

**Minutes**  
of the **MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL**  
**LAWLING PARK COMMITTEE**  
meeting held in the Lawling Park Hall  
on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022  
at 7.02 pm

**Present:** Cllr Spires (Chairman) Cllr Bush  
Cllr Haywood

**Clerk:** Mrs L Whitefield

**48 Members' Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Todd and Cllr Chandler sent their apologies which were accepted.

**49 Declaration of Interests**

None

**50 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Cllr Haywood proposed accepting the minutes from the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Cllr Bush seconded this proposal. All in favour.

**51 Public Discussion** including regular hall user groups

Cllr Haywood spoke on behalf of a resident who runs a voluntary football club in the park. She was asking for toilets to be fitted in the park as it used so much. Cllr Spires to complete plans as part of the 10 year plan for the park.

**52 Clerks Report**

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

**53 Lawling Park Hall**

- **Football club** – Discussion over football club using changing rooms during the summer months. Cllr Spires proposed that the contract be reviewed in May 2023.
- **Roundabout** – A quote from Playquip was considered to repair the roundabout. Cllr Bush to get volunteers to lift off and repair himself.
- **Locks at Bakersfield** – The existing bollards do not have the facility to change the padlock so it was agreed that they would be left as they were.
- **Damage to Steps** – Young boys had damaged the newly concreted steps. CCTV had traced identity of these boys and the cost to replace the steps had been passed on. The payment has been made and the steps have now been replaced. Issues with matting underneath the zip wire to be raised with Playquip.
- **Hearing Loop** – Problems with some councillors/public hearing all that is discussed at meetings. Clerk to look into getting a hearing loop for the hall.

**54 Tennis Court Refurbishment**

- A quote to moss kill and wash the single tennis court was considered from ETC Sports Surfaces. Cllr Spires proposed that the quote for £425 be accepted. Cllr Bush seconded. All in favour.
- A quote to dig a trench and install a duct for the existing electric cables and allow other cables to be fed in was considered from ETC Sports Surfaces. Cllrs Spires proposed that the quote for £1,659 be accepted. Cllr Bush seconded. All in favour.
- It was also proposed that the 4m fencing that had been agreed at the meeting in September would now be reduced to 3m. The reason for this is the cost to get planning permission to increase the height of the fencing to 4m. Contractor stated that 3m was the normal height for tennis courts. The difference in price is £3,750.
- The new cost for all works to be carried out is £63,519 + vat. Colour spraying on both courts will be looked at in the spring and will be added to the new budget.

**55 General Area and Maintenance Report**

- Paths in Bakersfield car park have opened up again due to movement in the ground. Clerk to ask Ideal Landscaping to quote again for repairs. Cllr Spires proposed that a budget of £200 be set for this work. Cllr Haywood seconded. All in favour.
- Box hedge has been removed at the memorial garden but roots need to be taken out. Clerk to ask Ideal Landscaping if they can quote for this at the same time as the sensory path is laid.

**56 Vandalism and Anti-social Behaviour.**

- Graffiti has been found on several pieces of park equipment. Groundsmen have removed it.

**57 Matters for next agenda**

- Budget for children's playground, dog training area and outside toilets

The meeting closed at 7.45pm