

MILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES of the Meeting of **Milland Recreation Ground**, Charity no. 1073462,
held on **14th January 2021**

THE PARISH COUNCIL IS THE SOLE TRUSTEE FOR THE RECREATION GROUND

Present: Mr. J Parker (in the Chair), Mr. M Cusack, Mr. C Stopher, Mrs. M Truss, Mr. N Cartwright, Mrs S Hoar, Mrs J Pilkington, Sir J Wigram

1. Absent: Mr A Farley
2. Minutes of the Meeting – 12 November 2020 – Approval proposed Sir J Wigram, seconded by Mr. N Cartwright
3. Finance Report – V Williams -

Milland Recreation Field - Statement of A/cs January 2021				
Registered Charity number 1063462			Barclays	Sort Code 20-31-06
			Account No. 13624609	
Balance brought forward 07.01.21		£6,262.00		
<i>Includes:-</i>				
Receipts:	12.11.20-14.01.21			VAT Net
Balance 04.01.21		£6,262.00		
Payments for Approval	12.11.20-14.01.21			
R Findlay	Maintenance Nov-Dec	£160.00	OL74	160.00
	Total payments due	£160.00		
	Estimated Balance	£6,102.00		

These Payments were Approved.

4. Matters Arising

a) Covid-19 on use of recreation field equipment – New signs displayed. Clerk continues to monitor the guidance which is being issued regularly regarding the use of playgrounds.

Action: Clerk

b) Ditch clearance work beside car park completed – Rob Findlay has completed an extensive clearance of the ditches. This will hopefully help drain the ‘boggy’ area to the back of the Rising Sun as well as helping the flow under the entrance to the car park.

c) Barriers to protect the lights at the entrance to the car park completed – These are now completed; it was agreed that they both look good and are adequately serving their purpose.

d) Trees – The tennis club would like more work to be done to the trees than recommended by tree surgeon Duncan Findlay, in his annual review (*with regard to the trees overhanging the tennis court, this would be unnecessary work at the current time as the prevailing wind tends to blow towards the field. Any work creates a wound to the tree which could potentially cause more problems later on. I would recommend reviewing the need for this work in two to three years time*).

Rob Findlay is programmed in to trim back the most overhanging branches, the Council will assess again after these works are completed. It must be noted that 2020 was a Mast year and therefore the oak trees produced an unusual number of acorns.

It was noted that in the future the crown lifting of the oaks will need to be carried out, this will obviously be quite extensive and expensive work, money will need to be set aside and this needs to be considered in the precept.

5. Tennis Courts

The tennis court fund currently holds £3070. JP raised the need in the future to either repaint or replace the metal uprights which support the fencing, as they are showing signs of significant rust. This would require removing the panels post by post. It was discussed that the tennis club may need to contribute further or that potentially a working group could be formed to carryout the works.

6. Date of next meeting – Thursday 11 March 2021

Chairman: Date:

These minutes are unconfirmed until signed by the Chairman.