

Swanley Town Council

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POLICY AND FINANCE

MINUTES

Wednesday 18th April 2018

Present: Chair Cllr M Horwood, Vice Chair Cllr V Southern, Cllr L Ball, Cllr L Dyball, Cllr M Hogg, Cllr R Morris, Cllr T Searles

Also Present: Cllr P Darrington, Cllr C Barnes, Cllr J Barnes

Officers: CEO - Steve Nash,
RFO - Steve Innes
Estates & Facilities Manager - Dan Sutton
Park Manager – Ryan Hayman
Democratic Services Officer - Barbara Playfoot

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Dyball – Member of Swanley RFC

10422 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To approve as correct the Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 21st March 2018

APPROVED

10423 SWANLEY RFC PRESENTATION

Cllr Horwood welcomed the Swanley RFC to the meeting

Paul Yates, Chairman of Swanley RFC spoke on behalf of the RFC and was supported by John Davis-Ashdown and John Aitkenhead. Paul Yates thanked the councillors for the opportunity of inviting them to give a short presentation, he ran through a series of points including the clubs achievements to date, their upcoming events and their challenges ahead.

Cllr Horwood congratulated the RFC on a good job setting up the club in such a short amount of time and the great community benefits the club has brought to Swanley.

Several questions were asked of Paul Yates regarding the Youth section launch on 10th June 2018 and who the RFC had approached to encourage the youth of Swanley to take part, he took on several suggestions regarding what schools would be beneficial to contact to recruit young players.

10424 TO RECEIVE THE MONTHLY FINANCES

- Cllr Southern commented that the reports were very comprehensive and he was pleased to see that the Alexandra Suite had performed financially better than anticipated with a net profit of £70,000.

Cllr Morris thanked the Venue Manager Kerina Keir and her team for an all their hard work which has achieved excellent results.

Cllr Southern went on to say that the Olympic was performing better than it had done in the past and that the CEO & RFO were clearly getting it right. He noted that there will be a loss in income as British Gas are no longer renting an office, the CEO confirmed that he had let out the flat at the Olympic and the resurrection of the Darts night and Darts team on Friday nights would generate further income.

Cllr Dyball questioned why the laundry bill was higher than the predicted budget, the CEO explained that if there were more functions there would be increased laundry requirements.

The RFO said that he will be using the Reports A/B/C/E/F/G as the final yearend figures for the Annual Report.

RESOLVED: To accept reports A/B/C/D/E/F/G

10425 TO CONSIDER CHANGE OF INSURER

To consider change of insurers based on the figures in the RFO's report

The change has been agreed on a 3 year agreement

Date of next meeting – 16th May 2018

MEETING CLOSED AT 20.43

If you would like further information on any of the agenda items, please contact Mr Steve Nash, on 01322 611663 or snash@swanleytowncouncil.gov.uk

Committee Members:

(Chair) Cllr M Horwood, (Vice Chair) Cllr V Southern, Cllr L Ball, Cllr L Dyball, Cllr M Hogg, Cllr R Morris, Cllr T Searles