

**MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL  
LAWLING PARK COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2010**  
**In the Lawling Park Hall at 7.35pm**

Present:

Cllr Spires (Chairman)	Cllr Oatham
Cllr Lund	Cllr Massenhove
Cllr Evans	
Mr Hawkes (Groundsman)	Mrs J Rackham (Clerk).
PC Sam Pateman,	
Ms Leanne Hinton & Mr Owen Thom (MDC Youth Service)	
1 Member of the public	

### 1. Apologies

None

### 2. Minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2010

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

Cllr Spires closed the meeting at 7.36pm to allow the press & public to address the council

Owen Thom explained that members of MDC, Police and the youth team held a meeting to discuss the problems of vandalism in Mayland. The suggestions that resulted from this meeting were as follows. Hold a BBQ and football event open to all. The youth team will carry out a survey of what facilities the youth of the village would like to have on the park. PC Pateman will hand out a separate questionnaire to the adults who attend this event. Give out information and police contact details. PC Pateman said that he was hoping to get some extra police into the area to maintain a regular presence. It was also suggested that the Parish Council should try and get MDC's Park Rangers to attend the event with a view to them patrolling the area. The Lawling Park Committee has already agreed to pay for Park Rangers. We are waiting for agreement from Maldon District Members. Diary sheets of incidents were given to the Parish Clerk for distribution. The amount of building materials left on site is a concern. It was agreed that the LPC would ask the builders to remove all excess materials.

A resident mentioned that some tents had been erected on the playing field on odd occasions. It was suggested that he contact any of the Councillors or members of staff if they are seen again.

Cllr Spires reconvened the meeting at 8.50pm and thanked all the visitors for attending the meeting.

**Cllr Oatham left the meeting at 8.55pm**

### 3. Football

The grass at Bakersfield is being cut more regularly to encourage growth.

### 4. Skateboard Park.

Quote for repair.

### 5. Play Areas.

Baby swing. The cost of increasing the area of the play park to accommodate a baby swing would be approx £2,500. Unfortunately due to the cost of the repairs due to vandalism we cannot add any new equipment this financial year.

Annual inspection report. The roof of the Kompan unit needs replacing. **Cllr Spires** will read the report and report to the committee in July.

Quote for replacement joint for seat chain on scale swing. Following a discussion Cllr Lund agreed the expenditure to fix the scale swing of £219.00 Cllr Massenhove seconded the proposal all in favour. **Clerk** to action.

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

Extension plan. Progress report. The contractor is waiting for the roof composite. Once the roof is completed the windows and grills will be fixed.

Light over door **Add to July agenda.**

Change to hire agreement.

Collection of rubbish. Cost of hire to businesses.

Changes to the hire agreement were discussed and an agreement to request that all hirers must take their rubbish home with them. It was also agreed that the hire charge for businesses in Mayland that benefit residents will be charged £9.ph. Businesses that do not benefit residents or come from outside Mayland then £12 ph will be the charge. **Clerk** to alter agreements.

#### **7. Bowls**

Nothing to report.

#### **8. Tennis**

Damage to TC fencing. **Cllr Spires** will contact Maldon Fencing for a quote.

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

Picnic bench. This is still being moved around the park. It was agreed that it will be given to the scrap metal collector.

CCTV. We are waiting to hear from the Police Crime Reduction Officer. The school maybe willing to share a mast with us.

Quote for cutting BMX dirt track extension was discussed Cllr Massenhove proposed £77.78 expenditure, Cllr Evans seconded the proposal. All in favour. **Clerk** to action.

The repair to the surface of the play park following a fire was discussed Cllr Massenhove agreed the £760 expenditure; Cllr Lund seconded the proposal, all in favour, Clerk to order. This will also cover the hole left when the litter bin was removed. The small repair kits are not big enough to cover the area damaged.

The gates to the dog walk area were removed. To enable them to be hung back into position they need to be welded at a cost of £130.00 Cllr Lund proposed this expenditure. Cllr Evans seconded the proposal, all in favour, **Clerk** to action.

Due to the increased vandalism at the Lawling Park, it was agreed that a letter will be sent to the Chief Constable asking him for help in this matter. A copy will be sent to Sgt Morley. **Clerk** to action.

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

Light over door at LPH.

The meeting was closed at 9.40pm