

Minutes of the Langham Parish Council
Recreation Ground Committee meeting
6.30pm 04/04/2022

- 20/235 Cllr: John Palmer, Cllr: Sally Brockman, Cllr: Tony Emms (chairman) were present. Apologies from Bob Schofield and Carol Harbach (clerk).
- 20/236 Nothing to declare.
- 20/237 Minutes from last recreation ground meeting was proposed by (chairman) Tony Emms seconded by Cllr: John Palmer.
- 20/238 Matters arising from this meeting:
- 20/239 Public Open Forum – no members of the public were present.
- 20/240 New Play Area Update: Cllr John Palmer has approached 5 companies for quotations for the upgrade of the play area against the design agreed by the Play Working Group. He has currently received 2 quotes from Wicksteed and Kompan. Creative Play has withdrawn because they cannot supply metal equipment. Action-Play Leisure has not responded and Playdale are outstanding. The Kompan design would require the extension to be 6 metres wide and not 3 metres as planned. A site meeting of the Working Group is required to consider the feasibility of this.
- 20/241 Bonfire Update: Cllr: John Palmer has created a working group of 6 people organising this event (Eve, Andre, Michelle, David, David and John himself). They are making excellent progress with marketing; they have their own email address for this event and have co-partnered with West Bergholt for an on-line ticket system for the day. They have booked 4 vans for the evening food which includes Chinese, burgers, fish and chips and fajitas and a coffee vendor selling hot chocolate. It is also planned to organise alcohol facilities with gin and prosecco tents and entertainment which includes children's rides, a children's disco and possibly a singer. The intention is also to have a competition for local primary school children to win a prize for the best drawing of Guy Fawkes. The committee commended Cllr Palmer on his great work. The next meeting for the working group will take place 28th April 2022.
- 20/242 Queens Jubilee Update. Awaiting notes from Cllr Paul Armstrong from last Jubilee meeting. Cllr Sally Brockman has received the official documents through for the Jubilee flyover from the RAF that confirms there will be a FLYOVER on the Saturday and Sunday; a Spitfire and a Hurricane. (Chairman) Cllr: Tony Emms would like to invite someone from the Jubilee working group to attend future Recreation Ground meetings to update the committee.
- 20/243 Village Sign Payment Bill... ongoing carried forward.
- 20/244 Board of Chairman in community hall.... ongoing Chairman is waiting for the contractor to proceed. It is likely to go ahead in April.
- 20/245 Cricket update: the committee agreed to allow the children's All Stars Cricket events to proceed for 8 Friday evenings from 6th May. This will be free of charge. It will involve a number of 5–8-year-olds practising basic cricket skills. It is organised by Essex Cricket. This might pave the way for a cricket team to be based in the village sometime in the future using the recreation ground. Proposed by Cllr Tony Emms seconded by Cllr John Palmer. A check needs to be made with LCC for the toilets to be

available for hire on the 8 Fridays. A contract will also need to be put in place – Clerk:
Cricket Main Contract with Essex Cricket to be ongoing.

Meeting closed at:

Signed

Cllr T. Emms

Date