

Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Minutes of the extra ordinary Fairground and Cemetery Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 13th August 2019 at 7.30pm at The Parish Council Office, 27 Victoria Road, Mortimer. RG7 3SH.

Present:

Councillors:

Cllr. J. Bull (Chairman), Cllr. S. Beard, Cllr. M. Dennett, Cllr. S. Hill, Cllr. L. Jones, Cllr. K. Johnson, Cllr. M. Lock, Cllr. D. Morsley.

Officers:

Mrs. L. Hannawin

Public/Press:

There were no members of the public or press present. Mr. N. Kiley and Mrs. T. Reade attended on behalf of Stratfield Mortimer Fairground Charity.

Part I

19/13 Public Questions:

None

19/14 To receive any apologies for absence:

None

19/15 To receive any declarations of interest and dispensations:

None

19/16 To receive and approve the minutes for the Fairground and Cemetery Committee meeting held on Thursday, 23rd July 2019:

The minutes were received and **APPROVED** to be signed as a true record of the meeting with 3 abstentions.

19/17 Matters for Communication:

1. An update on unauthorised encampments shall be included in the next newsletter.

19/18 Future Agenda Items

1. Review of the security of tennis courts.

19/19 Exclusion of Press and Public

To pass a resolution to exclude members of the press and public from the meeting at Part II, item 19/20 on the Agenda, due to the confidential nature of the information being discussed.

It was **AGREED** unanimously to exclude members of the public and press from the meeting at Part II, item 19/20 on the agenda, due to the confidential nature of the information being discussed.

Mr. N. Kiley and Mrs. T. Reade remained for 19/20. As Trustees of Stratfield Mortimer Fairground Charity they are also landlords as per the The Fairground lease. The Parish Council rents the Fairground from the charity and The Fairground lease states that any additions and alterations to The Fairground can only be made having obtained the approval of the Landlord.

Part II

19/20 Fairground and Grazing Area Access:

1. To review all current means of access to the area.

All means of access to both the front and grazing areas of The Fairground were reviewed, and potential issues raised and discussed.

2. To AGREE actions to be taken to reduce unauthorised access.

A plan was established to increase the security of The Fairground. This included temporary measures to take place with immediate effect, whilst longer term solutions are investigated and deployed. Consideration was given to the need for ongoing access versus the need for security. Advice regarding emergency access requirements shall be sought accordingly.

Close

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for 26/11/2019.