

Minutes
of the MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL
LAWLING PARK COMMITTEE
meeting held in the Lawling Park Hall
on Tuesday 24th July 2018
at 7.01 pm

Present: Cllr Spires Cllr Oatham
Cllr Evans Cllr Bush

Clerk: Mrs L Whitefield

17 Members' Apologies for Absence

18 Declaration of Interests

None.

19 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Cllr Evans proposed accepting the minutes from the meeting held on 26th June 2018. Cllr Oatham seconded the proposal, all in favour. The minutes were signed and dated as a true record.

20 Public Discussion including regular hall user groups

No public present.

21 Clerks Report

The Clerk's update on matters from the previous meeting was noted.

The following decisions were made:

- New padlocks to be purchased to replace all gate locks for car parks and other gates
Cllr Oatham proposed, Cllr Bush seconded. All in favour.
- New door stops to be purchased for all hall doors. Cllr Oatham proposed. All in favour.

22 Lawling Park Hall

- Cllr Oatham proposed increasing the hall hire fees to £12 per hour. Cllr Bush seconded this proposal. All in favour. This new rate will commence on 1st September 2018.
- Cllr Oatham will amend the Hall Hire Agreement and forward to the Clerk to distribute to all hall hirers for signature.
- Locks – Cllr Oatham will purchase one lock to put on the side door as a trial.
- Storage – Tables have been rearranged in storage cupboards.
- Corridor – Middle corridor door needs to be locked to make two separate hiring areas.
- Wedding- Clerk to contact Linda from youth club to ask them to remove their equipment for the summer and to clear the hall for the wedding.
- Sockets – 2 which have been recently installed have now gone missing. Needs to be fitted to a longer piece of wood to be installed more securely.

23 Play Areas

None

24 Tennis Courts

Key for tennis court gate has gone missing. Cllr Oatham will replace this lock with a new padlock.

25 CCTV

Cllr Oatham reported that a boy has twice smeared anti-climb paint on the lens of one of the cameras. His sister was also seen behaving inappropriately. Discussion about whether their images should be put on Facebook. It was agreed that this would be a good deterrent and that Cllr Oatham will do this as all in favour.

Cllr Bush and Cllr Spires will be shown how to view CCTV cameras to assist Cllr Oatham.

26 Garden Area in Bakersfield

Discussion on new design of the garden area. It was thought that it should be 4 times as big as the original plans. When the footpaths are looked at, this area will also be quoted for as well.

27 Footpaths

Clerk to contact two contractors to make a suitable date to meet with Cllr Spires to quote for the footpaths to be repaired.

28 General Area and Maintenance Report

- Grass Cutting – Quotation from Garwoods was discussed for additional areas in the village to be cut. It was decided that this would be discussed at our budget meeting in November.
- Parking – Cllr Oatham proposed that the parking bays in the car park be changed to enable more cars to be parked near to the park gates. Clerk to ask Groundsman to carry out this work.
- Fire Safety – Signs have been put up on the field to request people do not smoke or use lighters. Grass has been cut shorter to reduce the risk of fire.
- Dogs – Cllr Oatham had a confrontation with a dog owner after he asked him to not let his dog enter the hall. Discussion whether the field should be a dog free zone. **It was resolved** to have some signs made that dogs should be on a lead in the field next to the hall and a sign that dogs should be under control at all times on the dog walking field. Clerk to action.
- Gate – A Volunteer is required to open and close the Car Park gate each day as the existing volunteer is finding it an increasing burden. Clerk to advertise this.

29 Vandalism and Anti-social Behaviour

- Problems with bikes on the field. It was resolved to look into the barriers which are on MNR gates which would stop bikes getting on the field. Cllr Oatham to get prices.
- Clerk to find out from MDC how to enforce fines for riding bikes on the field.
- Incident in the Car park on 16th July with a parent and youths. It was resolved to wait to hear from the Police regarding this incident before looking at the CCTV footage.
- Meeting with Maldon District Council and representatives from the Police will be held on 20th August at MDC offices. Clerk to advise residents representative that they can attend to put forward the viewpoint of the residents.

30 Items for next agenda

The meeting closed at 9.27 p.m.

Date of next meeting, Tuesday 25th September 2018