MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held at the HENRY SAMUEL HALL on TUESDAY 8th January 2008 at 7.30pm Present

Councillor Short (Chairman)
Councillor Hawkes
Councillor Massenhove
Councillor Durant

Councillor Oatham Councillor Spires Councillor Robinson Mrs Rackham (Clerk)

D.Cllrs. Mr A Cussen & Mr D Horner

155. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Gregory

156. Code of Conduct Declaring an Interest.

Cllr Massenhove item 160. Planning applications FUL/MAL/07/01353 and 01354.

Cllr Hawkes item 159. LPF and Bakersfield.

157. Minutes of the meeting held on 11th December 2007

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

158. Public Discussion Session.

The Chairman closed the meeting to allow the press and public and the District Councillors to address the council at 7.33pm. The Chairman reconvened the meeting at 8.05pm

159. Lawling Playing Field & Bakersfield.

Skate park update. Phase I is completed and Phase II will commence shortly. The site will need to be cleaned up and some areas turfed when the weather improves.

Tree Planting. This council has been awarded a grant to provide trees on the southern boundary of Bakersfield. These will be planted on Saturday 19th January between 10.00am and 12.00pm all are welcome.

Essex Youth Council has contacted this council offering to bring its advice and services bus to Mayland. Two areas have been identified. Katonia Avenue car park and Imperial Avenue near the shops. These visits have been pencilled in for Thursday evenings between 6.30pm and 9.30pm. The Councillors gave a positive response to this offer. Katonia Avenue car park is within the jurisdiction of the council. Parking availability near the shops in Imperial is an issue that the Youth Council will need to address. **Clerk** to action.

It was reported that older children have been seen in Maylands Play Park late at night. Lighting the area will be discussed at the LPF meeting. **Clerk** to add to LPF agenda.

A scaled map of the LPF is nearing completion. This will include all the existing facilities.

160. Planning

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

Cllr Massenhove declared an interest in the first two plans and removed himself from the discussion and the vote.

FUL/MAL/07/01354. Proposed two bed detached bungalow. Plot B Land rear of 78 The Drive Mayland.

6 Objections. Inadequate parking provision/no/garage, access narrow/no turning, overdevelopment of site.

FUL/MAL/07/01353. Proposed four bed detached house. Plot A Land rear of 78 The Drive Mayland.

6 Objections. 8 block plan incorrect, overdevelopment of site, too close to boundary, could set a precedent for similar, narrow access/no turning, disapprove of building in gardens.

FUL/MAL/07/01280. Two detached bungalows. 6 Marine Parade Mayland. No objections

FUL/MAL/07/01323. Detached double garage and brick cladding to bungalow. 7 The Drive Mayland.

No objections

Notice of Appeal Against Enforcement Reference No: ENF/1264/19/07.

APP/X1545/C07/2061162. Land adjacent to Sunnyside Grange Avenue Mayland. Following a discussion this council agreed to write to the appeal officer agreeing with the enforcement notice and highlighting the following points: Misuse of planning policy, Outside development envelope, persistent attempts to breach planning control over a period of time approx 10 years, misuse of site, setting a precedent. **Clerk** to action. 3 copies required.

Notice of Appeal

APP/X1545/A/07/2061630/NWF.

Original planning reference FUL/MAL/07/00617. Sunnyacres Farm Grange Avenue Mayland.

This council's previous views have been noted.

161. Finance

All payments, receipts and transfers presented to the Finance Committee are as follows:

Payments

		Credit Note Stationery	
8 Jan 08	Dudley Office Products	returned	-16.77
8 Jan 08	Dudley Office Products	Stationery	33.47
8 Jan 08	D F Clark Contractors	Weed & Feed Bakersfield	564.00
8 Jan 08	SLCC	Membership fees	129.00

8 Jan 08	Essex Wildlife Trust	Membership fees	40.00			
8 Jan 08	Just Lamps	Call out charge	52.88			
8 Jan 08	Just Lamps	TC Lighting Maintenance	36.27			
8 Jan 08	D F Clark Contractors	Weed & Feed LPF	728.50			
8 Jan 08	Just Lamps	Street Lighting Maint	39.95			
8 Jan 08	Pinnacle Essex	Grass Cutting	1175.00			
25 Jan 08	Mrs C Serjeant	Salary January	117.95			
25 Jan 08	Mr D Hawkes	Salary January	238.41			
25 Jan 08	Mrs J Rackham	Salary January	859.37			
Receipts & Transfers						
3 Dec 07	Resident's Cheque	Portacabin repairs	100.00			
11 Dec 07	Barclays Bank	Tfr funds from Tracker	30000.00			
3 Dec 07	Barclays Bank	Int 3 Sep - 2 Dec	0.59			
3 Dec 07	Barclays Bank	Int 3 Sep - 2 Dec	0.82			
3 Dec 07	Barclays Bank	Int 3 Sep - 2 Dec	679.51			
18 Dec 07	Essex CC	CIF Grant	20000.00			
11 Dec 07	Mayland football club	Fees	540.70			
Petty Cash Payments						
2 Jul 07	All Seasons	Cleaning products	3.00			
4 Sep 07	All Seasons	Cleaning Products	2.00			
11 Sep 07	ASDA	Toilet Tissues	1.12			
19 Sep 07	Post Office	Stamps	17.76			
14 Nov 07	Post Office	Stamps	17.76			
20 Nov 07	ASDA	Kettle	4.86			
29 Dec 07	Jacki C	Diary	1.49			

Precept. Following on from the budget meeting held in November Cllr Hawkes proposed setting the precept at £65,000, Cllr Spires seconded the proposal, all in favour, motion carried. **Clerk** to action.

162. Sports & Community Centre

A decision to set up a committee to investigate all possibilities with both a new build and adapting the scout hut. This section of this item will be deferred until February's meeting.

Abbey Homes has withdrawn its offer of major funding for the community centre (just under £0.5m). Instead, their offer of s106 contributions now reverts to their original position of 10 affordable homes as part of the development plus a payment to MDC of £85,335 for various matters. Following a discussion Cllr Spires proposed sending a letter reaffirming our original objections to the development, Cllr Hawkes seconded the proposal, all in favour, motion carried. **Clerk** to send a copy to each member of the SE Area planning committee and highlight the following: Overburden the village and stretch existing resources, this council would only support the application if substantial gains for an S & C Centre were available.

163. Highways.

Correspondence re: Cutting of verges in Mayland. Essex County Highways have confirmed that they are happy with the existing basic grass cutting

standard in Mayland. This is currently provided by MDC. Our contractor must provide signs and guards to the site/works area in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs Manual. It was agreed that the **Clerk** will provide the necessary details to our contractor for his consideration. **Add to February agenda.**

Road closure Latchindon/Green Lane to Blue Toad postponed to January 2008. Correspondence from Latchingdon PC and ECC Highways following this council's request for temporary road closure. Following a discussion this council agreed to respond to Latchingdon Parish Council's e-mail noting their points and assuring them that this council does not have any ulterior motive. **Clerk** to action.

164. Parks & Open Spaces.

It was reported that the MDC Nature Award plaque will be erected at the entrance to the Mayland Nature Reserve by our contractor shortly. He will also replace the fence at George Everitt Memorial Park.

165. Vandalism & Litter

Correspondence from a resident who reported on the theft of the snow man from their garden over Christmas and New Year period.

Councillors reported: The bollards removed previously from Cardinal Brothers Memorial Park entrance in North Drive have been recovered from the dyke and put into storage.

Streetlight in Mayflower walk vandalised prior to Christmas A crime number has been given by Essex Police. Repairs and replacements have been ordered and will commence shortly.

Knife marks have been found on the new play equipment. **Clerk** to action. It was agreed that the **Clerk** should write and thank Appletons for all their hard work in Mayland, litter picking and emptying the dog and litter bins.

166. Street Lighting

Nothing to report.

167. Correspondence

MDC Community Safety Partnership invitation & newsletter. A representative from this council is not available to attend this event.

Dengie Hundred Group of Parishes invitation. Cllr Robinson will attend on behalf of this council.

RCCE. Going Green. A representative from this council is not available to attend these events.

168. Items for Agenda

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.50pm

The Chairman Cllr Short gave his apologies he will not be available to attend the February meeting. The Vice Chairman will chair the meeting.

Next meeting of the Parish Council 12th February 2008.