

Bulmer Parish Council

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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the LAWRENCE COE RECREATIONAL TRUST
Charity Registration Number 1099131
and COES MEADOW MANAGEMENT COMITTEE
held at 7.15pm on Monday 16th May 2022 at Bulmer Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Crawshay, Nichols, Ponty, Raymond, Street

In the Chair: Cllr Nichols, Chairman Coes Meadow Management Committee

Clerk: Claire Waters Also Present: 9 parishioners

- 1. **Welcome and introduction -** Cllr Laurence Nichols, Bulmer Parish Council Vice-Chairman and Chairman of the Coes Meadow Management Committee.
- 3 Coes Meadow working parties had taken place on Saturdays over the year, with good support from local residents. Between 15 and 20 volunteers had helped with general maintenance and vegetation clearance at two of the working parties, with the other one less well attended due to being on a Bank Holiday weekend.
- Thanks were given to Cllr Wendy Scattergood, BDC for supporting Coes Meadow with a £500.00 Councillor's Community Grant during the 2021-22 Financial year for repair of the basketball court surface.
- Plans for the coming year include replacement of the goal post and net, and installation of new
 picnic benches and litter bins. General maintenance of the play equipment will also be carried out
 by volunteers.
- A grant of £2,000 each year from Bulmer Parish Council covers essential maintenance and grass cutting. All other funds will have to come from fund raising events which have been difficult to organise during the pandemic. A payment of £375 for tree pruning and clearance in spring 2022 is due.

2. Financial report 2021-22

- A copy of the end of year Accounting Statement for the Lawrence Coe Recreational Trust was available at the meeting (see Appendix 1) and will be published on the Bulmer website.
- A separate bank account in the name of the Lawrence Coe Recreational Trust, managed by the Parish Council, has been set up this year for Coes Meadow funds
- The clerk confirmed that Bulmer Parish Council, as sole trustee of the charity, is legally able to
 pay invoices and reclaim VAT on any purchases made for the charity, in the same way as it can in
 its capacity as a local authority. The net amount of the invoice can then be repaid to the Parish
 Council from Coes Meadow funds.
- **3. Public forum** to invite members of the public to raise questions or matters of interest Cllr Street raised the issue of grass cuttings being left across footpaths. This led to general discussion of grass cutting issues.

Action: The clerk requested that any grass cutting problems are reported to her using a map of the area with the locations clearly marked, to enable this to be communicated effectively to the grass cutting contractor.

4. Close of Sole Trustee meeting The meeting closed at 7.25pm



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Appendix 1

LAURENCE COE RECREATIONAL TRUST: COES MEADOW Charity Registration Number 1099131

End of Year Accounts - 2021/2022

Bank Balances as a Current Account Savings Account From Bulmer PC: Balance transfer	£	1/3/2021 - 2,075.16		£2,075.16
Income				
Bulmer PC grant Water Rates	£2,000.00			
Church	£	68.43		
S106	£	-		
Other Grants	£	500.00		
Donations	£	-		
Fundraising	_			
events	£	-		
Other	£	-		
				£2,568.43
Expenditure				
Admin costs	£	-		
Meetings	£	-		
Water	£	50.16		
Grass Cutting	£	640.00		
Tree Work	£	975.00		
Play area	£	921.99		
Professional Fees	£	90.31		
VAT	£	310.80		£2,988.26
Bank Balances as a			TOTAL	£1,655.33
Current Account	£1	,655.33	TOTAL	£1,655.33