



Felixstowe Town Council £800 Donation

March 22nd 2020.

Dear Debbie.

I must start this report by thanking you for your impute and our Town Council for the kind and generous donation that they have made to St John in Felixstowe. So many groups and organisations have benefitted so much by the amounts that they have been given over the past years. On behalf of St John in Felixstowe "Thank You Very Much" !

At the moment, here in Felixstowe, SJA are going through a period of change. We have recently lost our Unit Leader as she continues on another journey in St John. This has contrived to us having to go to Ipswich once a month to pursue our training with our colleagues in the Ipswich Unit, on a Monday instead of our usual meeting in Felixstowe, every Tuesday.

Before the Coronavirus outbreak, we intended to pursue a recruitment campaign during the months of April and May. We now obviously have to wait a considerable number of months before we get this project underway. Also, at the same time, another Unit Leader was to be appointed to carry us forward with all our training and be in place to help us cover any public duties that come are way. Both topics will happen when the appropriate time arrives.

Now, on to the financial aspect of my report. Nowadays, all donations, monies obtained from public duties and our medical comforts distribution all goes into one pot, for all Units to request for when they require any substantial amount. When your donation of £800 was paid in, all the details of the payment were entered so that we can identify the amount that we in Felixstowe require. I am not sure of the exact time, but a number of years ago, all units (then called a Division) had their own Superintendant, Secretary, Public Duties Officer and Treasurer, but this is now not the case, hence we have to apply for any amounts that we require when we purchase any item.

Subsequently, we will not be purchasing a new gazebo for a period of time; how long that will be, I cannot tell you at this particular time. I fully understand that this is not what you would have liked to have been told. As soon as I can let you know that Felixstowe St John Ambulance has brought their new gazebo, I will let you know.

Going back to the Coronavirus Pandemic, I have been told that the transport side of the organisation are involved in some form, exactly what, I cannot tell you.

Once again, thank you all for your donation to St John in Felixstowe. When any more information comes my way, I will immediately pass it on to you.

Yours Faithfully.

Tony Lazell SB Sj