

**NEW ORFORD TOWN TRUST  
REGISTERED CHARITY 1053729**

**The Town Hall, Market Hill, ORFORD, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP12 2NZ**

**Minutes of the 265<sup>th</sup> meeting held on  
Wednesday 19 July 2023, at 6.30pm, in the New Room of Orford Town Hall**

**MINUTES**

Present: Cllrs I Thornton, N Addy, C Ambury, M Iliff, A Macro and R Mallett. Treasurer and Clerk in attendance.

**1. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs M Green (work commitment), J Howard (urgent commitment), K King (prior engagement with Parish Council business), and G Wingrove (holiday).

**2. Acceptance of Apologies**

The above apologies were accepted by the Trustee.

**3. Declarations of interest**

Cllr N Addy: river user; Cllr C Ambury: mooring holder, plot holder and river user; Cllr M Iliff: member of Orford Sailing Club; A Macro: allotment holder, supplier to Orford Country Market, Chairman of the Recreation Ground Charity, Chairman of the Orford Good Neighbour Scheme, and married to a quay user (fisherman); Cllr R Mallett: relative of an allotment holder, partner of an NOTT employee; Cllr I Thornton: river user.

**4. Minutes of the 264th meeting held on 21 June 2023**

These were agreed and signed as an accurate record.

**5. Matters arising from the 264th meeting held on 21 June 2023**

There were no matters arising.

**6. Treasurer's report**

- Cheques and balances from 1-30 June 2023  
These were accepted and signed by the Trustee.

**7. Committee reports**

- No Estates/Highways meeting
- No Riverside meeting

**8. General Trust business**

- Update re meeting with National Trust: the Chairman reported that he, Cllr G Wingrove, the Quay Warden and the Clerk had met with representatives from the National Trust and discussed the new landing craft. This will probably be used around once a month to take across visitors with mobility problems, probably on a vehicle, as well being used to take equipment, vehicles etc over to the Ness. The landing craft will not spend time waiting at the slipway or on the Quay, it will load and go.
- Hedgehog Highways Project: Cllr K King had suggested that NOTT might consider funding some equipment relating to a project to encourage people to leave gaps or holes in hedges or fences to enable hedgehogs to roam easily. A box of products including Hedgehog Highway surrounds can be purchased for £150 and Cllr K King had suggested that this might be something that the school might be interested in. It was agreed that

NOTT would be happy to purchase this if the school was interested. As it is nearly the end of the summer term, it was agreed that the Clerk would contact the school in September about this.

- Pontoon: Cllr I Thornton reported that he and Cllr G Wingrove would be meeting with someone the following day to discuss a possible pontoon off the Quay. More information should be available at the next meeting.
- Cllr I Thornton reported that the Quay Warden had done some research and felt that NOTT might need to consider putting railings on the side of the Quay near the slipway for health and safety reasons. The Clerk will discuss this with the Riverside Chairman.

**9. Correspondence:** there was none.

**10. Items for next meeting:** Trustee's report

The meeting ended 6.47pm.

**11. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 20 September 2023, at 6.30pm**