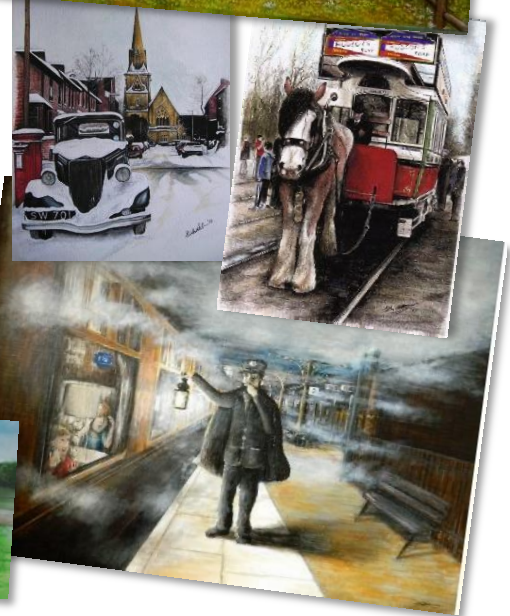


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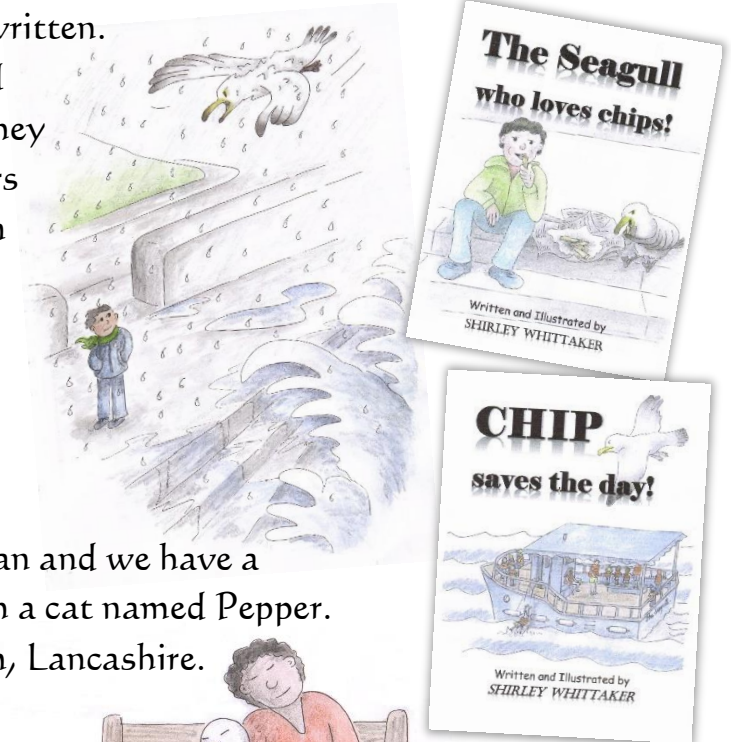
The ARTIST

I have always loved to draw and be creative. During my years at school I sketched pencil portraits of those around me. Later, I experimented with colour, painting wildlife and pet portraits. Now I have a passion for painting Locomotives. I also enjoy painting cars and other modes of transport too.



The WRITER & ILLUSTRATOR

I published my first children’s book on Kindle in 2015: “*The Seagull who loves Chips*”, followed by “*Chip saves the day*”. They were inspired by my love of the seaside and my dad, who had asked me to illustrate some of the books he had written. My books are about an unusual seagull who befriends a lonely boy. Together they educate the young reader on the dangers of the sea mixed with an element of fun and advice.



The PERSON



I enjoy reading mystery books and taking photographs. I am married to a wonderful man and we have a teenage daughter together with a cat named Pepper. We currently reside in Oldham, Lancashire.

