TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 50/22

13 JUNE 2022

The purpose of this Report is to record developments since the last meeting not requiring an Agenda item at this meeting.

No. DETAILS

I) VENTNOR COMMUNITY PANTRY OPENING

- a) The Pantry was formally opened by County Councillor Debbie Andre at noon on 30 May. The Baby Box team had completed an amazing job of reorganising the floor space to accommodate their now two separate thanks to a team of volunteers including two staff from Morrisons. County Councillor Rodney Downer also attended.
- b) The Town Council is proving Payroll Services for its Coordinator.

2) PLATINUM JUBILEE TREE PLANTING

- a) The Town Council marked the Platinum Jubilee with the planting of a tree in Ventnor Park on 3 June.
- b) The Rev Canon Hugh Wright blessed the planting of a new *Sorbus* tree, together with the Mayor and County Councillor Gary Peace as part of Ventnor's commitment to the Queen's Green Canopy initiative.
- The ceremony was followed by a Jubilee cream tea at the Putting Green with a charity donation to the Wellbeing Café.

3) WELLBEING CAFÉ JUBILEE PARTY

- a) Ventnor Wellbeing café held a Jubilee party and barbeque for its members at Salisbury Gardens on the Green with a background of period music and members dressed up.
- b) The Mayor joined the group for the afternoon and handed out some well-deserved merit awards on behalf of the café for people who have gone the extra mile in helping the group in some way.

4) NEW BEACH SAFETY TEAM

- a) Our two new Beach Safety Workers, Ventnor residents Bethany Whitehead and Lloyd Wheatley joined manager Brian Roberts on 1 June for the start of the season's Beach Safety service.
- b) It will provide cover from 11am to 6pm until 30 September.

5) CHILDREN'S PAVEMENT GAMES

- a) The Paddling Pool area was packed with families enjoying the new children's games area on Sunday 29 May; the snake, hopscotch and copy me games were officially launched with the help of the Junior Carnival Queen and her Princesses.
- b) Young musicians from the Chiltern music academy then entertained us with their wind and jazz band
- c) The finale was a moving song with the musicians all standing on the Paddling Pool's Island.

6) WORKING GROUPS

- a) The Assets & Services Working Group met on 17 May and will meet again on 14 June.
- b) The Community Development Working Group's next meeting is on 16 June.
- c) The Sustainability & Biodiversity Working Group met on 25 May and its next meeting is planned for 6 July.

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