Minutes of the MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL LAWLING PARK COMMITTEE

meeting held in the Lawling Park Hall on Tuesday 28th November 2017 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Cllr Spires Cllr Oatham

Cllr Evans

Clerk: Mrs L Whitefield

In attendance: 1 member of the public – Jaimy Hodgetts

58 Members' Apologies for Absence

Cllr Pettitt – work commitment Cllr Gibson – no apology received

59 Declaration of Interests

None.

60 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Cllr Oatham proposed accepting the minutes from the meeting held on 24th October subject to the following amendments. Cllr Squires seconded the proposal, all in favour. The minutes were signed and dated as a true record.

51/17 – Cllr Oatham queried the meaning of the "dial up panel". He thinks this cost is unnecessary and that WPF should resite the aerial if further problems.

54/17 - Cllr Oatham refers to the report that has already been received for the play equipment.

57/17 – Cllr Oatham queried the monthly cost of £25 for the computer back up. He thinks that DengieTec in Mayland could be better.

61 Public Discussion including regular hall user groups

The resident showed us his design for the sensory garden by Bakersfield Walk. He suggested benches, a tarmac path which would be suitable for wheelchair users, a planting area, trees, a turfed area and a boundary for the back which is tiered as the plants get higher.

The pathway will need to be laid independently of the garden designer. Cllr Oatham to ask for a quote to do this. The resident is to get a price for the plants and email the plan to us so that we can apply for funding.

Cllr Oatham proposed accepting the scheme and Cllr Squires seconded, all in favour.

Cllr Squires family would like to purchase a bench in memory of his wife Joan. The other memory bench could be advertised in the Mayland Mayl.

62 Lawling Park Hall

- Cllr Oatham has put together a list of instructions for hall users including how to operate the heating and the lights. The Clerk to type this up and add contact details of the councillors for the hirer.
- Disabled WC now been repaired.
- Hall hire to be taken over by the Clerk in January. Booking system to be added to new web site. Few issues with some hirers.
- 10 year Park Plan to include:
 - Garden project
 - Series of gymnasium equipment
 - o Electronic Football Screen
 - Basketball in tennis court area. It was noted that we should check the interest in this first as it was only used three times before.
 - o Renewing the cable slide and see-saw swing plus swing seats.

63 CCTV

Cllr Oatham has spoken to Barry King to confirm he can start work on the CCTV installation. The Clerk will confirm in writing stating that other contractors will do the ground work. The quotation is for £5,918 but may need to be upgraded so that number plates can be recognised when entering the car park. All work to be kept within the original budget of £6,500. Cllr Oatham to contact groundsman to commence work. It was agreed by Cllr Evans and Cllr Squires to pay £2,000 on delivery of the CCTV equipment and the balance on completion.

64 Tennis Courts

We have received a quotation for the hut by the tennis courts to be improved at a cost of £1,200. To be deferred to the next meeting.

65 Play Areas

David Leete to report on the see-saw and swings near the tennis courts.

66 General Area and Maintenance Report

- Cllr Oatham suggested purchasing lights and curtains for the stage and a basic sound system with a wireless microphone for the public to hear what is said at the meetings.
- Cllr Squires has sent a letter to Mayland Youth Club asking for a list of items they wanted as he could apply for funding. They have been given three months free rental.
- Tennis court gate needs a metal bar to stop it being pushed inwards. Clerk to obtain quote.
- Keys to be sorted and labelled. Discussion about safest way to store keys.

67 Vandalism and Anti-social Behaviour

Litter bins not being used and litter is being left on the floor.

68 Parish Council Office

Heating is working ok in the office.

Furniture to be ordered with a budget of £500 already agreed.

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.

Date of next meeting, Tuesday 23rd January 2018