SNODLAND TOWN COUNCIL

28 April 2016

Council Members present: Cllrs P Misy (Chairman), Miss A Moloney (Vice Chairman),

Ms D Alford-Smith, Mrs S Bell, Mrs B Brown, Mrs D Crook, Mrs L Downes, B Garlick, P Hickmott, A Keeley, D Keeley, Mrs K Mordecai-Woolf, D Purll, M Sawkins, S King

Mrs K Sowten (Chief Executive), Mrs V Tipp. Mrs H Comber

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Mrs B Keeley and Cllr Mrs S Hohler (KCC).

2. Declaration of Interest

Cllr Hickmott – Item 11.

3. Report from Neighbourhood Police Team

No members of the Neighbourhood Police Team present.

4. County Councillor's Report

There was no report from Cllr Mrs Sarah Hohler as she had previously presented this at the Annual Town earlier in the evening.

5. Questions from the Public

No members of the public present.

- 6. Chairman's Announcements
- 6.1 The Chairman informed the Council that on 21 March 2016 Cllr Miss Anne Moloney was made an Honorary Alderman of Tonbridge and Malling Borough. Congratulations were expressed by all.
- 7. <u>To Resolve that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 February 2016 are a correct record</u>
- 8. <u>To receive reports and consider recommendations of Council Committees</u>
- 8.1 Policy and Resources 2 March 2016 (pp 70-72)
- **0128 RESOLVED** Item 12 to accept the quotation for the maintenance of New Potyns at a cost of £10,000 pa, but only have work carried out on Old Potyns as and when needed as it does not need the same amount of work and for the CEO to speak to the Contractor to see if the price could be reduced to reflect this.
- **0129 RESOLVED** Item 15 to purchase enough of the medals for each child from Snodland at primary school in years Reception Year 6, with an estimated cost of £2,000.

The CEO reported that Snodland C of E School has already purchased and given each child a medal and St Katherine's School has purchased 100 medals to be given as prizes. It was agreed that the schools would be reimbursed for the ones already purchased and the Council would supply the extra medals needed for all children in the three junior schools in Snodland.

- 8.2 Planning and Environment 10 March 2016 (pp 73-75)
- 8.3 Amenities and Recreation –22 March 2016 (pp 76-78)
- 8.4 Planning and Environment 6 April 2016 (p 79)
- 8.5 Planning and Environment 19 April 2016 (p 80)
- 8.6 Policy and Resources 25 April 2016 (pp 81-82)
- **0130 RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Council's Policy and Resources, Planning and Environment and Amenities and Recreation, Committees held since 18 February 2016 be confirmed and accepted as part of the proceedings of the Council.

9. Reports from Borough Councillors

Cllr Mr Bell had attended the Snodland Community Implementation and Development Group.

Cllr D Keeley had attended the opening of the new Spa at Larkfield Leisure Centre.

- 10. Town Councillors reports on meetings attended on behalf of the Council
- 10.1 Cllrs Misy, Miss Moloney, Ms Alford-Smith, Mrs Crook, Mrs Downes, P Hickmott, A Keeley, D Keeley and Mrs Mordecai-Woolf attended the Queen's 90th Birthday Beacon Ceremony and the opening of Snodland FC's new stands.
- 10.2 Cllrs Misy, Miss Moloney, Mrs Bell and Mrs Crook attended the renaming of Holmesdale School evening.
- 10.3 Cllrs Misy, Miss Moloney and Mrs Brown attended a meeting with Berkeley Homes.
- 10.4 Cllrs Misy, Miss Moloney and Hickmott attended the funeral of ex-councillor and Mayor George Chapman.
- 10.5 Cllr Miss Moloney had attended a meeting with Cllr Mrs Hohler to agree a site for the speed sign in Malling Road.
- 10.6 Cllr Hickmott had attended a Twinning Association meeting and reminded members that it is the 30th anniversary and asked that an official gift be sent to commemorate this. Cllr Hickmott thanked the Council, on behalf of the Chapman family for the donation in memory of George Chapman.
- 11. To receive details of cheques signed since the last Council Meeting
 List of cheque payments, direct debits and transfers into reserve account from 19
 February to 31 March 2016 totalling £46675.09 and from 1 April 2016 to 28 April 2016 totalling £185090.78. Various questions were asked which the CEO was able to answer.
- 12. Report from the Chief Executive Officer
- 12.1 The Cricket Pavilion has new licensees but Brookland Lake Café is continuing to be marketed.
- 12.2 A quotation of £99,000 to re-lay the roadway on the northern side of the Cemetery has been received. The trees need to be removed as their roots are close to the surface of the roadway. Other options are being looked into.
- 12.3 Following recent discussions regarding proposed bus stops in Cemetery Road I am pleased to confirm that KCC will not be moving forward with this proposal.
- 12.4 Arriva Bus Company is keen to ensure that future community links are better between them and the Council.
- 12.5 The memorial benches have arrived for the wooded area at New Potyns and will be installed shortly when the best site has been decided.
- 12.6 Following interviews for a new Office Assistant to replace Mrs Tipp on her retirement Miss Elinor Jones will be join the Councils workforce on 1 June.

- 12.7 The replacement of the bus shelter in Holborough Road should begin in May.
- 13. <u>Correspondence</u> There is no correspondence.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.55 pm