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Subject: **Re: Meeting with Norman Baker**

From: **Mike Waters <mike@safetyuk.co.uk>**

Sent: **09 December 2010 11:12:41 AM**

To: **CooperU@parliament.uk**

Cc: **fozia.chughtai@dft.gsi.gov.uk, townclerk@pz-towncouncil.fsnet.co.uk, norman.baker@dft.gsi.gov.uk**

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Dear Mr George

thank you for responding to our request to be included in the meeting with Mr Baker next week.

Penzance Chamber of Commerce was asked several weeks ago whether we would like to be included in the meetings with Mr Baker prior to them being arranged and we responded positively to the suggestion.

Our sole intention is to ensure that the wishes of the majority of businesses in Penzance and the Isles of Scilly are represented and that the plans for the harbour, formerly known as "Option A", proceed without further delay. We have no desire to draw the Minister into an issue of local contention as you claim in your letter, merely to ensure that the Minister is provided with the true facts of the case. By arranging for a minority group, purportedly representing local businesses, who have the sole objective of promoting an alternative scheme to that which has been developed with full consultation over many, many years it could be seen that their opinion is put above that of the majority.

As you quite rightly say, the Minister has been made fully aware of the the opinions of the Penzance Chamber of Commerce, the Penzance and District Tourism Association and Island Tourism; as well as that of Cornwall Council and the Council for the Isles of Scilly (with whom he is meeting before the Town Council and Penzance Business Network) and I am sure that he will be able to see through any misleading claims that he may be presented with next week.

As an aside you refer to my personal opinions in your letter, it should be noted that nobody (including yourself) has ever asked my personal opinion on the matter of the harbour development. Many people cannot distinguish between me as an individual and my role as Chairman of Penzance Chamber of Commerce, a post which I have held for 11 years and to which I have been re-elected on an annual basis. I have always, and will continue, to represent the wishes of our members to the very best of my ability.

Our invitation for you to meet with the Chamber remains in place, as it has done since this issue first arose, hopefully one day you will accept.

Sincerely
Mike Waters
Chairman
Penzance Chamber of Commerce

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Sent: Wednesday, December 08, 2010 3:45 PM
Subject: RE: Meeting with Norman Baker

Dear Mr Waters,
Please find attached a letter from Mr George.
Regards,
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Casework Assistant to Andrew George MP

From: Mike Waters [<mailto:mike@safetyuk.co.uk>]
Sent: 07 December 2010 15:51

To: GEORGE, Andrew

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Importance: High

Dear Mr George

please find attached letter concerning the subject meeting and a request for the Penzance Chamber of Commerce to be included in the delegation.

I await your response.

Sincerely

Mike Waters

Chairman

Penzance Chamber of Commerce

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