

Minutes
Langham Parish Council (PC)
Recreation Ground and Open Spaces
Meeting 13th June 2022 6:30pm

Attendees: Cllr Thorpe, Cllr Palmer, Cllr Ogawa, Bob Schofield
Cllr Bottwood
Attendance Carol Harbach Clerk
No members of the public present.

22/017 Introduction by Chairman of the Committee
Cllr Thorpe welcomed everyone to the meeting.

22/018 Welcome and Apologies for Absence
No apologies were received.

22/019 Declaration of Members Interests
None raised. Any declarations may be brought up if they occur through the meeting.

22/020 Agree Minutes from the last Recreation Ground meeting 19th May 2022.
These were agreed as a true and accurate account. There was a typo on 22/004 this will be amended.
Proposed Cllr Palmer seconded Cllr Ogawa all agreed.

22/021 Matter's arising from the last meeting.
Cabinet at Moor Road – later on agenda
Fun Run Signs – later of agenda
Container - Mike Rich and Cllr Thorpe to get together to look at container to see what can be disposed of.
Extension of play area fence – later on agenda
Chairman Board – now completed and discharged.
A letter will be sent to Mr. Maturin-Baird regarding the oak tree and the other items on Pond corner- This is to be agreed by the PC that they are responsible for the items on the corner -including the tree and the levelling off of the ground. Cllr Thorpe is to complete an audit of the area. A list will then be sent to William Maturin Baird.
CBC Donation tree for Jubilee- it was suggested that this was placed on the recreation field as there is not currently one for the platinum jubilee. This will be taken to the full council for agreement. It was proposed to have a tree and to have a discussion of where it is to go in the village. This will be placed on the main council agenda.

- 22/022** **Public Open Forum** (maximum 10 minutes)
Questions to be noted and answered at the next meeting.
No public present.
- 22/023** **Fun Run Signs**
Action point for Cllr Ogawa to visit the school to see how much area will be needed to store these and bring back the information to the committee.
- 22/024** **Update on Play area**
Meeting was held at site and there is enough space for this to take place. It was thought maybe having a different shape if needed.
Must have a specification to upload and a statement of requirements to submit bids on public contracts site before contract is offered.
Cllr Palmer will contact Komplan to see if they can look at the central piece that they have provided on the quote.
Cllr Armstrong has talked to Enovert and they have come back asking to have a plaque on the main piece of the equipment if the PC were successful on the grant.
A decision needs to be made of Enovert, S106 money and PC.
Cllr Thorpe to start specification off for public contract site what preferred grant to use. Figure to be a higher figure than to look at a lower figure to allow for increase in prices. This was discussed by the group and the main grant was to apply for the main grant from Enovert and minimum of £50k and the PC to top up until the S106 money becomes available
A date was agreed to go through the plans already received. The meeting will be the 4th July at 7pm. Clerk to book room.
- 22/025** **Update on Bonfire event (including contract)**
Updates on this is going ahead regarding the license to be for a particular area and there is some fencing that will be donated so would save money.
Security company will be sent to Cllr Palmer by the clerk.
Next stage is the volunteers.
Banners around village will be sponsors on larger bill boards in the area for the event.
Next bonfire meeting will be week after next. The online payments are to go into shop to pay machines will be checked and before the event.
look at Ofcom website to put postcode in to see who biggest provider is.
Cllr Palmer happy with how things are going.
- 22/026** **Update on Queen's Jubilee Event/Risk Register**
Event went well and a few challenges happened. There were a few problems regarding the tents during high winds. The risk register will be reviewed for the bonfire night after the lessons learnt, needs to have risk register before and after the event as well in the future.

- 22/027 Update on Cricket Event**
The all-star award cricket event was cancelled due that there were not enough people for it to run. They still want to make this happen in the future and still want to have the cricket here in the future.
The contract that we have will be sent to Cllr Thorpe to combine with the one provided by Essex Cricket. Action Clerk.
- 22/028 Village Sign payment bill**
The recommendation from this committee is for the invoice to be paid an official request will need to be sent to the Finance committee regarding this. One bill for 200 and the remainder break down into two parts ring her and separate. Clerk to talk to sally and follow up.
- 22/029 Cabinet at corner of Moor Road/Park Lane**
This was discussed and the PC need to talk to resident to arrange a meeting. PC to suggest pots rather than anything into ground to residents due to the cabling issues in that area. Action Cllr Thorpe to contact resident concerned.
- 22/030 All working groups**
A new Tennis contract needs to be arranged between the Tennis Club and PC. Action Cllr Thorpe.
Play area group – has been agreed and are meeting on the 4th July 7:30pm.
Multi use court – group was discussed and a meeting will be agreed soon.
Clerk to check how Dedham tennis courts and used and report back to committee.
Cricket working group – this needs to be decided and need to find out who is going to pay for what and when/what needed. Ongoing.
Bonfire group meeting set for next week.
Clerk to ask other parish clerks re other multipurpose sites that they may have in the parishes.
- 22/031 Footpaths/footpath audit**
Cllr Armstrong is currently the footpath councillor and it was agreed that this should go to the main council for him to work on this. This will not be part of the Recreation Ground committee.
Concerns regarding the footpath at the Greyhound hill needs to go to Highways as it is thought that a safety bar needs at the bottom for safety reasons. This is to be given to Cllr Armstrong. Cllr Thorpe will talk to Cllr Armstrong when he is back off holiday. Action Cllr Thorpe
- 22/032 Blue plaques**
The PC have had a recommendation from the Historical society and a resident to get this plaque on to the budget for next year. This was going to

be on Mr Durlacher's house and Ian Hollands will talk to him regarding this. Ian Hollands will come back to the committee when the information has been obtained. The Basque children plaque will also be considered. There may be a remainder of the budget from the jubilee fund to purchase this.

22/033

Items for the next Agenda

Green container - this has sprung another leak which can be repaired at the same cost as last repair. The cost of this repair to go to the finance committee to agree.

Quotes for painting the container

Internal plasterboard needs to be replaced in container.

Please let Clerk know any other items for the next agenda.

22/034

Time and date of next meeting

Monday 4th July 6pm

22/035

Closure of meeting

Chairman closed the meeting at 8:24pm

Signed

Cllr Thorpe

Dated