# MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held at the HENRY SAMUEL HALL on TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> March 2008 at 7.31pm Present

Councillor Short (Chairman) Councillor Oatham Councillor Spires Mrs Rackham (Clerk) Councillor Robinson Councillor Hawkes Councillor Gregory

D.Cllr. Mr D Horner & 8 members of the public. Ms Jackie Roerig from ECC Highways came to discuss the proposed traffic calming measures in The Drive.

# 195. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Durant & Cllr Massenhove

# 196. Code of Conduct Declaring an Interest.

Cllr Hawkes may have an interest in item 201.

# 197. Minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2008

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

#### **198. Public Discussion Session.**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.34pm to allow the press, public and Ms Jackie Roerig to address the council.

The Chairman reconvened the meeting at 8.30pm

# **199. District Councillors Report**

Owing to the length of time taken in item 198. D. Cllr Mr D Horner deferred his report until the April meeting of this council.

#### 200. Highways.

Cutting of verges in Mayland. ECC Highways recommend that anyone cutting verges in Essex needs accreditation from NRSWA to cover both the contractor, public and the Parish Council. This council agreed that our contractor should complete the one day course prior to cutting any of the verges on our behalf. **Clerk** to advise.

Parking problems at Curlew Avenue. Some of the residents of Curlew Avenue addressed the council in the open session of this meeting. Various photographs of the parked vehicles were given to the council. It was agreed that the residents should contact the developer of the site and asked them to enforce the covenant that they believe restricts the parking on the estate roadways. This council supports inappropriate parking. Cllr Short proposed the council requests ECC Highways explore parking restrictions to resolve parking problems drawn to the attention by local residents. Cllr Oatham seconded the proposal, all in favour, motion carried. **Clerk** to action.

ECC. Proposed additional traffic calming in The Drive Mayland. The proposed scheme was discussed at the February meeting of this council. The council agreed that the suggested build outs were not favourable but that the proposed traffic calming table at the junction of Katonia Avenue was the best option. Jackie Roerig ECC Highways discussed this with the council in the open session of this meeting. Following a discussion Cllr Gregory proposed requesting a table at the junction of Katonia Avenue/The Drive as a priority. Cllr Robinson seconded the proposal, all in favour, motion carried. **Clerk** to action. The council also requests that a flashing "speed sign" are considered by ECC Highways.

Cllr Short proposed that item 210 be brought forward Cllr Oatham seconded the proposal. For the purpose of these minutes item 210 will be reported in its original place.

# 201. Lawling Park Committee.

A copy of the latest minutes has been given to each Cllr. Questions can be put to Cllr Spires.

Bakersfield proposed path. Cllr Spires has planned a direct route for the proposed path. The contractor has been approached to quote for the work. Once this quote is received it was agreed that the **Clerk** could approach various funding organisations for grants towards the cost of the work.

Allianz Cornhill re: Skateboard park insurance. The conditions of the insurers were noted. We will be fully compliant once the signs have been erected. Extra hours will need to be paid to the person who is carrying out the weekly risk assessment and litter picking (probably on a daily basis in busy periods). **Clerk** to add to Personnel Committee agenda.

Cllr Spires proposed that the council purchases a Cardiff bin for the skate park. Cllr Hawkes seconded the proposal, all in favour, motion carried. **Clerk** to order in the next financial year.

#### 202. Planning

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

**FUL/MAL/08/00190.** Loft conversion with dormer windows. 262 Esplanade, Mayland.

No Objections.

FUL/MAL/08/08/00189 pp-00367326. Application for removal of Agricultural Occupancy Condition, Mayflower Nursery House, Mill Road, Mayland.

3 Objections. Do not wish to set a precedent.

2 No objections. Does not set a precedent as long as the loss of the nursery doesn't follow.

**FUL/MAL/08/00099.** Additional residential accommodation for relative games room and replacement garage, 28 Steeple Road Mayland.

5 Objections, Overdevelopment of site, No condition on use for relative, Annex ground floor would be more appropriate, not 2 storey, too close to front of site.

#### Planning Decisions made by the Planning Authority.

**FUL/MAL/07/01353.** Proposed four bedroom detached house with integral garage, plot A – land rear of 78 The Drive Mayland.

# Refused

**FUL/MAL/08/0002.** Erection of 20m aluminium mast and community radio Broadcast aerials on barn, Mayland Hall, Mayland Hill, Mayland.

#### Approved

ADV/MAL/07/01123. Retrospective application for sign, verge outside of Joyce's Farm, Southminster Road, Mayland.

### Refused

FUL/MAL/07/01378. 3 Car garage, Lawling Nipsells Chase, Mayland

#### Approved

FUL/MAL/07/01096. To revert use of land to boat storage, Blackwater Marina, Marine Parade, Mayland

# Approved

### Appeals.

**APP/X1545/A/07/2061630/NWF.** Proposed free range poultry enterprise and retention of mobile home, Sunnyacres Farm, Grange Avenue Mayland.

#### 203. Finance

All payments and receipts were agreed at the Finance meeting held prior to this meeting and are listed below:

#### Payments. Including Direct Debits and Petty Cash.

12 Feb 08	Chq	GBH Engineering	Skate park	41125.00
18 Feb 08	Chq	GBH Engineering	Skate Park Credit Note	-1175.00
18 Feb 08	Tfr	Barclays Bank	Tfr from Tracker 1	20000.00
19 Jan 08	Cash	Golden Platter	Bread	4.73
15 Jan 08	Cash	Cummins & Jennings	Gloves for tree planting	11.28
14 Feb 08	Cash	The Post Office	Stamps	17.76
19 Jan 08	Cash	Со-ор	Food for tree planting day	19.92
5 Feb 08	Credit	E.On	Refund of payments	-400.00
1 Feb 08	DD	ВТ	Telephone & Internet	40.00
14 Feb 08	D D	E.On	Electricity	57.93
18 Feb 08	DD	Electricity	LPF	50.00
11 Mar 08	Chq	Allianz Cornhill	Insurance Premium Skate park	217.00
11 Mar 08	Chq	Mr R House	Strimmer service	22.50
11 Mar 08	Chq	Dudley Office Products	Stationery	132.91
11 Mar 08	Chq	Mr L C Cantwell	Emergency plumbing portacabin	85.00
11 Mar 08	Chq	D J Landscapes	Fix award sign at MNR	25.00
11 Mar 08	Chq	D J Landscapes	part pymnt skate park Turf	1200.00
11 Mar 08	Chq	Maldon District Council	Election fees (uncontested)	122.16
11 Mar 08	Chq	A & J Lighting Solutions	Street Lighting Maintenance	39.95
11 Mar 08	Chq	A & J Lighting Solutions	Tennis Court Lighting Main	36.27
31 Mar 08	Chq	Revenue & Customs	Tax & NI	870.22
25 Mar 08	Chq	Mrs J Rackham	Salary March	859.35
25 Mar 08	Chq	Mr D Hawkes	Salary March	262.23
25 Mar 08	Chq	Mrs C Serjeant	Salary March	117.95

# Receipts.

14 Feb 08	Chq	EALC	Grant for training.	50.00
18 Feb 08	Tfr	Barclays Bank	Tfr from Tracker 1	20000.00
19 Feb 08	Chq	Essex CC	CIF Grant Skate Park	20000.00
21 Feb 08	Chq	Mayland resident	Repair to portacabin	80.00
25 Feb 08	Cash	Netball Club	Fees	14.50

# 204. Circulation Documents.

# These documents maybe be discussed and the council's views noted if each Councillor has seen a copy.

MDC. Local Development Framework. Maldon District Design Guide (MDDG) Local Involvement Networks.

Adult Health and Community Wellbeing.

Communities and Local Government.

This council noted the documents but had no comments to make on any of them.

NATS. Consultation DVD. Add to next agenda.

# 205. Sports & Community Centre

A decision to set up a committee to investigate all possibilities with both a new build and adapting the scout hut. Nothing to report. This item will be added to the April agenda.

#### 206. Parks & Open Spaces.

Tree planting plans by ECC. Report on possible funding. Noted.

# 207. Vandalism & Litter

Nothing to report.

# 208. Street Lighting

Councillors reported Mayflower Walk light. Smiths Avenue. This light (we believe is the responsibility of the developer). Imperial Avenue near St Lukes. **Clerk** to action

Both Councillors and the Clerk investigated the poor lighting in Mayland Green near the junction of Nipsells Chase. There is no light in this area and it is a frequently used path to Whitfield Court. **Clerk** to contact Highways.

#### 209. Transport

Changes to concessionary bus passes. Noted.

#### 210. Web site.

Cllr Gregory advised the council that the maylandvillage.com web site was not being kept up to date by the resident who set it up. This council needs to improve its communication with the residents. Maybe add the Annual Review etc., to a web site. Once a web site is up and running the maintaining of the site is minimal. Cllr Gregory suggested he approaches the IT department of St Peters school for their help in building a web site. All agreed. **Clerk** will add this item to the next agenda.

# 211. Flower Competition.

Running the competition again this year was discussed following the poor turn out last year. Cllr Robinson proposed we run the Best Kept Garden Competition this year, Cllr Spires seconded the proposal, a closing date of 31<sup>st</sup> May was agreed. All in favour. Motion carried. **Clerk** to advertise the competition in Mayland Mayl and the M&B.

# 212. Items for Agenda

Hedges and Fences (Under Highways).

Next meeting of the Parish Council 8<sup>th</sup> April 2008

Parish Assembly 29<sup>th</sup> April 2008

Meeting closed 10.07pm