

SNODLAND TOWN COUNCIL

AMENITIES & RECREATION COMMITTEE

29 AUGUST 2017

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Council Members present:	Mrs K Sowten (Chief Executive) and Miss E Jones
Members of the public:	None present

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2.	<p><u>Declaration of Interests</u></p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>
3.	<p><u>Minutes - To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 29 June 2017</u></p> <p>The minutes of 29 June 2017 were agreed a correct record of the meeting.</p>
4.	<p><u>Questions from the public</u> (<i>Members of the public are advised that they may speak for up to three minutes</i>)</p> <p>There were no members of the public present.</p>
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6.	<p><u>Replacement play equipment for the Recreation Ground and Nevil Park</u></p> <p>The CEO reported that the multi-unit which was situated in the Recreation ground, had been removed due to wear and tear and subsequently it was agreed that the Recreation ground needed the new equipment as soon as possible.</p>
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