

Snodland Events – 19 September 2023

Attendees:	Gary Ellis (Snodland Brownies/Rainbows, Hazel Maynard (Army Cadets), Chris Sharp (Army Cadets), Mr Steve Cameron, Rev Danielle Pearson-Smith, Les Yates (Friends of All Saints Church), Maria Ellison (Chairman Snodland Scouts), Cherie Adams (Snodland Football Club)
Councillors present:	Mrs D Crook, P Hickmott, A Bennison, and Mrs D King, Mrs S Bell, G Miners
Council Members present:	Mrs K Sowten (Chief Executive), Mrs Helen Comber, Mrs Trudi Kinslow, Roly Kinslow
Apologies:	Cllr Mrs K Mordecai-Woolf, Cllr Miss V Lawrence, Cllr D Morgan, Helen Orme (WI) , Chris Gentry (WI), D Higgs, Mrs V Waller (Snodland Community Cricket Club) Mr Land (Headteacher St Katherines School), Sam Harding (Devonshire Rooms Pre-school)

Minutes – to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 23rd May 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 May 2023 were agreed as a true record.

Carnival – Saturday 6th July 2024

1.	<p><u>Actions from this year's carnival</u></p> <p>This year's carnival procession had very poor attendance with group numbers dwindling each year. Snodland Town Council decided at the last Amenities and Recreation meeting that the procession would not take place in 2024. The events at Potyns should be enhanced to create a bigger event for the community.</p>
2.	<p><u>To consider how the Carnival should evolve in 2024</u></p> <p>Arena events should be brought back for 2024. There needs to be more effort put into the entertainment on the day at Potyns. All events should be external no using the community centre.</p> <p>Live bands/singer with a stage, short sets for local groups in the Arena between band/singer performances, bigger fair attractions, inflatables, make a whole day of the event. A list of suggestions is attached.</p> <p>Fire engine, police car</p> <p>Must be mindful of the amount of space available.</p> <p>Army cadets volunteered to put on mini activities throughout the day if they have enough notice.</p> <p>Fairground need to look at wristbands/cost.</p> <p>Changes need to be made to the layout, which were discussed and mapped out on a plan.</p> <p>The day should be about the community and there may be less money collected for charity.</p> <p>Snodland Football club will look to see what they can do to assist and become more involved.</p>

3.	<u>Advertising</u> Website, notice board and social media
4.	<u>Any other Items</u> Cadet/volunteers need to be catered for (approx. 24)

Fireworks – Wednesday 8th November 2023

1.	Actions from the last meeting Security booked Road Closure – completed First aiders – booked Road Closures – carried out by Councillors Football club bar will be open Fairground – small rides in car park
2.	Any other Items - None

Christmas- Saturday 25th November 2023

1.	Actions from the last meeting No confirmation on electric from the BT building There may be the possibility of electric from the old public toilets, if not a 4kva generator will need to be used. The position of the choir may need to be relocated outside the new restaurant. Confirmation is required that the DJ is available. Choir has been contacted No stall holders have come forward for a stall. This needs to be advertised on Website, social media and notice boards. A competition for best dressed stall was suggested but decided against. Rudolph the Rodeo ride needs to be booked and Christmas crazy golf may also be an option, however this will be dependent upon space. The smaller sleigh is booked. There were concerned regarding not using Wheel of Cuxton Sleigh. Cllr Miners will investigate the use of the old sleigh. The Mayor is booked. Santa has been approached and will be available. The Community Centre has a PA system available for use.
2.	Advertising Website, notice board and social media.
3.	Any other Items No presents required this year.
4.	Budget – balance £5073.81 A & D donated the sweets for 2022.

1.	Charities for the Year 2023 (All proceeds to be shared equally)
	Mens Mind Project
	Girl Guides (Rainbows, Brownies and Rangers)
	Kent and Medway Partnership Trust
2.	Date of next meeting Tuesday 20 February 2024 at 7pm

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20.28.