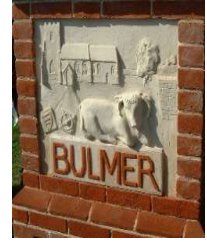




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**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the
LAWRENCE COE RECREATIONAL TRUST
Charity Registration Number 1099131
and COES MEADOW MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
starting at 8.30pm on Wednesday 26th April 2023 at Bulmer Village Hall**



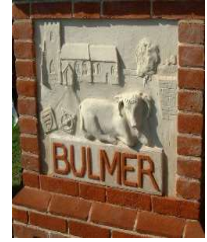
Present: Cllrs Crawshay, Nichols, Raymond, Harvey
In the Chair: Cllr Nichols, Chairman Coes Meadow Management Committee
Clerk: Claire Waters
Also Present: 1 parishioner

1. **Welcome and introduction** - Cllr Laurence Nichols, Bulmer Parish Council Vice-Chairman and Chairman of the Coes Meadow Management Committee.
 - Over the past year the goal net and frame have been replaced and 3 new picnic tables were installed in March 2023. It was reported that feedback from Coes Meadow visitors has been very positive
 - Litter bins still need to be replaced. These may need to be financed from reserves as there is a limit to the availability of S106 funds which are earmarked for open spaces in the parish
 - Further working parties are planned for the spring and summer months and all volunteers are welcome. No other major expenditure is planned except for the regular grass cutting this year
 - Cllr Harvey reported seeing a dead duck at the pond, which she had reported to the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs as recommended by government guidance on avian flu. It is advised that members of the public do not touch dead wild birds but they are not always collected by the authorities.
2. **Financial report 2022-23**
 - 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.
 - In order to save money on the precept (the Parish Council proportion of the rates), the annual grant from Bulmer Parish Council has been reduced this year from £2,000 to £1,500
 - Lower funding availability should not be an immediate problem but makes it even more important for volunteers to help at working parties if they can
3. **Public forum** – to invite members of the public to raise questions or matters of interest
Cllr Crawshay asked it to be noted that Rob Wright who has been emptying Coes Meadow bins on a voluntary basis for many years, is considering stepping down from doing this on a regular basis. It was agreed that his help with this had been appreciated enormously and he will be missed.
A bin store for the collected purple sacks at the Coes Meadow car park had been offered by Cathey Ponty when she was still a member of the Parish Council. Cllr Nichols will follow this up
4. **Close of Sole Trustee meeting** The meeting closed at 8.38pm



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Appendix 1

LAURENCE COE RECREATIONAL TRUST: COES MEADOW

Charity Registration Number 1099131

End of Year Accounts – 2022/2023

Bank Balances as at 31/3/2022

Current Account	£ 1,655.33	
Savings Account	£ -	
		£1,655.33

Income

Bulmer PC grant	£2,000.00	
Water Rates		
Church	£ -	
S106	£ -	
Other Grants	£ -	
Donations	£ 200.00	
Fundraising events	£ -	
Other	£ -	
		£2,200.00

Expenditure

Admin costs	£ -	
Meetings	£ -	
Water	£ 57.40	
Grass Cutting	£ 680.00	
Tree Work	£ 706.10	
Play area	£ 233.30	
Professional Fees	£ 72.00	
VAT	£ 34.10	
		£1,782.90

TOTAL £2,072.43

Bank Balances as at 31/3/2023

Current Account	£2,072.43	
TOTAL		£2,072.43