

BASINGSTOKE CANAL JMC– 16 OCTOBER 2014

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Questions and Petitions-Item 4**Public Question (1) from Duncan Paine to ask:**

John Cale of John Canal Cruises is ceasing trading on the Basingstoke Canal as of the end of this season, and as such should not be represented on the JMC. Could I therefore ask that the Accessible Boating Association replace him on the committee. When the meeting in October 2013 held a ballot for Special Interest Groups to be co-opted on to the committee Accessible Boating was one vote behind John Cale, who was the last co-opted member. With him now not being eligible for the committee I ask that ABA succeed him on the committee.

Reply:

The Constitution of the Joint Management Committee states that the Committee may co-opt "up to 5 other non-voting individuals and representatives of special interest groups as necessary." Co-opted members "shall normally be co-opted for periods of 4 years". There is nothing in the terms of reference and constitution to indicate that a co-option is automatically ended in the circumstances described in the question, and there is therefore no vacancy amongst the co-opted members of the Committee at present.



Mr Keith Chapman
Chairman of the Basingstoke Canal JMC

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