

**Minutes of Faversham Town Council's Creek Working Group
held virtually on Wednesday 1st March 2023**

Present:

Cllrs A Hook (Chair), K Barker, M Henderson, T Martin, A Reynolds and J Rowlands

In attendance: Adrienne Begent (Deputy Town Clerk)

1.	<p><u>Apologies</u></p> <p>Apologies were received from Cllr H Perkin.</p>	
2.	<p><u>Declarations of interest</u></p> <p>DNPI's were noted from Cllrs Barker, Henderson, Hook, Martin and Reynolds</p>	
3.	<p><u>Minutes of 7th December 2022</u></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 7th December 2022 were approved as an accurate record of the meeting. (Proposed by K Barker, seconded by Trevor Martin). The minutes had been presented at Full Council on 12th December.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <p>It was agreed that all matters arising would be discussed under their Agenda Item.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Front Brents Jetty</u></p> <p>The Deputy Town Clerk confirmed that the grass matting had been laid at the launching area. Cllr Henderson commented that the launching area could be used by members of the public.</p> <p>The Deputy Town Clerk informed members that a representative from <i>Iam Electrics</i> had visited the jetty and looked at the lighting system. The Town Caretaker was waiting for the quote.</p> <p>It was noted that there is one socket on the jetty. Once the electricity was reinstated members would need to consider securing the socket or ways to charge mooring holders for electricity usage.</p>	
6.	<p><u>Belvedere Road Moorings</u></p>	

	<p>It was reported that all moorings at Belvedere Road were taken. One boat still needed to relocate to the Front Brents Jetty.</p> <p>At the time of the meeting mooring fees were outstanding on two boats. The first had been sent a final letter informing the boat owner that the debt would be pursued through the small claims court if the outstanding invoice is not paid. The second boat is the subject of probate. The DTC had written to Tassells Solicitors on two occasions asking for confirmation of when the invoice for 2022-23 would be paid and the date that the boat would be the responsibility of the new owner, but had not received a reply.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Ladders at Provender Walk and Belvedere Road Moorings</u></p> <p>The Creek Management Company (CMC) had shared the quote they had received from S and A Steel Services Ltd for ladders. The Town Caretaker had met with a representative from S and A who had confirmed that unit price would be the same for the Town Council and would submit a written quote.</p> <p>A quote for five ladders had been submitted by Force 5 Engineering.</p> <p>The Town Caretaker had undertaken a site visit with SESS Fabrications and the was waiting for the written quote to be submitted.</p> <p>MME Engineering had be invited for a site visit.</p> <p>It was agreed to wait for all quotes before making the decision on how to proceed.</p>	
8.	<p><u>Cinque Ports Rowing CIC</u></p> <p>Mr Alan Thorne (AT) attended the meeting and provided an update on the Cinque Ports Rowing CIC. He tabled two proposals which were considered by members.</p> <p>It was proposed by Micheal Henderson, seconded by Trevor Martin and on being put to the meeting it was RECOMMENDED that the Cinque Port Rowing CIC be offered space to store three skiffs on the Front Brents Jetty at no charge for a year. The required davits would be paid for by Cinque Port Rowing.</p> <p>AT had confirmed that the fourth skiff (not yet launched) would be kept on a trailer, so it could be easily transported to other locations.</p> <p>The second and more complex proposal needed more exploration and discussion. It was agreed that during the forth coming year it would be investigated fully.</p>	
9.	<p><u>Creek Bridge</u></p> <p>The leaflet had been sent to every address in Faversham week commencing 20th February. 519 signatures had been entered online. 158</p>	

	<p>paper slips had been returned to the Town Hall, many of these had two names on them.</p> <p>Breakthrough Communications were yet to start the social media campaign, so more responses were anticipated.</p>	
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