

Extraordinary Meeting 29th June 2020

Item 11 a) – Trevor Chadwick Commemoration – Request for approval for site of statue

From: John Corben

Sent: 19 June 2020 10:37

To: Martin Ayres

Subject: Trevor Chadwick

Dear Martin,

I have been asked by the Mayor, Cllr Mike Bonfield to send you a briefing to update the Council regarding our proposal to erect a statue to commemorate Trevor Chadwick.

I am pleased to say that, since our inaugural meeting on 16th March 2020, The Trevor Chadwick Memorial Trust has made good headway.

- 1) We have been accepted by The Swanage and Purbeck Development Trust to work under the 'umbrella' of the Trust, thus enabling us to conform to the Charity Commission's Regulations without going through the time consuming process of seeking registration ourselves.
- 2) We have been in touch with a number of local and regional Jewish organisations who have expressed their enthusiasm and support for our project.
- 3) Two members of our group have visited a well know local artist, Moira Purver, to look at her work and studio to see whether she would be a suitable person to undertake the commission.
- 4) Members of our group visited the Swanage Recreation Ground to look at a possible site for the statue. It was unanimously considered that the best location, subject to the Council's approval, would be the area immediately to the west of the children's play area. There are bushes on the site at the moment, these could be easily removed if required. We considered this site would be the most advantageous as it is level, easily visible, close to the children's play area (children playing is an important part of the commemoration) and would enable the surrounding area to be attractively landscaped if donations permitted.

It is the group's aim to raise around £80,000 by way of donations to fund the statue. Once it has been completed it would be handed to the Council for the benefit of the town.

We hope to complete the project by the summer of 2022, after that the Trust will be disbanded.

I hope that this information is helpful. I will, of course, keep you advised of all future developments and will be pleased to answer any questions which may arise. We are really grateful for the encouragement and support that we have received from Swanage Town Council, can you please express our appreciation.

Best wishes

John Corben

Chair - The Trevor Chadwick Memorial Trust