

QUEENBOROUGH HISTORY & CONSERVATION SOCIETY MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 27th OCTOBER 2023 AT 7.00pm

<u>PRESENT</u>

<u>COMMITTEE</u>; Mrs. P. Harris (Chairman) Mr. P. Reckless

Mrs. L. Vine (Secretary) Mr. G. Mason Ms. C. Howard (Membership) Ms. M. Pye

1) APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received for Mrs. J. St. John Knight and Mrs. A. Mason

2) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 15th September 2023 were agreed to be a true record by those who had been in attendance and duly signed by the Chairman.

3) MATTER ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

To finalize arrangements for the Social Event to be held on the 3rd November.

The Secretary confirmed that all invites had been sent out.

The order of the evening was agreed as;

Welcome by the Chairman, the Speaker, Wine & Cheese, Presentations, Raffle, Close.

It was agreed to purchase 4 bottles of red wine and 4 bottles of white wine. Mrs. Vine and Mrs. Harris would purchase these along with a selection of cheeses and crackers, orange juice, lemonade, and serviettes. Mrs Vine and Mrs. Harris would wash the glasses on the morning of the event. Mrs Vine would supply washing up liquid and t-towels. The Museum would donate a raffle price and committee members were asked to bring something along for the raffle on the evening. Ms. Pye and Ms. Howard would approach local businesses for a contribution. Mr. Reckless and Mr. Mason would serve the wine on the evening and Ms. Howard and Ms. Pye would run the raffle.

4) MUSEUM:

The Museum is due to close for the winter at the end of October. There will be a full report at the AGM.

5) TREASURERS REPORT

Mrs. Vine reported the following;

A Treasurers Bank Account has been opened with Lloyds Bank. This had been done online which took 21 days and a cheque book and paying in book have now been

received. At the moment there is only one signature required which was the quickest way to open the account, but another signature can be added at any time.

The Treasurer further reported that the account had been opened with a £500 anonymous donation given by a friend of both the Society and Mrs. O'Callaghan. They were anxious that being unable to trace the money there be no blight on Mavis's good character, and with some money in the account the Society could move forward.

6) <u>MEMBERSHIP UPDATE</u>

Ms. Howard had nothing to report but would be taking membership forms to the Social on the 3rd in the hope of persuading more people to join.

7) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Vine now has a web link to any planning application that involved Queenborough and would check this regularly, reporting to committee members when necessary.

It was noted that the Abbott's site was not in the Master Plan, something to watch out for. It was also suggested that maybe the Society should have a representative on the group that will be looking at the Neighbourhood Plan.

8) <u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u>: 2nd February 2024 7.00pm