# Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Pavilion on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 8pm

#### Present:

Councillor I Armstrong (Chairman), Councillor R Collins, Councillor K Hornett, Councillor C Knapman, Councillor L Kane, Clerk.

#### 21/31 Apologies for Absence

None received.

# 21/32 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

#### 21/33 Declarations of Interest

None.

#### 21/34 Public Participation Session

No members of the public were present.

# 21/35 Finance

35.1 It was resolved that the Parish Council to approve the playground project. The meeting thanked Councillor Knapman for his significant contribution to this project. It was noted that three residents attended the site meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> August.
35.2 It was resolved that the Parish Council to appoint Playsafe as contractor for the playground works. Costs are anticipated to be £76,000 + VAT.

**35.3 It was resolved that** the Parish Council to take ownership and responsibility of the equipment once installed. It was noted that project funds will contribute towards external audit costs incurred due to an increase in income/expenditure in years 2020/21 and 2021/22, post installation inspection and five-year servicing.

## 21/36 Environment

**It was resolved that** the Parish Council to request additional cuts as part of the 2021 grass cutting contract with Maldon District Council, when necessary, at a cost of £42 per hour.

# 21/37 Grant Applications

**It was resolved that** the Parish Council to approve the proposed Community Initiative Fund (CIF) grant application for a 'sensory learning hub' for the playground.

# 21/38 Accounts for Payment

It was resolved that the accounts for payment between 8<sup>th</sup> July and 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021 be approved as follows:

Staff costs	£211.80
HMRC	£53.00
Maldon District Council (Trucam)	£252.43
Maldon District Council (grass cutting)	£1152.00
Cloud Next	£56.36
Councillor Knapman (expenses)	£260.40

## Meeting closed at 9.10pm