

Snodland Town Council – Amenities and Recreation Minutes

21st January 2025

Committee Members in attendance:	Mrs D Crook (C), Mrs J Ayers, P Hickmott, G Miners, M Wakefield and A Bennison
Non Committee Members in attendance:	Cllr D Lettington
Committee Members Absent with apologies:	Cllr W Mallard, D Morgan(VC), Mrs S Bell
Committee Members Absent without apologies:	Cllr S Loader, Mrs K Mordecai-Woolf, Mrs D King
Council Staff Present:	Mrs K Sowten (CEO) Mrs K Miners
Members of the public:	

1.	<u>Apologies for absence</u> see above
2.	<u>Declaration of Interests</u> None
3.	<u>Minutes - To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 28th November 2024</u> The minutes of the meeting held on the 28 th November 2024 were agreed as a true record.
4.	<u>Questions from the Public</u> <i>Pursuant to Standing Order 3 e & g Members of the public may make representation, 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>
5.	<u>Snodland Goes Cleaner</u> Suggestions: To review the new schedule. To change the time to 10.30 2 nd March – footpath between Clocktower and Holborough garage to Holborough school. 05 th April – Willowside 4 th May – Neville Park 7 th June – Holborough Park and Ladds Lane 6 th July – Potyns and Paddlesworth Road 2 nd August – Recreation Gound 7 th September – Neville Park/Salting Road

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1367	<p>4th October – Churchfields – from church along footpath towards Vantage Point.</p> <p>8th November – Cemetery and Potyns</p> <p>6th December - Willowside</p> <p>Volunteer at your own risk.</p> <p>To advertise - children will remain on footpaths and not on the lanes.</p> <p>RESOLVED to amend the litter schedule as detailed</p>
1368	<p>6. <u>To consider a request to provide top up funding from the general reserves for the Learn to Ride Area Renovation Project at Potyns Sportsground pump track.</u></p> <p>The CEO reported on the success of obtaining a grant of £10,000 from access sports for the learn to ride area. Historically it was always the intention to finish the learn to ride area, as insufficient funds were available from the original build.</p> <p>Access Sport have carried out a costing exercise which is anticipated at £17000.</p> <p>Access Sport will provide £10,000, Snodland Bike club to provide £1500 Snodland partnership to donate £3000. This leaves STC with £2500 to find for this project.</p> <p>Suggestions: Cllr – We’ve got to do it, with the level of funding already granted it would be an opportunity missed if STC didn’t fund the balance. Cllr - Seconded.</p> <p>Concerns were raised regarding the current level of damage being caused to the football fields from bikes taking a wide line off the pump track and whether it would be beneficial to investigate putting a fence between the pump track and the football field to provide some form of protection.</p> <p>It was also suggested putting in a pathway from the Paddlesworth Road Car Park to the Community Centre car park along side the pump track to enable greater use of the Paddlesworth Road Car Park for visitors to the pump track and also to make the area more accessible when the benches/picnic tables are installed.</p> <p>The two bins currently held at the yard need to be installed as lot of rubbish is accumulated there.</p> <p>RESOLVED Snodland Town Council to donate £2500 from General Reserves towards the learn to ride renovation project.</p> <p>ACTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add fencing and pathway suggestion to the next Amenities and Recreation agenda for consideration.

