**NOTES OF THE MEETING OF THE**

**MARGATE CHARTER TRUSTEES**

**28TH NOVEMBER 2022**

Present: Cllr Heather Keen, Cllr Charlie Leys, Cllr Horace Shrubb, Cllr Harry Scobie,

 Cllr Mick Tomlinson.

Apologies: Cllr Alan Currie, Cllr Helen Whitehead, Cllr Rob Yates.

The meeting being inquorate the matters for consideration on the agenda could not be decided upon. The Mayor gave an update on:

Engagements. The engagement schedule is sent to all Charter Trustees so the Mayor did not elaborate on events notified. The Mayor had attended other organisations and made a visit to the Menin Gate where she laid a wreath on behalf of Margate,

On 21st November, the Mayor attended the Funeral of the Lord Boyce, Warden of the Cinque Ports.

On 26th November, the Mayor and Deputy attended the lighting of the Cecil Square Christmas tree and commented on the fantastic day long event organised by Jack Packman.

The Mayor is keen to visit and support local organisations and groups and asked Charter Trustees to let her of any groups who would like a visit from the Mayor – it doesn’t have to be anything fancy.

The next large event will be the Blessing of the Seas on 8th January 2023, and would like to see as many Charter Trustees as possible attending this major event in the Mayoral calendar.

The Mayor gave an update on the Town Council where we currently have 2320 signatures. A stall will be held at GRASS Christmas celebration on 3rd December if anyone would like to help. A concerted push will be made in the New Year and suggestions for where we could hold a stall; Margate Football Club has been suggested.

We need to provide a protocol for the Mayor’s cadet (to be tabled at the next meeting) also

Amendments to the Mayoral Protocol to state that Past Mayors will receive a badge as they currently do, but do not have robes, as this has been enquired about.

The Mayor gave an update on the staffing situation but this will have to be deferred to the next meeting.

Accommodation and Storage. This is a sensitive issue so needs to be treated as confidential. The Mayor had visited Foy House at TDC’s request but found the storage on offer unsuitable on a number of grounds.

The Mayor’s Fund. The Mayor gave an update on the current position and thanked Horae for a successful quiz and curry night.

The Mayor had also attended the blue plaque unveiling.

The Charter Trustees present would like to see a Christmas Tree in Market Place.