



The Keogh Foundation is currently reviewing a partnership with Newquay Town Council in the gifting of a surf statue to the people of Newquay, which will celebrate the importance of Bluewater surfing to the town, which is a major contributor to the economy in lieu of jobs, tourist attraction and funding.

The statue depicts a bronze surfer riding a wave, will stand at 5 metres tall (16 feet), and will celebrate the start of Bluewater surfing which came to the bay 60 years ago. Mr and Mrs Keogh established the charitable trust to help develop the local community and causes around the Town. The statue is costing roughly £100,000 to manufacture, which Mr and Mrs Keogh have raised through the actions of the Keogh Foundation.

Bluewater surfing began in Newquay 60 years ago and anyone who wanted to have a blast at surfing would have to have brought their surfboard from a manufacturer based in and around Newquay! There was nowhere else in Great Britain, or even Europe for that matter, who manufactured surfboards and the Newquay based manufacturers exported them to the UK and throughout Europe, spanning France, Spain and Portugal.

Newquay Town Council would be responsible for the initial costs of siting; both in the provision of a suitable site and the preparation (such as the installation of a concrete base, electricity supply for lighting, insurance costings and security provision), which has an estimated cost of £10,000.

It is expected that the ongoing maintenance costs, for matters such as electricity, cleaning and insurance, would come to roughly £500 and £800.

Newquay Town Council have identified two locations on which the Surf Statue can be situated on, these are Fistral – Esplanade Green and the Killacourt. There were several other locations which would have been ideal, such as Fistral Battery, Fistral Beach Tolcarne Beach and Towan Headland, however, these weren't suitable due to ground works and appropriate licensing.

Newquay Surf Statue



This project has been on-going for several years now and has stemmed across two previous consultations, however, the Keogh Foundation and Newquay Town Council would like you to have your say on the final whereabouts of the Surf Statue, by filling out the below survey:

First Name:	
Surname:	
Post Code:	
Where would you prefer the statue be located:	<input type="radio"/> Fistral – Esplanade Green <input type="radio"/> Killacourt <input type="radio"/> Neither location