Royal Gunpowder Mills meeting the 4th of August 2018

-presented by EFDC external bodies representative Cllr Helen Kane

First, I need to thank the Chairman for additional information sent to me since the last meeting of the Operating Company Board, in August, with the following developments for notice: -

- 1. The 3 new Trustees who have legal and business experience are now actively involved in WARGM affairs.
- 2. There is to be an Away Day on Sept 11th for Board members to discuss future initiatives to broaden WARGM's appeal.
- 3. There is to be an autumn visit to Chatham Dockyard to understand its operation and draw upon their experience of running a comparable site.
- 4. There is to be another meeting of the joint Working Party with the Foundation next week (in September) to discuss the future of WARGM. No firm decisions yet.
- 5. The **Way Forward** is being expanded and other supporting documents are being produced by the Operating Company. A future for New Hill is under active discussion.
- 6. A potential investor/developer has shown interest in the site.
- 7. Urgent repairs to some buildings have been agreed by the Foundation.

Further and more detailed information to follow during discussions in the forthcoming scheduled meeting in October 2018

Cllr Helen Kane