Minutes of the Meeting of Faversham Town Council 10th October 2022, 7pm The Guildhall, Faversham

Present:

Cllr T Martin Cllr Barker Cllr Thomas Cllr Hook Cllr B J Martin Cllr Henderson Cllr Jackson Cllr Barker

Cllr Saunders Cllr Perkin Cllr Rowlands

In Attendance:

Louise Bareham (Town Clerk) Becky Duffy (Minute Item 625 only)

Presentation from Faversham Umbrella

Becky Duffy delivered a presentation on behalf of Faversham Umbrella – see Appendix 1

Following the presentation, Cllr T Martin invited questions.

Cllr Perkin asked Becky Duffy if she was aware that the Swale Borough Council Eastern Committee had made £12,000 funding available aimed at easing the cost-of-living crisis. Becky Duffy advised the Faversham Umbrella as part of the Faversham Community Network would be submitting a bid for funding.

Questions from members of the Public

None.

625. Apologies for Absence

Apologies with reasons were received from Cllrs Cavanagh, Irwin, Reynolds and Williams, on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the apologies from Cllrs Cavanagh, Irwin, Reynolds and Williams.

626. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

None.

627. Minutes of the Town Council

Cllr T Martin proposed, seconded by Cllr Barker and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the **Minutes of the Town Council dated 8**th **August 2022.**

628. Mayor's Announcements

Cllr T Martin referred to the passing of Her Majesty the Queen on 8th September 2022 and said he wished to thank the Town Clerk, the Deputy Town Clerk and the remainder of the staff in the office for planning the arrangements at short notice to mark the passing.

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Henderson and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to formally record its condolences to King Charles III following the sad passing of Queen Elizabeth II. The Queen's lifetime of duty was remembered with gratitude and respect by the Commonwealth and the World. The Coronation of the new Sovereign was looked forward to with optimism. God save the King.

Cllr A Hook thanked Cllr T Martin for his fantastic efforts in representing the Town Council during the period of the Queen's passing.

629. Community Committee

It was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr Jackson and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the **Minutes** of the **Community Committee** dated 5th **September 2022**.

It was proposed by Cllr Perkin, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the **Minutes** of the **Community Committee** dated 3rd **October** 2022.

630. Faversham Creek Working Group

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr Rowlands and on being put to the meeting it was *RESOLVED* to accept the *Minutes* of the *Faversham Creek Working Group dated* 5th October 2022.

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr Rowlands and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the recommendation to make an application to the Environment Agency for a permit to lay grass matting.

It was proposed by Cllr Hook, seconded by Cllr Rowlands and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the recommendation that the grass matting for the launch site be purchased and laid.

631. Lighting and Footpath on Anderson Development

It was proposed by Cllr B J Martin, seconded by Cllr E Thomas and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** the recommendation be amended to

"Faversham Town Council approves the lighting and requests KCC to adopt the footpath and lighting in perpetuity".

It was proposed by Cllr Henderson, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** that "Faversham Town Council approves the lighting and requests KCC to adopt the footpath and lighting in perpetuity".

632. Request for Use of Town Crest

Following a discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr Perkin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** that the use of the Faversham crest be agreed on the basis that the crest use the correct colour scheme of red for the front and silver for the back for the three lions, the flag used is the Progress Pride flag and a donation from the proceeds of sale to a local LGBTQ+ charity.

Cllr Hook suggested the Town Council's rights over the Crest be explored. Cllr B J Martin suggested a policy be developed regarding the licensing of the Crest.

633. Memorial Request

It was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr Thomas and on being put to the meeting it was *RESOLVED to write to the appropriate organisations to seek permission to install a plaque in commemoration of Queen Elizabeth II, following the request made to the Town Council by Alexa, aged 10.*

It was agreed Cllr T Martin would write to Alexa to thank her for the request.

634. Bank Hubs

Cllr T Martin reported The Banking Group are undertaking surveys and a meeting would take place later in the week. Facilities for cash transactions in addition to being able to obtain cash were being considered.

It was agreed to write to The Banking Group to seek wider consultation (including the Town Council) regarding future banking provision in Faversham.

635. Newsletter

A minor amendment was required in the first paragraph of the God Save the King article where "Elizabeth" was missing in the line.

It was proposed by Cllr Barker, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to accept the **Newsletter**.

636. Receipts and Payments

It was proposed by Cllr Henderson, seconded by Cllr T Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to agree receipts and approve payments from October 2022.

It was noted that September payments were paid under delegated powers due to the cancellation of the previous meeting.

637. Private Session

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr B J Martin and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the sensitive nature of the business to be transacted.

638. TS Hazard and Town Quay

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Hook and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** that this item be deferred to the Heritage and Buildings Working Group

639. Staffing

It was proposed by Cllr T Martin, seconded by Cllr Barker and on being put to the meeting it was **RESOLVED** to re-appoint **Miss Emma Sunley as Finance Clerk.**

640. Complaints Committee

The Minutes of the Complaints Committee dated 15th August and 5th October 2022 were noted.

The meeting closed at 9pm.



Registered Charity No: 1180736

CONTACT DETAILS

Opening Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

10am-3pm.



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Email: info@favershamumbrella.org

OUR MISSION

We like to think of ourselves as a place where you can come to meet others, gain confidence and make friends. Faversham Umbrella is here to support all members of the community in any way we can by providing a safe and friendly environment. We provide facilities and activities for everyone, in a safe and non-judgemental way, for companionship, friendship and support.

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I would highlight that the number of vulnerable people in our community is sadly increasing and Umbrella has responded by thinking much more broadly about what makes people 'vulnerable'. I think this is important as many still think of Umbrella as a place for those with mental health problems. Although we are concerned with mental well-being, people can be vulnerable and require support for many reasons including poverty and social exclusion.

John Irwin, 2022-09-05T07:29:38.407

ACTIVITY TIMETABLE



ACTIVITY TIMETABLE JUNE-JULY 2022

Contact: lavinia@favershamumbrella.org to book

Tuesday

10-11am Drop In Computer Use-Computer Room

10-12pm Coffee Morning-Café [accessible]

11-12pm Arts Group with Louise -Art Room

Wednesday

10-11am Relaxation Group with Lisa-Loft Room

11-12pm Card Making with Amiee- Art Room

11-12pm Crochet & Knitting with Toni-Café [accessible]

11-1pm French Group with Cecile-Computer Room

Friday

11-12pm Singing Group with Frank-Computer Room

11-12pm Yoga with Alison-Loft Room

12.30-1.30pm Creative Movement Therapy-Loft Room

I would point out that all activities and classes are always available free of charge to participants. John Irwin, 2022-09-05T07:04:58.080 JI0

WORKSHOPS

NHS HEALTH CHECK

6TH SEPTEMBER

10:00-15:00

DIGITAL INCLUSION (KCC)

First Wednesday of every month 10:00-12:00

RED ZEBRA

Second and Fourth Wednesday of every month 12:00-15:00

STRESS BALL WORKSHOP

4TH NOVEMBER 10:00-13:00

FIRST AID AT WORK TRAINING AND FOOD SAFTEY TRAINING IN SEP/OCT

FACILITIES



- Café Open 10am-2pm with reasonable priced food
- ➤ Large Art Room
- Fully Operational Workshop
- Fully equipped computer/training/conference room
- ► Large open loft space

All rooms are available to Hire to local organisations or charities or by partnerships









PARTNERSHIPS

We work with multiple different organisations, charities and Groups to enhance the range of services we provide

- ➤ Red Zebra
- > KCC Digital Inclusion
- Kent Adult Education
- > Optivo
- > NHS Health Checks
- > Faversham Foodbank

We have also set up the Faversham Charity Networking Group

I would point out that we only partner/rent space to organisations that align to our values and offer there services free of charge..we don't rent to any commercial organisations in contrast to others with 'community space.'

John Irwin, 2022-09-05T07:15:42.456



Every Thursday 6.30pm-8.45pm at Faversham Umbrella

COURT STREET, FAVERSHAM, ME13 7AT (REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1180736)

CREED YOUTH HAVE PARTNERED WITH FAVERSHAM UMBRELLA CENTRE TO PROVIDE YOUTH ACTIVITIES IN FAVERSHAM FOR YOUNG PEOPLE OF SECONDARY SCHOOL AGE (12-17YRS) ITS FREE AND ALL WELCOME

- Pool / snooker
- Table Tennis
- Video Games/ Board Games
- Table Football
- Arts and Crafts
- Free Food/drinks in Café
- Meet New Friends
- Music BT Speaker
- Chat to Experienced Youth Workers
- · Get Advice/ Help
- Summer Camp



CREED OUTDOOR LEARNING HAS RUN YOUTH CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES IN FAVERSHAM FOR MORE THAN 10 YEARS. THE YOUTH CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES PROVIDED BY CREED YOUTH ARE FUNDED BY CREED OUTDOOR LEARNING TRUST, EITHER THROUGH INCOME GENERATED FROM ACTIVITIES AT OUR ADVENTURE SITE IN MILLENNIUM WOODS, TEYNHAM OR THROUGH THE SALE OF FAVERSHAM & DISTRICT COMMUNITY LOTTERY TICKETS SOLD ON BEHALF OF CREED OUTDOOR LEARNING

YOUTH GROUP

We have partnered with Creed Outdoors to provide a Youth Group in Faversham.

This is on a weekly basis (Thurs evening) Term time only
Our attendance numbers are growing, starting at 2/3 growing to 20
We are hoping to increase to two days a week in the next academic year
The group did a one night camping trip in July

SUBSTAINABILITY

We are increasing our revenues of income in the following ways in order to support the charity and become more sustainable

- Café reasonable price, but free meals available to those in need, free kids meals for school holidays
- ➤ Room Hire to groups and organisations with like minded visions.
- Commission donations from our handcrafted woodwork pieces and % of artwork sold in building
- Fundraising we are holding more fundraising events to promote our services

BUT...our financial model will never be fully self sustaining as we react to our visitor requirements.. We can only open our doors because of the generosity of our funders

I would insert a big BUT here ..our financial model will never will be self sustaining. We can only open our doors JI0 because of the generosity of our funders John Irwin, 2022-09-05T07:22:37.176

FUNDERS

FAVERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL
KENT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
BENSTEAD'S CHARITY
NATIONAL LOTTERY
CO-OP
GROUNDWORK (TESCO)

REBRANDING umbrella

We are currently rebranding our look with a new logo and website.

MEET THE TEAM

We have a great team of volunteers who support Faversham Umbrella. We would not be able to provide the services we do without them.

14 volunteers

7 Group Leaders who run our activities

Our volunteers not only help us manage the centre day to day, they also oversee some of our fundraising activities like our summer fair and regular quiz nights.

We have 3 part-time members of staff

FUTURE PLANS

- ➢ Warm Bank − A place where people can come during the colder months to keep warm, stay dry and have company. Utilise our computers and WiFi network.
- ➤ Youth Work Increase our Youth interaction with Creed Outdoor Youth evenings
- Faversham Charity Networking Group Bring all local charities together for signposting, collaborative working with each other and NHS, joint bids and much more so that we can all serve our local community more