

**QUEENBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Queenborough Town Council **Environment Committee** held on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022** in the Guildhall, Queenborough at 19.00

**Present:** Councillors Shiel, Beart, Telford, Fowle, Stockbridge, Darby, Marchington,  
The Clerk to Queenborough Town Council, Lisa Gransden.

**1. Apologies received:** Cllr Swarbrick (poolside with children) and Flew (holiday)

**2. Declaration of Interests:** None

**3. Public Questions:** None

**4. Julie Nicholls from the Tourist Information Centre on Sheppey**

Julie introduced herself and Oliver Edwards

Cllr Marchington entered the meeting.

Julie reported on the information centre, local facilities, how the information centre want to share Sheppey organisations literature with visitors and community. They have seventy volunteers and are open seven days a week with restricted hours on Sundays. Julie reported on the awards obtained by the centre.

Oliver Edwards creates Island videos on different platforms including YouTube and is happy to work on Queenborough videos.

Funding towards the operations of the Information Centre was requested and will now be forwarded to F&GP Committee for further consideration. **Action the Clerk**

**5. Minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

The minutes were reviewed, there was an amendment to item 10 and the wording was corrected to read ‘

Swale Rail will arrange installation of boards to windows because of live track on track side. Previously they have shut down the line to do these kinds of works. Cllr Swarbrick will contact Jenwood, and Cllr Beart will contact **Signs and Images Southeast Ltd** for quotations for mural boards. The clerk will send over material and sizes required.

the minutes were then adopted as a true copy and signed by the Chairman.

**6. Matters arising from meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022:** None.

**7. Chair's Remarks:** Cllr Fowle thanked everyone and asked anyone with ideas to bring them to this doing group.

**8. Environment projects;** the noticeboard for Rushenden will be further considered for placement in Rushenden, a suggestion being on placing on the Phase 1 site grass area at the entry point to the estate.

Cllr Telford will contact Unit Engineer to put the NHS bench in place.

**9. Reports from working parties.**

**a) Christmas Lights** – the clerk reported she had booked the reindeers and will continue to work through the list in preparation, a meeting will be set soon.

**b) In Bloom** – Cllr Telford reported on local judging, bollard painting on the 9<sup>th</sup> of September along North Road and SSEIB results on 14<sup>th</sup> September.

**c) Allotments** – Cllr Telford reported on the next meeting being on 12<sup>th</sup> September.

**d) Community Emergency Plan** – Cllr Shiel reported on the work on the plan so far with the Clerk.

**e) Food Bank** – Cllr Darby reporting it had gone up in requests.

Councillors agreed in principle for the food bank storage to be moved into the kitchen of 44 High Street based on Cllr Marchington drawing plan submitted this evening. Cllr Beart will obtain some carpet protector to go onto the new carpets whilst the food bank continues to operate through the front of the building. Cllr Marchington and Cllr Darby will clear the back garden for access via the gate so the food bank can be operated through the back door of the premises. Action was taken this evening due to movement of heavy equipment to allow for carpet laying this week.

**10. Public relations/Website and Newsletter** – None

**11. Correspondence** – None

**12. Late inclusions** – None

**13. Any Other Business**

Cllr Telford Crundells Wharf is there a notice for toilets from ferry, answer was yes, and All Tide Landing have toilets.

Cllr Telford Queenborough Parks have not shelter or shade. Ideas were for triangle sail shades, levelling up tree fund.

Cllr Beart lamp column reported opposite Old House at Home with wire exposed.

Cllr Stockbridge thanked everyone for her wedding card.

Cllr Shiel met with local children regarding ideas on what to do in the area.

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Cllr Shiel the Skate Park and multi ballpark has no path for access during winter months. Cllr Beart suggested starting to prepare information for submission for funding to the SAC later in the year.

Cllr Shiel reported the light does not work.

The Clerk reported on Red Ensign Flag day on 3<sup>rd</sup> September, Cllr Beart agreed to raise the flag at the Queenborough Park for the Council.

Cllr Beart reported on the forthcoming naming ceremony for the new RNLI lifeboat in Queenborough, further details to follow.

The Clerk asked about the left-over bottled water from the recent emergency operation, it was agreed for the Clerk to clear and advertise on Social Media first at a small cost, to give some to wildfire and sheerness swimming club and ask the school.

Being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.30

**Date of next meeting: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022**