

Minutes
of the **MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL**
LAWLING PARK COMMITTEE
meeting held in the Lawling Park Hall
on Tuesday 28th May 2024
at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr Spires (Chairman) Cllr Ayodele Cllr Bush
Cllr Down Cllr Chandler

Clerk: Mrs L Whitefield

1 Election of Chairman

Cllr Chandler proposed that Cllr Spires remain the Chairman of the Lawling Park Committee. Cllr Bush seconded. All in favour.

2 Members' Apologies for Absence

Cllr Haywood gave her apologies

3 Declaration of Interest

None

4 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Cllr Chandler proposed accepting the minutes from the meeting held on 23rd April 2024. Cllr Ayodele seconded this proposal. All in favour.

5 Public Discussion including regular hall user groups

None

6 Clerks Report

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

7 Lawling Park Hall

- **Jet Wash** – A quote was considered from Playquip to jet wash the surface of the outside gym for £650. Cllr Spires proposed that this be accepted. Cllr Chandler seconded. All in favour. Clerk to look for a cheaper quote up to this maximum figure.
- **Stake and Rail fence** – A quote was considered from Manor Tree to replace the stake and rail fence in the Bakersfield Car Park. Clerk to get further quotes but maximum amount to spend is £850. Cllr Spires proposed that this be accepted. Cllr Chandler seconded. All in favour.
- **New bench**- Options discussed for a new bench in the small playground. Clerk to do a report on different options.
- **Bakersfield trees**- Cllr Spires visited resident backing on to Bakersfield Walk regarding tree issues. Advised these trees are there as a protection for privacy. Any overhanging branches can be cut back by resident and thrown onto parish ground.
- **Flooding in park**- Water is being drained on to the Lawling field from a resident's house along West Avenue. Clerk to write to resident advising the drain needs to be disconnected.
- **Gates** – Discussion over gates backing on to Lawling field. Clerk to ask MDC solicitor for advice. Cllr Bush to give a list of residents with gates to clerk.
- **Tennis Courts** – Discussion over hire fees of tennis courts for regular hirer. Clerk to get prices from other tennis clubs and give report at the full parish meeting.
- **Updating BMX track** – A quote was considered from S.P. Bardwell to re-design the BMX track in the Bakersfield. The mounds would be reconstructed and regraded and then a Type 1 surface would be laid. The cost of this work is £13,945 + vat. Clerk and Cllr Down to look for grants for this cost. A poll would be added to Facebook to see who would be interested in this. If grants were obtained, then Cllr Down proposed this quote be accepted. Cllr Spires seconded. All in favour.

- **Gym Equipment** – A quote was considered from Jupiter to replace some parts on the outside gym equipment. Further quotes for the installation were still being sent so it was proposed to discuss this at further date.

8 General Area and Maintenance Report

The CCTV camera is not capturing all the images at the memorial garden. Cllr Oatham to look at this.

9 Vandalism and Anti-social Behaviour.

10 Matters for next agenda

Cllr Spires asked the Clerk to provide a budget for the park and upcoming spending.

The meeting closed at 21.00pm