

Minutes
Langham Parish Council (PC)
Recreation Ground and Open Spaces
Meeting 19th May 2022 6:30pm

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

22/001 Welcome and Apologies for Absence
Acceptance of apologies were received from Cllr Brockman.

22/002 Declaration of Members Interests
None Raised

22/003 Agree Minutes from the last Recreation Ground meeting 4th April 2022.
Cllr Palmer was the only Councillor present at the last meeting but agreed they were a true and accurate account.

22/004 Matter's arising from the last meeting.
None rose

22/005 Public Open Forum (maximum 10 minutes)
Questions to be noted and answered at the next meeting.

Cllr Bottwood - Gigaclear junction box on land at Moor Road and Park Lane and the possible screening of the box. A discussion took place regarding this and the Clerk was requested to make contact with the Gigaclear representative and see if they are willing to meet on site.
Fun run signs. A request from the school for storage of these signs has come into the Clerk. Clerk to find out more detail - how many and what they are. Information to come back to committee. Perhaps some photos or a visit would help to see size and amount required for storage.
It was thought that a general look into what is in the shed was recommended and then it can be seen as to what is needed and what can be got rid of.

22/006 Update on Play area

Three quotes are in and have been sent around to committee. The Komplan plan extends by 6 metres but does link the old equipment and new equipment all together. The committee will meet on site and measure the extra area and the space that is needed to have around the beacon. Feedback on this would be provided at the next meeting. The site meeting was agreed to be on Thursday 19th.

The various designs were discussed and the working party are going to meet to look at the space available and needed and to compare the quotes on site. This will then be taken back to the committee to decide further. A meeting date was agreed by all and will take place next week.

Moving the beacon was also a consideration so the fence could be extended to 6 metres. This would be discussed during the above-mentioned site meeting.

22/007 Update on Bonfire event (including contract)

This was moving on and the vans are booked for a charge of £200 each. The Fairground rides are available and have been booked as well as the extra toilets. Updates were given and things are progressing well. A Premises licence may be applied for rather than a TENS Licence due to the numbers of people attending this may be possibly over 500 people. Cllr Palmer has a contact to help with the premises and events licence. Cllr Palmer will gather more information and this will be put to the finance committee to discuss again at the next meeting and will bring a budget sheet of expenditure to the next meeting.

After a discussion it was thought to go for the Premises and Event licence. This will be taken to the Finance committee to inform them of the change from TENS licence to Premises and Event licence.

22/008 Update on Queen's Jubilee Event

This is now only a couple of weeks away and there was no Jubilee committee member present to update us.

The Celebration Jubilee tree – this has been given permission to be placed at Pond Corner. The PC will need to have something from William Maturin-Baird (who owns the land) that he will be happy for this to be planted there and he will take responsibility for the new tree in the future. Written documentation from William Maturin-Baird (Manorial land owner) will be requested for this. Bob Schofield will talk to William Maturin-Baird regarding the letter of responsibility. Action Bob Schofield.

22/009 Update on Cricket Event

The Essex Cricket Club have agreed to start the new Club on Friday 8th June at the Recreation Ground from 5:30 to 6:30pm for the 5- to 8-year-olds, they have also booked the LCC. This is on the PC website and Facebook pages and there is a link to Essex Cricket as well. There is potential to run a full-time cricket team at Langham in the future. Discussions are under way regarding this. Further updates will be given.

22/010 Village Sign payment bill

Cllr Bottwood explained the situation at the moment. This was discussed and will be taken to the finance committee for discussion. The recommendation from this committee is for the invoice to be paid Proposed Cllr Palmer seconded Cllr Thorpe All agreed.

22/011 Board of Chairman in Community Centre

Tony Emms has passed Cllr Thorpe details to the contractor and dates have been arranged for this to be completed. The date will be finalised once the room availability had been confirmed.

22/012 Items for the next Agenda

Bonfire, Play area cabinets at Moor Road.
Footpaths, Cricket, All working groups

22/013 Time and date of next meeting

Monday 13th June 2022 6:30pm

22/014 Closure of meeting

Meeting closed at 8:10pm
Chairman closed meeting.

Signed

Cllr Thorpe

Dated