



Minutes
of the virtual meeting of
MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL
held online
on Thursday 8th September 2020
at 7.00 p.m.

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

Clerk: Mrs L Whitefield

In Attendance: D/Cllrs Michael Helm, Penny Channer
4 residents

56 Members' Apologies for Absence

None

57 Declarations of Interests

None

58 Public Discussion

- Dave Collin, whose mother used to own Colmays along Imperial Avenue, asked if it were possible to plant some trees in her memory near to Mayflower Path. Chairman Oatham suggested that this path be changed to Colmays Path in her memory, which would also preserve some of the history of the village. No objections from other councillors. Clerk to get a quote for a new sign. Trees to be assessed further to see where the best location would be.
- Two members of the football club spoke about the need to have access to a toilet in the hall now the football club has started up again. Discussion over what cleaning measures needed to be taken to ensure safety for those using the facilities. It was agreed that the referees room would be available to use by members of the football club with only one person entering the hall at a time. Cleaning to be carried out by our caretaker with additional cleaning by the FC twice a week in between use.
- A resident asked whether the council supported the solar farm development at Maldon Wycke as opposed to Bradwell B as it will be better for the environment. They agreed they did.
- A resident asked if it was possible for the public to access the security cameras to view and report anything untoward happening around the Lawling Park area. Cllr Oatham confirmed that if times and dates were given to the Council then they can check on the cameras and any information given to the police.
- A resident asked about where the public reported any suspected crimes as the police were not present in the village. It was confirmed that the number to dial was 101.
- A resident asked about the parking issues outside the doctor's surgery on the corner of Katonia Avenue despite attempts to make this better. Clerk to contact the protection officers to monitor this area.

59 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Cllr Edwards proposed accepting the minutes from the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 11th August 2020. Cllr Smith seconded this proposal. All in favour.

60 Planning

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

- **20/00713/HOUSE PP -08898210**

Proposal: Application for non-material amendment following grant of Planning Permission 20/00070/HOUSE (Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of rear extension, front and rear dormer roof alterations and front porch)

Address: Wicke Pin 9 Katonia Avenue, Mayland

All objected to this proposal, therefore the recommendation to MDC is the refusal of this proposal. The following reasons are given:

- Query over planning application as amendments are difficult to make sense of
- Refused original planning application

- **20/00734/FUL PP -08914564**

Proposal: Change of use from Class B1 to Class B8 together with ancillary works to the existing buildings.

Address: Essex Petroleum Supplies Ltd, Land Adjacent Newhouse Farm, Mayland.

6/7 Councillors voted against this proposal, therefore the recommendation to MDC is the refusal of this proposal. The following reasons are given:

- Entry and Exit onto main road not suitable for this proposal
- Inappropriate site

- **20/00733/FUL PP -08912186**

Proposal: An equestrian arena to ride in the wet winter months and to reduce the reliance of riding on the roads. The arena is to be made of an equestrian sand mix.

Address: Land Adjacent Orchard House, Nipsells chase, Mayland

All objected to this proposal, therefore the recommendation to MDC is the refusal of this proposal. The following reasons are given:

- No clarification on plans as to where the excess water will go to.

DECISIONS

- **FUL/MAL/20/00574**

Variation of condition 2 on approved planning permission 18/00280/FUL (construction of an apple storage barn)

Land North West of Riversleigh, Nipsells Chase

APPROVED

- **HOUSE/MAL/20/00643**

Two storey side extension
17, West Avenue, Mayland

APPROVED

- **HOUSE/MAL/20/00650**

Single storey front and rear extension
1 Bramley Way, Mayland

APPROVED

Discussion took place between Chairman Oatham and District Councillors Michael Helm and Penny Channer regarding area planning meetings and the change in procedure where a letter needs to be submitted 24 hours in advance of the meeting in order to be read out. Chairman Oatham admitted he felt the Parish Council was unrepresented and that Maldon District Council officers do not listen to the PC views. D/Cllr Helm and D/Cllr Channer said they felt offended by this remark as they try their best to carry out the wishes of the parish council but were not always able to agree. If there were no material planning considerations to oppose the planning applications, then there is little they can do.

Cllr Oatham encouraged the Parish Councillors to fill out a consultation survey recently bought out by the Government to change planning procedures.

61 Finance

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

PAYMENTS

Date	Payee	Service/supply	£ Net
06-Aug-20	County Broadband	WiFi	27.61
11-Aug-20	Eon	Street Lighting	154.90
22-Aug-20	Voipfone	Renewal Fee	2.00
01-Sep-20	Ahead4	Licence fee for Logmein	3.00
07-Aug-20	Zoom	Monthly subscription	11.99
17-Aug-20	Latchingdon Mower shop	Mower repair	123.30
27-Aug-20	SSE Electricity	Lawling hall Electricity	342.42
27-Aug-20	SSE Electricity	Changing rooms electricity	131.89
07-Sep-20	MSJ Garwood	Grounds Maintenance August	1,709.80
07-Sep-20	MSJ Garwood	Overmark 5 football pitches	115.00
21-Aug-20	Fordesigns	1 x Cycle sign for Lawling park	100.00
02-Sep-20	Cummings & Jennings	2 x Abus keys for park	14.00
03-Sep-20	Norton	Renewal fee for security	24.99
04-Sep-20	A& J Lighting	To replace cover on lamp by 10 West Avenue	103.45
07-Sep-20	Petty Cash	Top up	7.59
15-Sep-20	NEST	Staff Pension	101.31
25-Sep-20	MPC Staff	Staff Wages	1,735.51
30-Sep-20	HMRC	Tax & NI	1,440.87
			6,149.63

RECEIPTS

04-Aug-20	M Hill	Memorial Plaque	45.00
03-Sep-20	Casual hirers	Tennis Court hire x 3	9.00
03-Sep-20	N Langley	Memorial Plaque	45.00
			99.00

PETTY CASH

07-Sep-20	Post Office	12 x First Class stamps	7.59
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Cllr Oatham proposed that these payments be accepted. Cllr Bush seconded this proposal.

Cllr Haywood verified and signed the bank reconciliations.

Cllr Oatham proposed that in line with the NALC salary pay increases and a yearly increment that the following changes would be made:

The Clerks salary is incremented to SCP 23 from 1st April 2020.
 The Groundsman's salary is incremented to SCP 6 from 1st April 2020.
 The Caretaker's salary is incremented to SCP 3 from 1st April 2020.

62 Lawling Park Committee

The hall will remain closed apart from the Football club using the referee's room. Cllr Oatham will ensure that the doors leading to the main hall will be locked to ensure no one can gain access.

Cllr Oatham proposed that the sleepers for the memorial wall be preserved and a maximum figure of £250 be spent to remove the earth from the bottom of the wall and spray the base of the sleepers. All in favour.

Clarification regarding putting a plaque on the memorial wall – the person has to have lived in Mayland before a plaque can be agreed.

Clarification regarding two outdoor bins for Bakersfield walk and Cherry Alley. Cllr Spires confirmed the type and model of the bin to purchase. Clerk to place order.

A battery for the defibrillator needs to be purchased. Cllr Oatham to source one.

63 Orchard

A meeting was arranged for Monday 14th September for those in the working party to meet at the Orchard to discuss future plans. They will report back at the next meeting.

Clerk had chased the solicitors with regard to the Land Registry deeds but they are still waiting for them to be sent.

Cllr Spires had received an enquiry with regard to the land backing on to the residents of North Drive. He informed the resident that until the deeds come through no decisions would be made with relation to this land. Cllr Spires will draft a letter for all residents.

64 Drug issues/Policing

Cllr Todd outlined issues within the village with drug users and lack of policing. Other parishes use security firms to patrol their villages and it was proposed that our Parish look into this also. Clerk to contact Rettendon PC to find further details.

65 Village Environment

Light in Mayflower Walk has had a new cover. Cllr Haywood to check that light is working properly.

Clerk to find out if Gladwell Walk has been registered with land registry as requested.

Clerk to contact Maldon District Council re some areas in village which are overgrown.

Gladwell Walk sign missing at West Avenue end of walk. Clerk to get a quote.

66 Any other business

None

The meeting was closed at 9.25pm.

