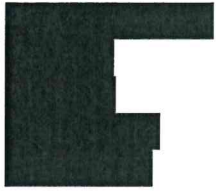


## Appendix 9



17 March 2024

To whom it may concern,

I have known Mr Marriot for over 30 years and have found him to be an invaluable member of the community. When I first met him, he was representing local teams in football and was a well-liked member of the teams he played for. He would often give up his time to support the teams in fundraising events.

However, it is in the later years that I really got to know him in my role as a Headteacher. I have found Mr Marriott to be a kind, caring and an extremely generous supportive member of the community. During my time as Headteacher of two local schools Mr Marrott gave both time and resources at no cost to the schools to support them with building projects that would otherwise have cost the schools thousands of pounds out of already stretched budgets. This meant that the money saved could be redirected to support the children in their educational journey.

Not only did he support the schools I worked at, but he also supported the local Nursery with providing support through free labour to disassemble and remove what had become an unsafe large climbing frame. He then gave further help by erecting a new shed that was needed for storage by the nursery.

As the landlord of the George and Dragon he has supported several local football and cricket teams by allowing them to use the pub as a base to run from. He supported them in fundraising events that enabled them to raise valuable money to cover the many costs associated with running a local sports team. As well as supporting these teams he has also supported numerous charities fundraising events.

Furthermore, at Christmas time he has supported the local villages both within and outside the parish by organising a selection box drop for all the children. In dressing as Santa Clause and delivering selection boxes to all the children in these villages he brought great joy to many. This was done at considerable cost to himself but was done through kindness and caring for others.

Mr Marriott is a kind, caring and supportive member of the community who has done many things to help others and he continues to support the community through many events. I feel privileged to have got to know Mr Marriott over many years and knowing him as I now do I feel he will continue to support the community in the future.

If you have any further queries with regards to Mr Marriotts qualities, I would be happy to expand on this.

Yours Sincerely

Kevin Flint