

**NEW ORFORD TOWN TRUST
REGISTERED CHARITY 1053729**

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

**Minutes of the 247th meeting of the New Orford Town Trust held on
Wednesday 20 October 2021, at 6.30pm, in the New Room of Orford Town Hall**

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs I Thornton (Chairman), C Ambury, M Green, J Howard, M Iliff, A Macro, R Mallett, M Smy, P Smith and G Wingrove. Treasurer and Clerk in attendance.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr S Backhouse (illness).

2. Acceptance of Apologies

The above apology was accepted.

3. Declarations of interest

Cllr C Ambury: mooring holder, plot holder and river user; Cllr M Green: allotment holder, and Secretary and supplier to Orford Country Market; Cllr J Howard: member of Orford Sailing Club, plot holder, mooring holder and river user; Cllr M Iliff: member of Orford Sailing Club; A Macro: allotment holder, Manager and 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 P Smith: river user and member of Orford Sailing Club; Cllr M Smy: allotment holder, plot holder, mooring holder; Cllr I Thornton: boatyard user and river user; Cllr G Wingrove: boatyard user, river user, and married to an allotment holder.

4. Minutes of the 246th meeting held on 15 September 2021

These were agreed and signed as an accurate record.

5. Matters arising from the 246th meeting held on 15 September 2021

- Cllr J Howard reported that EFM would start work outside Pinneys and on filling the QSCP potholes on 1 November. He has spoken to Pinneys and to the other residents to let them know that this will be happening.
- The Clerk reported that she has now had written confirmation from East Suffolk Council that planning permission has been granted for NOTT to put up 2 swift boxes on the side of the Town Hall opposite the old smokehouse. Cllr P Smith will arrange for these to be put up.
- Cllr M Smy has strimmed the area next to the path in Bakers Lane.

6. Treasurer's report

- Cheques and balances from 1-30 September 2021
These were agreed and signed by the Trustee.

7. Committee reports

- No Estates meeting
- No Riverside meeting

8. General Trust business

- Trustee's report: after a minor amendment this was agreed by the Trustee and the Clerk will now send it off to Scrutton Bland for inclusion in the Charity's annual report.

Cllr M Green entered the meeting at 6.45pm.

9. Correspondence

- Email from Leslie Short (Artisan Planning and Property Services), acting on behalf of the developer and landowner of the Friends Garage site. This was discussed at the Parish Council meeting last week, after a letter and possible plan for the site were sent by Artisan to every house in Orford. Those involved with the Friends of Orford Community Interest Company (CIC) had put together a response to this which would be delivered to every house in Orford over the next few days, saying that the suggested plan from Artisan had not been put together in conjunction with the CIC or the Parish Council. Members of the CIC would be meeting very soon and already had an alternative plan in hand for the commercial element of the site. The CIC will then be in touch with the Parish Council to seek input and approval about their proposals. The current proposal from Artisan poses a number of problems (a commercial element which appears to be two separate buildings and is not big enough to be viable, a layout which may well not be acceptable to Suffolk County Council Highways etc).

10. Items for next meeting

Applications for money from Village Fund

The meeting ended at 6.50pm.

11. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 17 November 2021 at 6.30pm in the New Room