



Minutes
of the meeting of
MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL
held in the Lawling Park Hall
on Tuesday 12th September 2023
at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr Haywood (Chairman) Cllr Chandler Cllr Morris
Cllr Down Cllr Spires
Cllr Oatham Cllr Bush

Clerk: Mrs L Whitefield

In attendance: Cllr Shaw – ECC, C/Cllr Wendy Stamp, D/Cllr Linda Haywood, 2 Residents

65 Members' Apologies for Absence

D/Cllr Tony Fittock

66 Declaration of Interests

Cllr Morris declared an interest in item 77

67 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Cllr Bush proposed accepting the minutes from the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 21st August 2023. Cllr Chandler seconded this proposal. All in favour.

68 Public Discussion

None

69 Highways

Cllr Shaw, Deputy Highways Officer, attended our meeting and answered some questions from the public.

1) Why is there no planning in place to cope with the massive expansion in housing in this area? Is it a lack of money or total incompetence?

It is not very clear what is being asked here. As the rest of the issues are mainly related to highways it may be that the question refers to planning in relation to transportation issues in which case the suggested response is:

The strategic level transportation impacts on new development are assessed as part of the Local plan. The Local Plan identifies locations for development during the Local Plan period, and also contains policies in relation to how the impacts of new development should be dealt with and mitigated. The Local Plan is a district council policy document, but ECC assists MDC with transport modelling and highway and transportation advice during the preparation of the plan.

A more detailed assessment of the transportation implications of new developments is carried out by ECC, as a statutory consultee on highway and transportation matters, at the planning application stage. This is necessary to ensure the appropriate mitigation is secure in terms of active and sustainable travel measures as well as highway improvement works.

Tom Cunningham at ECC deals with infrastructure matters and Cllr Shaw will pass on the points raised to him.

2) What happens to the thousands we pay in rates? It certainly is not spent on local roads.

Essex has a vast network of over 5,000 miles of roads, as well as a footway network of 4,000 miles. Additionally we have 4,000 miles of public rights of way, 1,500 highway structures, 128,000 street lighting columns, and other asset groups such as highway drainage, vehicles restraint systems, traffic signals and traffic signs. The network is one of the largest highways networks in England. ECC Highways has a very stringent inspection and maintenance programme of the network, but it would be wrong of me to say that managing and maintaining such a large network does come with its challenges. We are constantly looking at ways we can effectively, efficiently, and quickly repair defects when we are made aware of them, as well as looking at ways we can improve the network for all its users.

On the wider front the County Council has a vast range of services it provides and as politicians, we constantly have to make very challenging decisions about how we allocate and spend taxpayers' money – your money! In our budget setting this year, we have focussed on the need to prioritise services for the vulnerable in a time of economic hardship as well as the maintenance of our roads and caring for older and younger people. The highest proportion of this money is spent on Children's and Adult Social care, as well as Education, Public Health and many other services.

3) Why are repairs carried out with such poor quality and not fit for purpose?

No specific locations provided to check. However, please note that sometimes we do repair potholes in a hurry to make sure areas remain safe for public use and to keep the travelling public moving. These repairs are not always aesthetically pleasing but often more robust repairs are then programmed at a later date.

We appreciate that the quality will not be the same as a permanent patch, and these are delivered as a follow up repair when resources are available. We must remember that 'make safes' are meant to keep our highways open and available for use, the alternative is to close areas which are much more inconvenient to the road users. They are delivered in a very short timescales, depending on the inspectors assessment and also sometimes in large numbers depending on the condition of the area, with seasonal weather becoming an increasingly influencing factor.

They are lower cost than a permanent repair, mainly due to the differences in plant, labour and materials associated with each repair but also the duration of works and traffic management during that period.

Potholes in Mayland discussed with emphasis on the speed table along The Drive needing attention. Clerk to complete a form for SEPP stating the danger to cars.

4) How can we get speed reduced on the Steeple Road to 30mph? There has been ongoing campaign by residents there and main reason for asking Cllr Shaw to the meeting.

This matter would need to be raised by the Local Highways Panel. Can contact Police and ask about issues by Mayland Garage also.

5) Bollards needed along by the shops and Trinity doctors surgery. Why were they refused previously by the LHP? One has recently been fitted outside Nisa so there is room for them. Photos to back this requirement are supplied showing how busy the area by shops is.

This matter would need to be raised by the Local Highways Panel again.

County Councillor Stamp suggested sending through all the information previously sent and apply again to have them installed.

6) Streetlights – We are still paying for streetlights in roads that should have been adopted by Highways.

List of streetlights that PC pays for each month to be looked at by Cllr Shaw and Cllr Stamp. Clerk to forward.

70 Planning

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

- **23/00666/OUT (Response submitted in August)**

Outline permission with all matters reserved for one detached single storey dwelling
Land at 22 Steeple Road, Mayland

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

This application is contrary to the following planning response codes:-

- S8 Settlement Boundaries – outside the boundaries
 - T2 Accessibility- Dangerously adds to traffic to access to and from Steeple Road
No footpath on single, unmade road, no passing points for oncoming traffic
 - H4 – Effective use of land – back-fill development
- **23/00712/WTPO PP -12325773 (Response submitted in August)**
(TPO 3/78) T1 Walnut – Crown lift by 1m (footpath side) and crown lift by 2m (roadside).
Crown reduction by 2m.
122 Nipsells Chase, Mayland

No objections to this proposal

- **23/00836/FUL**

Demolish outbuilding and site mobile home on existing hardstanding for use as an annexe
Land at 7 Mill Road, Mayland

2 For and 5 Against this proposal. Therefore the recommendation to MDC is the refusal of this proposal. The following reasons are given:-

- This could be classed as back-fill development
- This would be creating a separate dwelling
- This proposal has previously been refused by MDC

DECISIONS

- **HOUSE/MAL/23/00516**

Extending existing outbuilding
8 Promenade, Mayland

APPROVED

- **NMA/MAL/23/00564**

Non-material amendment following grant of planning permission 21/01240/VAR (Variation on condition 2 and removal of condition 8 on approved planning application 21/00628/FUL (Proposed construction of a single storey self-build live/work dwelling)) Amendment sought: Alterations to fenestration and external materials.

Paton Place, Nipsells Chase, Mayland

REFUSED

- **FUL/MAL/23/00399**

To form a base with an erection of a mobile home to the rear garden
Land at 7 Mill Road, Mayland

REFUSED

- **FUL/MAL/23/00454**

Extension to existing summerhouse in rear garden to provide annex accommodation.
Land at Wrington 27 Imperial Avenue, Mayland
APPROVED

- **FUL/MAL/23/00544**

Erection of single 4 bedroom dwelling
8A Mill Road, Mayland
REFUSED

- **APP/X1545/D/23/3319284**

Appeal dismissed against the decision of MDC
93 Imperial Avenue, Mayland

71 Finance

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

AUGUST

PAYMENTS			NET
Date	Payee	Service/supply	
12-Jul-23	Neil Sullivan	Top soil for memorial garden	90.00
13-Jul-23	V Wells	Deposit Refund 9/7	50.00
13-Jul-23	Amazon	Punched pockets x 200	7.65
19-Jul-23	Npower	Street Lighting	185.67
20-Jul-23	Ebay	Cat 5 cable for sensory garden trench	41.99
20-Jul-23	Ebay	6mm Blue Rope Draw cord for sensory garden	35.00
20-Jul-23	Lampshop online	LED light for floodlight x 1	23.21
26-Jul-23	Timpsons	Plaque for Della Buckley	33.33
31-Jul-23	Mayland Service Station	Fuel for strimmer	11.52
27-Jul-23	S Olive	Deposit Refund 19/7	50.00
01-Aug-23	Amazon	Black and Grey pint for skatepark/shelter	126.63
07-Aug-23	SSE Electricity	Hall Electricity	685.90
07-Aug-23	SSE Electricity	Changing room Electricity	146.46
08-Aug-23	Voipfone	Renewal Fee	3.00
08-Aug-23	Fasthosts	Monthly subscription	5.00
08-Aug-23	Fasthosts	Support Fee	5.78
08-Aug-23	County Broadband	Community Wifi	24.17
08-Aug-23	Norton	Annual Renewal Fee	23.99
08-Aug-23	Rialtas	Annual support and Maintenance Licence	131.99
08-Aug-23	Manor Tree Services	To reduce hedge adjacent to Bakersfield Car Park	930.00
08-Aug-23	MSJ Garwood	Initial marking of football pitches x 6	458.67
08-Aug-23	MSJ Garwood	Grounds Maintenance/Hedge on Esplanade	1,836.87
08-Aug-23	Fordesigns	Signs for tennis court/arrow sign for Memorial garden	225.00
08-Aug-23	HSH Committee	VAT Refund Apr- Jun 2023	898.51
08-Aug-23	NEST	Staff Pension	113.94
25-Aug-23	MPC Staff	Staff Wages	2,070.30
			8,066.93
RECEIPTS			
17-Jul-23	Mayland Football Club	Pitch Hire May	180.00
19-Jul-23	S Olive	Hall Hire & Deposit 19/7	86.00

20-Jul-23	S Greenwood	Hall Hire & Deposit 16/9	98.00
25-Jul-23	Various Residents	Tennis Court Hire	18.00
27-Jul-23	Ayletts Charity	Payment from charity for Ayletts Fund	61.50
28-Jul-23	HMRC	VAT Refund April – June 2023 (inc HSH £898.51)	7,976.81
02-Aug-23	J Ferris	Hall Hire & Deposit 27/8	98.00
02-Aug-23	M Burgess	Plaque for Ray Burgess	45.00
			8,563.31

SEPTEMBER**PAYMENTS**

Date	Payee	Service/supply	NET
17-Aug-23	NPower	Street Lighting	189.62
22-Aug-23	Timpsons	Plaque for Ray Burgess	40.00
23-Aug-23	Amazon	Heavy duty trimmer line for strimmer	17.36
23-Aug-23	Amazon	Paint/Sealer for Sensory garden	55.26
29-Aug-23	SSE Electricity	Scout HQ electricity after meter reading	5.27
07-Sep-23	County Broadband	Community WiFi	24.17
07-Sep-23	Voipfone	Renewal Fee	3.00
07-Sep-23	Fasthosts	Monthly subscription	5.00
07-Sep-23	Fasthosts	Support payment	5.78
08-Sep-23	Mr A Kemp	Paint brushes/Rollers B&M	15.00
05-Jul-23	ETC Sports Surfaces Ltd	Final payment for snagging for tennis refurb	1,587.00
10-Aug-23	Playquip	Roundabout repair	995.00
06-Sep-23	MSJ Garwood	Grounds Maintenance August	1,629.17
06-Sep-23	MSJ Garwood	Pitch marking x 6	236.90
07-Sep-23	Saffron Design	2000 leaflets for NP consultation	180.00
07-Sep-23	Troy Planning	For updates to Regulation 14 material	550.00
12-Sep-23	C Smith	Deposit Refund 13/8	50.00
12-Sep-23	J Ferris	Deposit Refund 27/8	50.00
12-Sep-23	H Stammers	Deposit Refund 2/9	50.00
14-Sep-23	NEST	Staff Pension	124.93
25-Sep-23	MPC Staff	Staff Wages	2,239.44
30-Sep-23	HMRC	Tax & NI	1,445.63
			7,805.92

RECEIPTS

09-Aug-23	C Smith	Hall Hire & Deposit 13/8	86.00
21-Aug-23	Various Residents	Tennis Court Hire	41.00
23-Aug-23	Mayland Youth Club	Hire fees	162.50
25-Aug-23	SSE Electricity	Refund after meter reading for changing rooms	329.03
25-Aug-23	H Stammers	Hall Deposit 2/9	50.00
04-Sep-23	Maldon District Council	Half yearly Precept	51,127.00
07-Sep-23	Wendy Coy	Memorial Plaque for Joan Brooker	45.00
			51,840.53

- Cllr Haywood proposed that these payments be accepted. Cllr Bush seconded this proposal. All in favour.
- All councillors received a copy of bank reconciliations for June. Cllr Spire verified and signed them.

- A grant application was considered from Basics Essex. Councillors requested more information so clerk to contact charity to attend next parish meeting to discuss.

72 Clerk Matters

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

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

- Update from July Meeting – Minutes from the Lawling Park Committee have been forwarded to all councillors
- Budget for Events – Cllr Spires proposed a budget of £100 for the Remembrance Day service on 11th November. Cllr Haywood to speak to bugler/band. Cllr Down proposed a budget of £300 for a Christmas Tree. Cllr Chandler seconded these. All in favour.
- Update on Sensory Garden – Ideas for water feature explained, path has started to be painted, need offers of help and plants. Arches made from galvanised steel to be fitted. Main objectives this year is to
 - Dig garden and put manure in soil
 - Put arch up
 - Put water feature in
 - Paint the path
- Quote for Tap/Drain – A quote was considered to replace the outside tap with a push tap and install a soakaway filled with pea shingle and topped with pebbles at a cost of £200. Cllr Chandler proposed this be accepted. Cllr Haywood seconded this. All in favour.

74 Village Environment

- Whitefield Court – A quote was considered to trim back trees behind Whitefield Court from Manor Tree Services. Cllr Spires proposed this be accepted at a cost of £400. Cllr Morris seconded this. All in favour.
- Bradwell Waste import – **ESS/72/23/MAL** Proposal: Continued importation of packaged intermediate Level Waste (ILW) without compliance with condition 02 (Initial Cessation Date) of planning permission ESS/87/20/MAL that was to permit the importation of packaged ILW from Magnox sites Sizewell 'A' and Dungeness 'A' to Bradwell Power Station and the interim storage within the existing Interim Storage Facility (ISF) Bradwell Power Station, Downhall Beach, Bradwell-on-Sea, Essex

To respond to ECC stating that previous planning permission not been adhered to. To contact other Parish Councils, some of whom have already responded to this.

75 CCTV

- A review of the CCTV Policy was completed and no changes made. Cllr Haywood proposed that no changes were necessary. Cllr Down seconded this. All in favour.
- To consider areas in the park with little coverage from cameras. It was decided to leave for now and consider at a later date. A camera will be installed at the sensory garden once completed.

76 Neighbourhood Planning Committee

- Cllr Spires read out the regulation 14 requirements confirming that a consultation was necessary. Survey to be added to website. Survey to be sent to all those on a list supplied by MDC.

Cllr Morris left the meeting at 9.17pm

77 Orchard Management Committee

Cllr Chandler recommended a meeting to discuss the Orchard be arranged for third week in October. A resident, John who belongs to Essex Wildlife Trust explained there may be help available to clear the site for paths etc. Cllr Haywood suggested any advice from EWT would be useful.

Cllr Oatham suggested a fence be installed to the rear of the houses backing on to the orchard to preserve our land.

Cllr Chandler proposed that John Lilley be given permission to borrow a key to the orchard to look at the owls. Cllr Haywood seconded. All in favour.

Cllr Oatham suggested the clerk asks Geoff Wood if he would still be willing to sell the access piece of land in the future and if so to let us have first refusal.

Clerk to look at riparian ditch rules with regard to the ditch at the back of the properties.

78 Matters for next Agenda

Meeting closed at 9.30pm