

**Minutes**  
of the MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL  
**LAWLING PARK COMMITTEE**  
meeting held in the Lawling Park Hall  
on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024  
at 7.00 pm

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

**Clerk:** Mrs L Whitefield

**20 Members' Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs Haywood and Down sent their apologies

**21 Declaration of Interest**

None

**22 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Cllr Bush proposed accepting the minutes from the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024. Cllr Ayodele seconded this proposal. All in favour.

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

None

**24 Clerks Report**

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

**25 Lawling Park Hall**

- **Running Track** – Discussion over use of the new running track in the Lawling Field. A lot of residents and the Football club are using it. Cllr Chandler proposed that it be marked in yellow for the month of August to stand out from the football pitches. Cllr Spires seconded. All in favour.
- **Football Club Contract** – Discussion over new contract. Hall is being used by teams during summer months while training takes place. In light of this and the fact costs have increased, Cllr Spires proposed that the annual fee is put up to £2,000. The pitches will still only be marked for 10 months of the year but the hall facilities will be available all year round. Cllr Bush seconded. All in favour. Clerk to amend the contract and inform the football club with a requirement that a direct debit is set up to pay the monthly fees.
- **Gym Equipment** – A report was discussed with quotes to repair the outside gym equipment. The cost of the equipment from Jupiter was considered but Clerk will check with them to verify costs before a decision is made. The annual play inspection will also be compared to the quote.
- **Cleaning of Hall** – The cleaning of the hall and toilet area was discussed after report from hirer that they were not up to standard. Clerk to speak with caretaker to ask to clean more regularly with a chart going up in their cupboard to keep a check of all cleaning in the hall.
- **Completion of Trench** – The work to complete the trench and manhole area has not been completed by the contractor. Clerk to ask reliable resident if they would consider completing the work and connecting the water.
- **Goals** – The football club have asked if they can leave all their goals in to save them keep being removed and carried to the containers. The large one that was left in has been vandalised. All councillors agreed that the goals could not be left in as it caused problems for the grass cutters and they could be vandalised. Clerk to inform the Football club.

**26 General Area and Maintenance Report**

- A quote to replace a faulty camera on the Sona Arch has been received from Jupiter. Clerk to check online to see if it is now working and speak to Jupiter.

**27 Vandalism and Anti-social Behaviour**

- Youths are climbing on top of the hall. New anti-climb paint has now been purchased so that areas are painted to deter them. Signs will also be put up.

**28 Matters for next agenda**

The meeting closed at 8.45pm