FIRST AID HUT

23 DECEMBER 2015

TERM OF LEASE	5 years
START DATE	26 July 2012
END DATE	25 July 2017
RENT	£1

- The smallest of the Assets VTC currently holds on lease is the old Lifeguards' Hut
  on the Esplanade now rebranded as the First Aid Hut.
- We actually occupied the Hut first for the June September season of 2011 as the base for our new Beach Safety Project funded by a grant of £6,250 from the IoWC in response to that Council's decision to stop funding Lifeguards from that year.
- O The funding report for that first season of the Project proved its worth as the following extract shows:
  - The 121 safety incidents included: warnings to swimmers/dinghies too far out and/or too close to rocks.
  - The 66 first aid treatments included: wasp stings, weaver fish stings, cuts & grazes and sprains.
  - The 9 assisted rescues included: wading out up to waste-depth to assist swimmers and amateur surfers.
  - The 3 major incidents, involving 999 calls, were: an assault resulting in injuries, a woman suffering from heat stroke and a man who had a stroke.
- Consequently, the Project has continued each season season since and extended its cover to the period from Easter to October funded by the £6,250 a year from the IoWC until 2013-14
- O When the IoWC withdrew funding for the 2014-15 financial year, VTC included its funding in the Precept for future years with the support of the annual residents' consultation meeting.