

## Snodland Town Council – Amenities and Recreation

3 February 2022

Committee Members present:	Mrs D Crook (C), Mrs A Barden, Mrs S Bell, A Bennison, P Hickmott, Mrs D King,
Council Members present:	Mrs K Sowten (CEO)
Members of the public:	None

1.	<p><u>Apologies for absence</u></p> <p>Apologies were received from W Mallard, Mrs N Misy and Mrs K Mordecai-Woolf</p>
2.	<p><u>Declaration of Interests</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
3.	<p><u>Minutes - To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 14 October 2021</u></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 14 October 2021 were agreed as a correct record.</p>
4.	<p><u>Questions from the public</u></p> <p><i>Pursuant to Standing Order 3 e &amp; g Members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of the business on the agenda. A member of the public shall not speak for more than 3 minutes.</i></p> <p>There were no members of the public present.</p>
5.	<p><u>Snodland goes cleaner</u></p> <p>Cllr Hickmott to lead on the litter pick scheduled for Saturday 5 February 2022 at 11am at Ladds Lane, meet at junction with Manley Boulevard. It was questioned whether it was safe to litter pick Ladds lane as it is a Highway. There are High Viz jackets available. Cllr Hickmott suggested that Holborough Park could be another area that could be litter picked. This has been advertised on Facebook and Website. The next litter pick will be on Sunday 6 March 2022 at 11am at Willowside.</p> <p>The CEO reported that she had received a complaint about the litter along the top of Holborough Road (towards the BP garage). This is being investigated with TMBC and a litter hit squad is being deployed on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February. Cllr Hickmott advised that if they had enough volunteers they would also look to litter pick that area as well.</p> <p>The CEO reported that she had received a complaint regarding litter, overgrown brambles and poor state of street furniture at Ham Hill entrance to Snodland. The CEO advised that the area where the brambles are does not belong to the Town Council. Council requested that enquiries are made to find out who owns the land and request the area is cleaned up. They also</p>

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	requested that the Council look into refurbishing the street furniture that belonged to the Town Council.
6.	<u>Snodland Events</u>
6.1	<p><u>To discuss volunteer involvement</u></p> <p>The CEO advised that the office had only received one volunteer response from the newsletter sent out in December. It was suggested that a new campaign was put out on social media, the website and notice boards advertising the meeting and calling for volunteers to attend.</p>
6.2	<p><u>To agree event dates for Jubilee (2.6.22) Carnival (2.7.22) Fireworks (2.11.22) Remembrance (13.11.22) Christmas in Snodland (26.11.22)</u></p> <p><b>0824</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept the event dates for 2022 as follows – Queens Platinum Jubilee Thursday 2 June 2022 Carnival Saturday 2 July 2022 Fireworks Wednesday 2 November 2022 Remembrance Sunday 13 November 2022 Christmas in Snodland Saturday 26 November 2022</p>
6.3	<p><u>To set a date for the Snodland Events Committee Meeting</u></p> <p>A date of Thursday 3 March 2022 was agreed for the meeting, which will be advertised on Social Media and the Website. It was also suggested that if Volunteers were unable to attend the meeting they could request their names be added to a volunteer list to assist in the future.</p>
6.4	<p><u>To consider planting a tree to commemorate Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee by supporting the Queen's Green Canopy Project.</u></p> <p>The Committee discussed different types of tree and also an area to plant a tree.</p> <p><b>0825</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee to plant an oak tree in the Recreation Ground in an area close to the picnic benches. To be mindful of the drainage pipes that run across the Recreation Ground.</p> <p><b>0826</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> to purchase an A4 plaque with stakes at £179.99 to commemorate the planting of the tree as part of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations.</p>
7.	<p>To receive an update on the pump track</p> <p>The CEO advised that British cycling places to ride, who are funding part of the scheme were concerned that there was no learn to ride area on the existing</p>

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<p>0827</p> <p>0828</p>	<p>plan. Councillors had also previously requested that a learn to ride area was part of the project and therefore a new plan is being drawn up to incorporate a wheelie strip, learn to ride area and pump track. The new 2D drawing was not available at the meeting, however the Committee was provided with a sketch of what the new design would look like. The CEO also advised that there were currently some issues with the Landfill Trust Grant and Tarmac supplying the raw materials. This has been raised with Hierarchy at Tarmac. She went on to advised that a Topographical survey would be required for which a quote had been received in May 2021 for £852.50, which may be subject to slight change due to the time scale since the quote was received. There may be a requirement for a drainage survey, however this has not yet been confirmed.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to approved the revision to the project. Once the new 2D drawing is received the CEO will email to all councillors.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to carry out a Topographical survey at a cost of £852.50 (cost may vary as quoted in May 2021) and drainage survey if required.</p>
8.	<p><u>To discuss the Car Park and Pathways at the Community Centre</u></p> <p>The Community Centre raised concerns regarding the level of mud that is again being left by the Football Club. The CEO advised that she had been in contact with the Football club and all the managers had been issued with Bask Brooms and told to make sure the area is clear of mud after each game. A councillor asked the CEO to confirm if there was a clause in the football clubs pitch agreement regarding fines for non cleaning of paths. The CEO confirmed that there was a clause and the CEO would reiterate this to the club.</p>
9.	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>An email had been received regarding the poor condition of the Bowls Club Car Park. The email requested a short term fix to the problem by having some Type 1 aggregate laid on the surface. The Committee felt that this was not a cost effective way forward and requested that the CEO obtain quotes for the resurfacing of the Car Park.</p>

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20:20 .