

**Lawling Park Committee**  
**Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2010**  
**In the Lawling Park Hall at 7.40pm**

Present:

Cllr Spires (Chairman)

Cllr Oatham

Cllr Lund

Mr Hawkes (Groundsman)

Mrs J Rackham (Clerk).

Julie Gooding attended the meeting and spoke to the Councillors prior to the start of the meeting regarding the youth bus returning to Mayland.

Cllr Spires opened the meeting at 8.07pm

**1. Apologies**

Cllr Massenhove

**2. Minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2009**

Cllr Oatham proposed accepting the minutes, Cllr Lund seconded the proposal, all in favour, the minutes were signed and dated as a true record.

**3. Football**

Condition of portacabins. Cllr Oatham reported that the repair he made before Christmas was still in place. It was agreed that the condition of the portacabins would be monitored. Mr Hawkes reported that he had a problem with the keys to the small portacabin. **Cllr Spires** will investigate.

Mr Hawkes would like a fixture list from the football club. It was agreed to request the football club checked with Dennis each week as to the state of the pitches. If the game is called off at the last minute we believe they still have to pay the referee.

**Clerk** to action.

It was also agreed that the **Clerk** would ask the football club if they are willing to complete a development plan and work towards accreditation. Without this we cannot apply for a grant from the FA.

**4. Skateboard Park.**

It was agreed that the painting of the surfaces will have to wait until the weather improves.

**5. Play Areas.**

Mr Hawkes carried out maintenance on the small play area.

**6. Lawling Park Hall (aka Scout Hut).**

Extension plan. Work will be starting mid February.

Electrical fault. The repair was carried out by Cllr Oatham and Spires. The cost of the equipment required is approx £40. It was agreed that the council should consider an alternative electrical company for future work and inspections.

**7. Bowls**

The committee of the bowls club e-mailed their thanks for keeping the hall open during the recent bad weather.

The New Year party was a great success.

**8. Tennis**

Fees for 2010. The request made by the TC to reduce the cost of the fees for a second year was considered by this committee. A reduction was made in 2009 to £600 for one year only with the proviso that details of an active recruitment campaign be given to the council in writing. Unfortunately this information has not been

received by the council therefore a reduction could not be made for a second year. It was suggested that the TC pay per hour to use the courts. If they wish to leave Mayland then the council would be prepared to purchase the nets. **Clerk** to advise TC.

The committee agreed to advertise that the courts are open to all users on a pay as you go basis including the "ten games for a tenner" promotion for youths. **Clerk** to action in the spring.

#### **9. General Area & Maintenance Report**

Green Pennant Award. It was agreed that the Lawling Park will be entered in this competition. **Clerk** to action.

Dead trees at the back of LPF need cutting down. **Clerk** to contact our ground worker Mr Blowers.

The light at LPF needs urgent attention. This has been reported.

#### **10. Items to be added to next meeting's Agenda**

Skip hire, Youth service, Bakersfield improvements.

#### **Meeting Closed 8.40pm**

Next meeting. 9<sup>th</sup> February 2010