman
Chief Commercial & Infrastructure Officer
Chief Operations Officer
Cleaner
Commercial & Estates Executive – Ports
Commercial Manager (Ports)
Coxswain
Crane Driver
Crane Driver
Crane Driver
Crane Driver
Crane Driver - Foreman
Deputy Capital Works Manager
Deputy Commercial Manager (Ports)
Electrician
Electrician
Executive Support Officer
Fitter
Harbour Attendant
Harbour Attendant
Harbour Attendant
Harbour Attendant

Harbour Attendant
Harbour Attendant
Harbour Attendant
Harbour Attendant
Harbour Master
Head of Passenger Services
Head of Ports Operations
Head of Technical & Estates Services
Maintenance Office Supervisor
Maintenance Staff
Maintenance Staff
Maintenance Worker
Managing Director - Guernsey Ports
Marina Attendant
Marina Cleaner
Marina Manager
Marina Services Officer
Marina Services Officer
Marine Services Assistant
Mechanical Engineer
Mechanical Fitter
Plumber/Improver
Ports Business Manager
Ports Safety & Risk Manager
Ports Training and Compliance Officer
Programme Office Manager
Project Civil Engineer
Sarnia Coxswain
Seasonal Marina Attendant
Stakeholder and Liaison Officer
Stores Person / Plant Operator
Technical Works Manager
Vessel Traffic Service Officer

Vessel Traffic Service Officer
Welder / Fitter
Welder / Fitter
Welder / Fitter

Question 5

Does the Fish Quay in St Peter Port Harbour meet the needs of local fishermen and are there sufficient moorings on the Quay for our fishermen?

Answer

The Fish Quay facilities, whilst adequate, could be improved and reflect the age of the current facility.

There are currently nine boats on the waiting list for 'alongside' Fish Quay moorings. Two of these are already accommodated on the Fish Quay but have registered a need to change their mooring provision.

All but two of the remaining vessels are currently accommodated elsewhere in St Peter Port Harbour and a third is moored on the west coast.

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