

**MILLAND PARISH COUNCIL**

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**MINUTES** of the Meeting of **Milland Recreation Ground**, Charity no. 1073462,  
 held on **11<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

*THE PARISH COUNCIL IS THE SOLE TRUSTEE FOR THE RECREATION GROUND*

**Present:** Mrs. L Myles (LM) (in the Chair), Mr. J Parker (JVP), Mr. C Stopher (CS), Mrs. S Hoar (SH), Mrs. M Truss (MT), Sir J Wigram (JW)

**1. Apologies:**

Mrs. J Pilkington, Mr A Farley

**2. Minutes of the Meeting – 09 March 2022 – Approval proposed Mrs. M Truss and seconded Mrs. S Hoar**

**3. Finance Report – V Williams**

**a. Payments for Approval**

creation Field - Statement of A/cs May 2022					
Charity number 1063462					
rought forward 31.03.22					
					£6,750.47
<b>Previously Made</b>					
<b>Payments Made</b>	<b>Description</b>		<b>Net</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Gross</b>
CDC AC/S	Bins Annual Emptying Charge				£180.96
			<b>Total</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£180.96</b>
<b>Recieved</b>					
<b>Payments Recieved</b>	<b>Description</b>				
Bonfire Committee	Grant for new Trim Trail		£1,000.00		
			<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,000.00</b>	
<b>for Approval</b>					
<b>Payments For Approval</b>	<b>Description</b>		<b>Net</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Gross</b>
Rob Findlay	Maintenance March-April	OL85	£994.00	£0.00	994.00
			<b>Totals</b>	<b>£994.00</b>	<b>£994.00</b>
<b>Total payments due</b>			<b>£994.00</b>		
<b>Estimated Balance after Payments</b>			<b>£5,575.51</b>		

These Payments were Approved.

**Action: Clerk**

**4. Annual Recreation Field Review – See attached report**

- The Clerk summarised the Spring Recreation Field Review attended by herself, Rob Findlay and Jeremy Parker (as Chair).
- Special thanks to Rob Findlay for his ongoing hard work maintaining the field and actioning the points on the reviews.
- Significant points to note:
  - Village Hall
    - i. Soil and vegetation above the damp proof course on corner wall of VH by toddler play area.

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- ii. Possible Repointing and Roof repairs to be necessary.

**Action: Clerk to Contact VH**

- o Playground Equipment
  - Basketball backboard broken and potentially dangerous. It has therefore been removed and the Clerk had put up signs to explain the action.
  - Clerk is communicating with Wicksted for a quote for the replacement part.
- o Tennis Court Fencing
  - See Point 5 Below

**Action: Clerk**

**5. Tennis Court Update**

- Following the extensive works to repaint the courts it was sadly reported by the Chair of the Milland Tennis Club (MTC), that people had been discovered playing football on the courts following unauthorised entry.
- MTC stated that a lot of work, time and money had been put into the upkeep of the courts and they were extremely disappointed by this behaviour.
- The Clerk Reported that after further discussion with MTC it was agreed that they would secure the bottom chain link further and Rob Findlay on behalf of the PC would secure the top of the fencing and also add further chain link above the door to prevent further unauthorised access.

**6. Playground Equipment**

**a. Replacement of Trim Trail**

- The Clerk reported that there had been a successful consultation with both Hollycombe School and Milland Valley Nursery - she gave thanks to both for all their assistance and enthusiasm.
- The results of the children’s voting highlighted a clear winner for the children’s choice:
  - o Sovereign received 53 of the total 98 votes from the school and they also came in as the cheapest at £11,736.37 (*Due to the time passed since quotes submitted and because of the current unprecedented increase in cost of materials all quotes are out of date but accurate for comparison purposes*).

Milland Recreation Field								
Trim Trail Replacement								
Initial Quotes - October 21 - updated May 2022								
Company	Nursery Votes	School Votes					Total	Cost
		yr R	yr 1/2	yr 3/4	yr 5/6			
Sovereign	4	7	13	12	21	<b>53</b>	£11,736.37	
Playsafe	3	5	4	11	6	<b>26</b>	£15,927.00	
Creative Play	<b>7</b>	7	5	4	1	<b>17</b>	£17,028.00	
Kompan	0	0	0	1	1	<b>2</b>	£10,147 - Not Including Installation	

- After a brief discussion it was unanimously **Agreed** that Sovereign to be awarded the contract.
- Clerk to ask Sovereign for a revised quote and proceed with Lottery Funding Application.

**Action: Clerk**

**8. Date of next meeting – 13 July 2022 - ASM**

Chairman: ..... Date: .....

*These minutes are unconfirmed until signed by the Chairman.*

**MILLAND RECREATION GROUND – AUTUMN REVIEW – 09 May 2022**

Item	Comment	Action
Car park	Ditches working	No Action
Handrails on bridge	Timber rails replaced	Complete
Ditches either side of entrance	Working as required	No Action
Rights of Way notice board	Still required	MC to update
Ditch between car park and pub	Working	No Action
Bike Rack	To be moved to the shop	RF
Junior Play area	<b>RoSPA Items</b> Gate closing  Trip point at entrance  Surface wearing – Rocker / Rotator	Complete  Soil to be added  Soil to be added
Bollards by entrance to field	Raised due to debris	Complete
Wildlife area for Nursery School	Good condition	No Action
Tennis Courts	Hedge trimming complete	No Action
Door	Add Chain-link above door	RF
Fence	Reattach chain-link to top rail	RF
Swings	Grease Bearings	
Play Tower	RoSPA Item Worn ground areas - ongoing	RF to add soil
Play Tower Surface	Monitor wood surround  Play bark added level to be monitored	Replace wood as necessary  Ongoing
Village Hall	Soil and vegetation above the damp proof course on corner wall of VH by toddler play area  Possible Repointing and Roof repairs to be reported	Clerk to contact LK  RF to strim
Basketball unit	Basketball backboard broken	RF to remove Clerk to display sign and contact

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	Surface cracking	Wicksteed for replacement part
	New net required	To be monitored
Yellow climbing frame + surface	Good condition	Complete
Mole activity	Minimal activity	No Action
Field	Bonfire site made good, a layer of soil removed and 11 tonnes of topsoil added and re-seeded.	To be monitored
Hedges	Seasonal cut complete	Complete
Trees around field	Foxmeade to prune trees overhanging their property	No Action
Ditches on Iping Road	Channel under entrance needs rodding	Complete
	Ditches working	No Action