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QUAY PLACE

To whom it may concern:-

During the life of this Heritage Lottery Funded project we have commissioned a heritage consultant and artists to help us interpret the history of the church. This was a project to bring a 500 year old church in the middle of Ipswich back to life, to give it a new sustainable use and to give it back to the community. This involved many aspects including new flooring, annex etc. However, an extremely important element of this project was to involve the local stakeholders and community and then work with reliable, innovative artists to collaboratively create and produce beautiful, practical pieces of work that would be in the building, that explore the history of the church and engage a new generation.

We commissioned Blue King to work on this consultation, and she very ably worked with the local community, schools, maritime and historical organisations to help us look at how we might do that. As a result of this community consultation we commissioned Tim Germain, Ange Leinster and others to work on projects. The following was produced and is in Quay Place and can be viewed during our opening hours:-

- A table for children to play, with a train track, that is a semi replica of the waterfront of Ipswich, with most importantly the old wharfs and quay names, including some of those no longer in use. This is a well-used item of furniture that Tim made and Blue commissioned an artist to design the top.
- Café Tables that have brass rubbing pictures on them collected by Blue and Tim from schools and referral units in Ipswich, and feature a design by Ange Leinster that captures the Pounders (who were important people to St Mary at the Quay). These are in place and used every day.
- Tim assisted with the 3 benches that now sit in the Quay Place garden. These were designed with another local craftsman and were made from a tree that fell in Holywells park.

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- Rope Board, Tim worked on this with Des Pawson MBE, a known expert on rope history, to enable people to have a go at making knots
- Time Table which displays history of the church is in the making.

Blue, Tim and the team were very adaptable and professional and I would have no hesitation in recommending them for further work. I am happy to discuss further if required.

Yours Faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ginny Idehen".

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