



TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 65/22

12 SEPTEMBER 2022

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

No. DETAILS

1) SUCCESSFUL FUNDING APPLICATIONS

- a) There have been two more successful funding applications in the month.
- b) Tony McCarthy's application to the Household Support Fund for £5,000 for Ventnor Foodbank was approved as was that of our Youth Worker Jordan Royl's application to the Barclay's Football Foundation for £500.
- c) These bring the total of external funding secured by the staff team for the Town Council's work over the last 10 years to within touching distance of half a million pounds at £494,336.

2) WELLBEING CAFÉ TRIP

- a) The Café took some of its members on a boat trip to remember on Friday 19 August when Cowes Sailability were hosts for the afternoon and arranged a special treat for the group's members aboard the fabulous specially adapted 'Wet Wheels' powerboat another Charity who hail from the Hamble.
- b) The group spent over an hour charging around the Solent under the watchful eye of skipper Ian and his crew, treated to some very fast boating and all had a turn at taking the helm.

3) VENTNOR HAVEN OUT TO TENDER

- a) On 22 August the Isle of Wight Council published an invitation to tender for the management of the Ventnor Haven for five years from 1 April 2023.
- b) Responsibilities include: supervision of the harbour, management of the berths, collection of berthing income, maintenance of the pontoons and harbour infrastructure, full insuring liability, reporting all accidents and incidents, provision of monthly reports, compliance with the Port Marine Safety Code (PMSC), compliance with all relevant legislation, including Health and Safety, Statutory returns to the Marine Management Organisation (MMO) and removal of seaweed in accordance with the current MMO licence.

4) COUNTY COUNCILLORS MEETING

The Mayor, Alison and I met with our two County Councillors, Gary Peace and Rodney Downer on the afternoon of Monday 15 August for what has settled into a very useful monthly meeting to keep us all up to date on developments.

5) WORKING GROUPS

- a) The Assets & Services Working Group met on 23 August and plans to meet next on 13 September.
- b) The Community Development Working Group's met on 18 August and has agreed to meet next on 22 September.
- c) The Sustainability & Biodiversity Working Group met on 6 September and plans to meet on the first Wednesday of each month.