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# SWANSCOMBE & GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL

## Recreation, Leisure & Amenities Committee

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Councillor Elizabeth Wickham

To all other Councillors: For information only

**A Meeting of the above Committee will be held on**

**Thursday 23 January 2025 at 7.00pm**

**at: The Council Offices, The Grove, Swanscombe,  
Kent, DA10 0GA.**

*Graham Blew*

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Town Clerk

Dated: 17 January 2025

*Should any member have any questions regarding the content of the agenda or attached papers, please put them to the clerk's office 24 hours in advance of the meeting.*

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## AGENDA

1. To receive Apologies for Absence (*Local Government Act 1972, s.85*).
2. Substitutes.
3. Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda (*Localism Act 2011, s.31*).
- \* ***As per Standing Order 34 c), and at the Chairman's discretion, the meeting will be adjourned at this point to allow any members of the public to address the meeting in relation to the business to be transacted at the meeting. Members of the public are allowed to (i) make representations, (ii) answer questions and (iii) give evidence relating to the business being transacted.***
4. Items as Deemed Urgent by the Chairman / matters arising from previous minutes and their position on the Agenda (for discussion/information only, not for decision).
5. To confirm the of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 14 November 2024 (*full Council 5 December 2024*). (*Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12, Para 41(1)*).

### 6. **SENIOR GROUNDSMAN/GARDENER'S REPORT (p).**

Please see the attached report.

**Recommended:** That the report be noted.

### 7. **TOWN CLERK AND RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT.**

#### 7.1 **RECREATIONAL FACILITY CHARGES 2025 – 2026 (p).**

Please find attached the proposed price increases, as previously agreed, the Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) has increased them by 3% overall and rounded up appropriately.

- \*\* All these figures were considered when members previously agreed the Estimates for the forthcoming 2025 – 2026 financial year (*minute 339/24-25 Finance and General Purposes Committee and minute 350/24-25 Special Full Council 9 January 2025*).

**Recommended:** That the setting of the Recreational Facility Charges 2025 – 2026 be endorsed.

#### 7.2 **ROUGH SLEEPERS.**

Further to minute 171/24-25 the remaining rough sleeper at Broomfield has now left and all the relevant organisations are aware.

**Recommended:** That the item be noted.

### 7.3 PLAY AREA COMMUNICATION BOARDS (p).

We are currently investigating funding sources to have Communication Boards (example attached) installed at each of the play areas throughout Greenhithe and Swanscombe.

**Recommended:** That the item be noted.

### 7.4 INGRESS PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE – UPDATE.

Further to the previous update, minute 226/24-25, the Planning Manager Eastern, Crest Nicholson has written advising that “following the approval of the Ingress Carpark and subsequent S106 agreement, we are in receipt of the Decision Notice, that requires a number of conditions to be discharged”.

They are scheduling a meeting to run through the points to enable the property consultant to produce a management strategy for submission.

**Recommended:** That the update, and current position, be noted.



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