MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL LAWLING PARK COMMITTEE Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 26th November 2013 In the Lawling Park Hall at 7.32pm

Present:

Cllr Duncan

Cllr Spires (Chairman) Cllr Pettitt Mrs J Rackham (Clerk). Deb Down Boxing Club

1. Apologies

Cllr Massenhove

2. Minutes 22nd October 2013

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

3. Boxing

Mrs Down reported on a meeting the boxing club had with MDC's Youth Sport Development Officer Mr Taiwoo Ajayo, a representative from ECC's Active Essex, John Wood & Rob Danson from Sported.

Everyone agreed that the boxing club would not obtain funding for an extension unless they owned the building or had a lease on the building. It was recommended that the boxing club could form a sports association and apply for funding for a new building. The alternative was to move to another venue outside of Mayland. Southminster was suggested to the boxing club but the hall there is no bigger than Mayland's LPH.

Cllr Spires said the LPC and the Parish Council would not want the boxing club to relocate. Mrs Down said she didn't want to relocate as it is convenient for the coach and her to walk to the current location. The needs of the boxing club were discussed. It was agreed that the LPC would favour an extension to the LPH or a stand-alone extension linked to the existing hall. It was noted that in the recent Parish Plan whilst the residents would like a new hall they would not want to pay for it. If that is the route the boxing club wishes to pursue then they would need to approach the full council.

It was agreed that **Mrs Down** would provide a plan outlining the size of extension the boxing club would require so the LPC could ascertain if there is enough space behind the hall. The roundabout could be moved so the west boundary of the proposed extension could finish near the cable run. The extension would not be used solely for the boxing club but could accommodate large parties or other sports clubs. The council could apply for funding from various sources and also perhaps contribute some of its own funds which have been earmarked for a building under a planning gain.

4. Football

The football representatives sent their apologies.

5. Tennis Courts

Flood Lighting report. The lights are working again following the extensive cable repairs. Some of the lamps are not working but will be inspected by our lighting contractor for replacement/repair. It was also noted that some of the lights needed re-aligning. **Clerk** to action.

Pathway. It was agreed that the pathway repair to the side gate of the tennis court will be ordered. **Clerk** to action.

6. Play Areas.

Quote to relay tiles at Roundabout. It was agreed that the replacement of the tiles at a cost of £3477.60 will be reconsidered once the decision to move the roundabout has been finalise.

7. Lawling Park Hall

Hire Village Fete organisers. A decision to give them the hall for a couple of hours FOC on 1st December was agreed unanimously. **Clerk** to advise

Guttering & Downpipes. Cllr Spires to repair.

Hall repairs/extension/rebuild. This item was dealt with under item 3. Boxing. The roof repair would need to be carried out. **Cllr Spires** will contact manufacturer for an up to date quotation.

Chairs. Cllr Spires proposed purchasing from Macro 12 more fold up chairs, maximum expenditure £150, Cllr Pettitt seconded the proposal, all in favour. **Clerk** to action.

Microwave. Cllr Spires proposed purchasing from Macro a 750w or above Microwave, maximum cost £200 Cllr Duncan seconded the proposal, **Clerk** to action. Microwave.

8. General Area & Maintenance Report

CCTV. Nothing to report.

Risk Assessments. New risk assessment sheets were examined. Each Cllr will receive an electronic copy. It was agreed that Mr Leete would benefit from some RA training.

Key holders list. An updated list of all key holders has been given to Cllr Spires. **Cllr Spires** will transfer the information into an excel document.

Drain cover damaged. Cllr Spires will repair.

Dead tree survey. Cllr Pettitt to action.

Closing the car park report. A decision has already been made by the full council. It will be reviewed once the information requested from MDC is received. **Clerk** to action.

Ash tree. Cllr Spires reported that the Ash tree was not dead, one of the branches is hanging over the resident's garden but it is not touching the fence nor causing any damage. It was agreed that if the resident wishes to remove the overhanging branch he may do so at his expense. The tree will be checked again in the spring to make sure it has survived the winter. **Clerk** to advise the resident.

9. Items to be added to next meeting's Agenda

Bakersfield Lights.

Meeting closed 9.06 pm

Next meeting 21st January 2014