



Minutes
of the meeting of
MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL
held in the Lawling Park Hall
on Tuesday 8th October 2019
at 7.04 p.m.

Present: Cllr Oatham (Chairman) Cllr Spires (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Duncan Cllr Bush
Cllr Haywood Cllr Edwards

Clerk: Mrs L Whitefield

In attendance: 8 Residents

116 Members' Apologies for Absence

117 Declarations of Interests

None

118 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Cllr Edwards proposed accepting the minutes from the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 24th September 2019. Cllr Spires seconded this proposal. All in favour.

Cllr Spires proposed accepting the minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on 10th September 2019. Cllr Duncan seconded this proposal. All in favour.

119 Public Discussion

- A resident asked whether the dog walking notices are legally binding. Cllr Spires informed that as the playing field is owned by the Parish Council, any rules that they apply are lawful. Resident asked why isn't the law enforced when councillors catch dogs fouling. PC replied that descriptions are given to Community protection team and they can enforce. Residents asked to give information to clerk. Cllr Haywood pointed out that the football field used to be a dog free zone. Cllr Spires will do a press release with clarification.
- A resident asked about the footpath behind North Drive and wanted to know intentions of PC. Cllr Oatham explained that a fence will be put up to divide the land from Mr Wood's land. It is still to be decided what will happen to residents' boundaries. Land registry to be consulted. Is there to be a car park? The area in front of George Cardnell Way could be used to park 6/7 cars in front of the bollards.
PC to contact Essex County Council regarding ditches. Grants might be available for maintaining the drains. Advise will be sought.
- A resident in The Drive is against the planning application for a portacabin in the Trinity Doctors surgery. Resident is constantly having issues with parking outside her home. Patients who attend the doctors park on both sides of the road and on the pavement which obstructs the turn into Katonia Avenue. Clerk to make enquiries to extend double yellow lines. Resident to do report for next meeting. CPO to be involved.

120 Planning

The following applications were considered and comment to the Planning Authority agreed:-

- **19/00879/HOUSE PP -08083214**
 - **Proposal:** Erection of a single storey side and rear extension, alterations and enlargement to first floor and alterations to dwelling.
 - **Address:** Inchmerle, Esplanade, Mayland
 - There were no objections to this proposal.

- **19/00925/HOUSE PP -08088895**

- **Proposal:** Replacement of the single storey side building on the south side of house, containing entrance hall WC and garage, with a two storey side extension, re-cladding of exterior of existing house and replacement of windows and door, erection of separate single storey garage with new driveway and new access from Mill Road.
- **Address:** Mayflower Nursery House, Mill Road, Mayland, Essex
- There were no objections to this proposal.

DECISIONS

HOUSE/MAL/19/00581

87, Imperial Avenue, Mayland

To build a single garage attached to the property on the front with a pitched roof

REFUSE

121 Finance

Councillors received a list of all payments and receipts. The approved payments and receipts are listed below: -

PAYMENTS

Date	Payee	Service/supply	
08-Oct-19	Homebase	Sandtex paint for hall	61.66
08-Oct-19	Enhanced Security	CCTV maintenance & new camera	1,639.60
08-Oct-19	J Gard & Son	50 x Softwood sleepers for memorial garden	801.00
08-Oct-19	Parker Products Ltd	Garden strimmer	108.32
08-Oct-19	BPS Access solutions Ltd	3 Section Combination ladder	137.49
08-Oct-19	PKF Accountants	External Audit Fee	400.00
08-Oct-19	Massive Attack	10 metres galvanized fixing band	7.79
08-Oct-19	Pennine Metals	1kg Galvanised twisted nails	5.71
08-Oct-19	Amazon	Timeguard boostmaster timer for water tank	17.48
08-Oct-19	Boltworld	Screws	6.24
08-Oct-19	Voipfone	Renewal fee	2.00
08-Oct-19	Jupiter play & Leisure	Gymnasium equipment	15,229.25
08-Oct-19	Mike Barter	Labour for sleeper wall	1,500.00
08-Oct-19	Gary Bott	Installation of new sleeper wall	750.00
08-Oct-19	SLCC	Networking event	12.00
08-Oct-19	MSJ Garwood	Grounds maintenance September	880.22
08-Oct-19	MSJ Garwood	Pitch marking	216.50
08-Oct-19	Mr E Hines	Deposit refund 21/9/19	75.00
08-Oct-19	Glynis Ward	Deposit refund 5/10	50.00
08-Oct-19	L Sampson	Deposit refund 6/10	69.00
08-Oct-19	L Whitefield	Petty cash top up	139.12
08-Oct-19	NEST	Staff pension	117.26
25-Oct-19	MPC Staff	Staff Wages	2,193.62
			24,419.26

RECEIPTS

10-Sep-19	Maldon District Council	Precept	48,655.00
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11-Sep-19	D Flack	Hall hire Drama Group	72.00
20-Sep-19	Maldon Salt Company	Donation for memorial garden	50.00
30-Sep-19	L Sampson	Hall hire & Deposit 6/10/19	111.00
30-Sep-19	Mayland Football club	3 x Monthly instalments + £5 container fee	545.00
30-Sep-19	Sarah Walsh	Hall Hire 6 weeks	72.00
06-Oct-19	Deb Down	Hall Hire 17/9	12.00
06-Oct-19	Casual hirer	Tennis court hire 7/9	3.00
06-Oct-19	Sarah Walsh	Hall Hire 2 weeks	24.00
			49,544.00

PETTY CASH

18-Sep-19	Makro	Toilet rolls, cleaners	49.12
04-Oct-19	Homebase	Paint for hall	90.00
			139.12

- Cllr Bush proposed that these payments be accepted. Cllr Edwards seconded this proposal. All voted in favour.
- It was proposed that Linda Haywood complete some new councillor training at a cost of £90 per day. Clerk to arrange.

122 Clerk's Report

Each Councillor has received an update on matters from the previous meeting.

- Protection officers cannot enforce parking in Bakersfield as the car park is owned by the PC. Clerk to arrange to register it so that fines can be issued.

123 Lawling Park Committee *including Bakersfield, Lawling Playing Field & Dog Walk Area*

- **Garden area** – Opening arranged for 11th November at 11am. Clerk to do poster to advise residents. TV and press have been invited. Regiment from Woolwich attending, district and town councillors, all those who have donated and residents. Andy Beck donating bacon rolls; Fish shop donating curry; Mayland Garage donating tea, coffee, milk;
- **Community Protection Officers** - Cllr Oatham to ask residents what they think about additional hours. Doesn't seem to be making a difference in the village.
- **Gutters** – Cllr Spires proposed to change the gutters on the side of the hall due to poor installation and leaks. Cllr Edwards seconded this. A resident offered to install these with no labour charge. He will also look at problems with the drains.
- **Energy contract** – An offer of a new contract was discussed but it was decided to stay with existing supplier and then review after a year.
- **Gymnasium update** – Surface has been laid and the equipment now needs to be installed. Opening day to be decided to promote and demonstrate equipment as well as the Sona Arch as same supplier. Clerk to contact Dave Moore for a quote to install a footpath from the main path to the gym.

124 Neighbourhood Plan Committee

- The Neighbourhood Plan committee held a working party to collate all information with Maldon District Council SHLAA list.

125 Neighbourhood Watch Update

- The next meeting for Neighbourhood watch is on October 22nd.

126 Highways

- Tarmac coming away on ramp outside school, Clerk to report
- Taxi parked at the end of The Drive is an obstruction. Clerk to write.
- Bus cage needs repainting in Mayland Green.

127 Footpaths

- Cllr Oatham sent a notification of objection against the findings of the public inquiry.
- **Footpath behind North Drive**

The results of the Neighbourhood Plan Survey in February 2016, stated that 53% of those surveyed requested a further nature reserve area. Since then, the Parish Council have been on the look-out for suitable areas to become available.

It came to our notice that part of the old orchard behind North Drive was on offer.

During the August Council meeting the Parish Council agreed to set aside a sum of £30,000 plus legal expenses for a possible purchase of this land.

We are aware that some extra costs would be expected in regard to fencing, planting and maintenance costs but until we own the land and decide what is needed, it would be hard to evaluate. When we do, we would budget these costs into our 2020/2021 budget projections.

We decided on this area as it is the only one on offer and it is unlikely that any other areas of a suitable size, locality and condition are ever going to be available.

We have compared prices with other woodlands for sale in East Anglia and the Southeast and the old orchard comes out very favourably. We feel this would be a great asset for the village and preserve an area of nature for the foreseeable future.

Cllr Spires proposed that a quote from Kew Law in Burnham on Crouch be accepted for the sum of £923 to act on our behalf in the purchase of this land. Cllr Edwards seconded this proposal. All in favour. Clerk to contact.

128 Parks & Open Spaces

New projects for the park to be discussed at the Lawling Park Committee Meeting.

129 Village Environment

- Overgrown areas around village need sorting. Clerk to write to resident in Bakersfield.
- Telephone box in Mayland Green discussed. Not a traditional one so not needed now.

130 Henry Samuel Hall

- £5,000 has been raised for the hall renovations so far. Architect to be employed to plan work needed. Needs to be made secure after break in.

131 CCTV**132 Correspondence**

- Complaint to Maldon District Council regarding proposed purchase of land behind North Drive. Report issued by MDC confirms no further action being taken.
- Letter of thanks read out from MacMillan Cancer Support for donation for fundraising event.
- Community Specials recruitment evening on 22nd October.

133 Items for Next Agenda

To be emailed to Clerk before the meeting.

The meeting was closed at 9.30pm.