

QUEENBOROUGH SOCIETY MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 3rd JUNE 2016 IN THE GUILDHALL AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT

<u>COMMITTEE</u>; Mr. P. Reckless (Chairman) Mr. E. Pye

Mrs. L. Vine Mr. R. Eatwell

Mrs. O'Callaghan

MEMBERS: None present

1) APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received for Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Eatwell, Mrs. P. Harris, Mr. Moore, Mr. & Mrs. Mason and Mrs. Barker, Mr. & Mrs. Hancock, Mr. & Mrs. Boosey (members). The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 6th May 2016 were agreed to be a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

3) MATTER ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Condolences were minuted for Mrs. S. Harris whose husband had passed away. Mrs. O'Callaghan reported how nice the area at the bottom of Stanley Avenue was looking with the ducks and swans and the return of more wildlife.

4) MUSEUM:

Mrs. Vine reported that the end of May had been quite but a small group had visited during the week. The launch of the Museum film went very well with some positive feedback. Lyn Newton, from Swale Borough Council had purchased a film for The Sparrows Nest at Lowestoft which the Museum will be sending off shortly. The Sparrows Nest has always supported the Museum and the Wildfire Parade.

Mrs. Vine along with Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Wilson had made a visit to the Kent Archives at Maidstone on behalf of the Charter Celebration Committee to view archive material. They had viewed a certified copy of the Charter of Edward III with a fragment if his seal. It is likely that the Museum will be able to borrow this for the celebration week although permission will be needed from Swale Borough Council who would be regarded as the owners of the document this should not be a problem. There would be insurance cost of course and the item would be safely housed in the new cabinet. A visit had also been made to Kew to view other archives but it seemed clear that there was more of interest at Maidstone.

5) HARBOUR:

Mr. Eatwell had seen a demonstration of a 'wheelie boat', a fibre glass construction of 12ft x 8ft with a roll on roll off for wheelchairs. Although a good idea it seemed unlikely that this type of craft could be used safely at Queenborough harbour.

6) OUT AND ABOUT:

Mrs. O'Callaghan reported that some rubbish bins were missing she thought they may have been removed for replacing. This was not the case and Mr. Pye said that this should be reported to Swale Borough Council.

The Town Council had some concerns with the Wind Turbines and vibration close to the sea defences. The Environment Agency had been contacted but no reply had been received at this moment in time.

7) TOWN COUNCIL REPORT:

Lisa Gransden the new Town Council Clerk is now in post.

8) <u>SOCIAL PROGRAMME</u>:

Picnic in the Park - 1st July 6.30pm

Sept - fish & chip supper to be discussed

Nov - Autumn Social - new film by Colin Harvey

Dec - Christmas dinner - Nic's Restaurant

9) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Pye was impressed with the Five Bridges carvery.

10) DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

1st July Picnic in the Park 6.30-pm