MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held at the HENRY SAMUEL HALL on TUESDAY 13th July 2010 at 7.30pm Present

Councillor Robinson (Chairman)
Councillor Spires
Councillor Lund
Councillor White

Councillor Oatham
Councillor Evans
Councillor Houghton
Mrs J Rackham (Parish Clerk)

Sqt. Phil Morley, Mr Duncan (Transport Representative) & 4 members of the public.

17. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Hawkes & Cllr Massenhove.

18. Code of Conduct Declaring an Interest.

Cllr Evans, item 23 Highways, Traffic calming in The Drive Cllr White, item 25 Village Environment, Sea wall.

19. Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on Tuesday 8th June 2010 & 22nd June.

Cllr Spires proposed accepting the minutes from the meeting held on 8th June 2010 Cllr White seconded the proposal, all in favour. The minutes were signed and dated as a true record.

Cllr Evans proposed accepting the minutes from the meeting held on 22nd June 2010 Cllr Oatham seconded the proposal, all in favour. The minutes were signed and dated as a true record.

20. Public Discussion Session.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.26pm to allow the press and public to address the council. Sgt Phil Morley gave the council details of the latest crime figures. A patrol strategy is being developed which will result in increased patrols in Mayland. This will be implemented in the next couple of weeks. He has requested the mobile CCTV unit be deployed in Mayland. He will arrange for the speed camera van to visit Mayland too. The Alcohol Watch scheme is running in Mayland. The local shops have joined the scheme. The Councillors voiced their concerns and asked if they could offer a reward for information regarding the criminal damage at the Lawling Park. They also requested plain clothes patrols visit Mayland. The Chairman thanked Sgt Morley for attending the meeting.

The residents raised concerns over the platforms in The Drive. They did not object to them at the consultation stage but believe they are higher than the previously agreed height. They may damage property and the noise of vehicles speeding over the ramps are affecting their lives. The Chairman advised the residents that this item will be discussed by the council at this meeting and that they were welcome to stay and listen to the rest of the meeting.

Mr Duncan the council's transport representative advised the council of the changes to the bus pass system planned for April 2011. We have received a copy of the information and will be discussing this at the August meeting. The Chairman reconvened the meeting at 8.32pm

The Chairman proposed we discuss item 23 next, Cllr Oatham seconded the proposal. For ease Item 23 will be minuted in its original position on the agenda.

21. Lawling Park.

Each Cllr has received a copy of the minutes from the June LPC meeting. Any questions maybe put to Cllr Spires. Cllr Spires reported on the latest criminal damage. The Police Crime Reduction officer attended a meeting with the Councillors on Monday 12th July. She will arrange for the CCTV specialist to contact the Clerk and arrange a meeting to discuss our options.

LPH Security. Consider providing security whilst finishing phase 1. Due to the vandalism suffered by our contractor they are unwilling to finish phase 1 without some assurance from the council that they will take measures to secure the site. To finish phase 1 will take two weeks. We need to consider employing a security company to provide a security guard whilst our contractor is not on site from the hours of 4.30pm to 7am. The contractor has agreed to work full days on both the middle Saturday and Sunday to reduce the amount of cover required. The cost of providing this cover was discussed. The Chairman proposed an expenditure of up to £4,000 to cover the cost of security for the Lawling Park Extension, Cllr Lund seconded the proposal, all in favour. Clerk to action. We will need to take the money from other projects agreed in the 2010/11 budget to cover the costs. It was also suggested that CJ Bardwells be more security conscious and remove non essential items from site. It was also noted that we have also only 28 days before EDF energy will come to move the meter. The building must be watertight before this can happen.

Insurance stage cover. This is not possible; the building cannot be insured until it is in a lockable condition. Individual Councillors who considered patrolling the area at night would not be covered by our insurance.

Moving the containers. To move the containers to the proposed area by the school perimeter was discussed. Building Control do not have a problem with this however, a planning application will be required for the football club's container. Cllr Lund proposed we agree to move the containers and apply for planning permission, total expenditure of £1,000. Cllr White seconded the proposal, a vote was taken 6 yes and 1 abstain. Coppicing the trees in the ditch would also improve visibility on the site. Cllr Spires will contact a neighbour who is a retired tree surgeon. We have also been contacted by the probation service unpaid work scheme. Clerk to ask for their help with this.

Funding for phase 2. Decision may be required to borrow the money to complete the build.

We have £10,000 grant for phase 2. We need a further £20k minimum to complete the project. There is not enough money in reserves. The two possible options were discussed. 1. Contact Abbey Homes and ask for a pre-payment of our S106 money. The solicitor for MDC said they may allow us some "money up front" but would probably want to renegotiate the final amount.

2. Apply to the Public Work Loan Board (PWLB) for a loan. We could then pay this back when the S106 money is paid. We have applied to Magnox for a grant but they will not decide until the end of this year. Again if we were successful we could repay the loan early. Cllr Lund proposed we investigate borrowing the money from PWLB and approach Abbey Homes for the money to complete phase 2 from the S106 agreement. Cllr White seconded the proposal, all in favour. **Clerk** to action.

Environmental Trust. The deed was signed and witnessed. Clerk to action

Mobile CCTV unit. Sqt Morley has agreed to obtain this unit for use in Mayland.

Letter to Chief Constable. Responses. Noted.

22. Planning.

Correspondence, MDC. Street naming. Abbey Homes is proposing to name a road on its new development Thrumble Close. The Parish Council is pleased to support this proposal.

Consideration of applications for the council to make comment to the Planning Authority.

FUL/MAL/10/00409. PP-01088670. One bedroom bungalow, 51 Imperial Avenue, Mayland.

6 Objections, overdevelopment of site, access and parking problems, no amenity space, sets a president.

DET/MAL/10/05069. Compliance with conditions 3,4,6,10,11,12,13,14,15,17,18 and 19 of FUL/MAL/07/00638. Land off Teal Avenue Mayland. 6 No objections.

Planning Decisions made by the Planning Authority.

FUL/MAL/10/00253. Variation of condition 5 imposed upon planning permission FUL/MAL/07/00877 relating to hours of operation Joyce's Farm Southminster Road Mayland Essex

Approved subject to the following conditions:-

Planning Decisions made by Essex County Council.

CC/MAL/48/10. Construction of a single storey modular unit. Maylandsea Primary School. Katonia Avenue, Mayland. Approved

23. Highways.

Cllrs report of any problems and actions that maybe required.

Community speed watch report. Notification that we are on the waiting list to take part in this scheme has been received. It has been suggested that those residents who would like to take part in this scheme should attend NAP meetings. **Clerk** to write press release.

Bollards in Imperial Avenue report. The bollards would be 250mm (approximately 10") square and will rise 900mm (3') from the ground. The council agreed to accept the size and design of the bollards. **Clerk** to action.

Correspondence re: Traffic Calming Measures in The Drive, including Highways response. The council discussed the points raised by the residents who live near the tables and who have written to Highways. The measurements taken by the residents suggest that the tables are of a different specification to those agreed with the Parish Council. It was agreed that the Parish Council would contact Highways requesting a site meeting with Parish Councillors and Mr Andrew Vale Highways District Manager. **Clerk** to action.

Correspondence re: Speeding vehicles in The Endway, including a map from Highway's showing the reported accident figures. Following a discussion it was agreed to write to Highways and request a copy of their response to the resident.

Exit view blocked at the end of Nipsells Chase/Steeple Road junction. Councillors who use this junction do not have a problem with the exit.

24. Parks & Open Spaces.

Cherry Alley play area trees. Postpone until August meeting.

25 Village Environment

Nipsells Chase path. Report. Revised notification has been sent to ECC and to the company that we have been advised own the land over which the path will run. Cllr Oatham was concerned over the ownership of the path.

Sea Defence repairs. Postpone until August meeting

26. Councillors Report

NAP Report. **Postpone until August meeting** DHGPC Report. **Postpone until August meeting**

Armed forces day report. Postpone until August meeting

School Governors report. Cllr Spires requests the Parish Council write to Little Nipperz requesting they produce an operating procedure to ensure the safety of the children when leaving their new premises. The council agreed. **Clerk** to action. Little Nipperz have also offered to lock the gates at Bakersfield during term time. Cllr Spires reported that the new fencing would block out the notice board at the school entrance. It was noted that we do not use this board.

27. Finance.

We did not hold a separate finance meeting as we did not have a quorum, all the cheques were agreed and signed at this meeting and are as follows:

Payments

13 Jul 10	Cummins & Jennings	Padlock & Chain	139.83
13 Jul 10	M S J Garwood	Grass cutting	2497.63
13 Jul 10	M S J Garwood	Reinstatement goal mouths	243.70
13 Jul 10	M S J Garwood	Grass cutting	1311.23
13 Jul 10	A & J Lighting Solutions	TC lighting maintenance	36.27
13 Jul 10	A & J Lighting Solutions	Street Lighting maintenance	41.20
13 Jul 10	All Metal Services	Weld repair Dog Walk gates	140.00
13 Jul 10	Essex Playing Fields	Membership fees	25.00
13 Jul 10	RCCE	Membership fees	80.00
13 Jul 10	Norcom Access Ltd	Padlocks	51.23
13 Jul 10	Aon Ltd	Insurance fee	354.98
23 Jul 10	Mr T Blowers	Salary June/July	262.21
23 Jul 10	Mr D Hawkes	Salary July	297.16
23 Jul 10	Mrs J Rackham	Salary July	893.74
23 Jul 10	Mrs C Serjeant	Salary July	136.85
13 Jul 10	Playtop	Repair to play area surface	893.00

The receipts were noted and listed below: Receipts.

9 Jun 10	Chq	Mayland Bowls Club	Fee 2,4,9,11,16,18,23,25,30	132.00
9 Jun 10	Chq	Maylandsea School	Hire of tennis courts	44.40
17 Jun 10	Chq	Mayland Netball Club	pre book 10 games	37.00
17 Jun 10	Cash	Various residents	TC fees	12.00
17 Jun 10	Chq	Mayland village FC	End of season fees	184.00
28 Jun 10	BACS	Essex County Council	CIF Grant for LPH	16745.00

Donation request. Southminster Parish Council. Following a discussion Cllr Lund proposed that due to financial constraints a donation of £50 be given, Cllr Evans seconded the proposal, all in favour, motion carried. **Clerk** to action.

28. Correspondence.

MDC. Response times for Parish Council's to respond to planning applications. **Postpone until August meeting**

29 Items for Agenda

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.27pm
The next meeting will be held on 10th August 2010