

**REPORT ON BEHALF OF THE ASSET MANAGEMENT GROUP**

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**SUBJECT: FRESHWATER EAST BOAT PARK LEASE RENEWAL**

**BACKGROUND:**

The Authority's extensive land ownership at Freshwater East includes a Boat Park and slipway situated close to the southern end of the beach. The Freshwater East Boatman & Fishermans Association were already occupying the Boat Park prior to this Authority's acquisition of the land in 2002. That occupation was subsequently regularised for the first time in 2003 within the terms of a new occupational lease. The Association have remained as tenants of this Authority to the present day and are currently holding over following the expiry of their most recent lease in March 2011, whilst negotiations for its renewal take place.

Those negotiations have now been concluded subject only to a resolution of the National Park Authority. In summary the provisionally agreed terms reflect a 20 yr full repairing and insuring lease effective from March 2012 incorporating 5 yearly reviews and a commencing rental of £1,750pa. They also provide for the National Park Authority to manage the use of the slipway by all users as, if and when required.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Members authorise the granting of a lease renewal to the Freshwater East Boatman & Fishermans Association on the terms outlined above.**

*(For further information, please contact Gary Meopham, Estates Officer)*