

Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Full Council 14/04/2022

Queen's Platinum 70th Jubilee

Agenda item 21/144 2c: To resolve the payment of £5,000 to Mortimer Music Live for costs for the Saturday commemorations of the Queen's 70th Jubilee.

BACKGROUND

Friday Night Event

The Friday Night event is being organised and paid for by Mortimer Music Live (MML). They are running it as additional contribution by MML to the Jubilee celebrations. They are funding the acts, bar stock, additional staging and the crew costs for the evening. In return, to go towards the cost of running the event, they will be keeping the Friday night bar revenue. Their current plan shows them breaking even but if a loss should be made, the cost will be borne by MML.

SMPC will be collecting a percentage of concession and funfair takings, as per any agreements with vendors.

Saturday Evening Event

Because of their experience, MML are organising the Saturday evening music on behalf of SMPC under their (MML's) events licence. The forecasted cost is £8,850. SMPC will be paying some costs directly, but MML have requested a payment of £5,000 to assist with cashflow and to enable the payment of numerous smaller costs. This will be fully accounted for after the event.

Licensing and Bar

MML have permitted the use of its licence for the entire weekend celebrations and will ensure that the event is compliant with the licensing terms. They will assist with the information that needs to be submitted to the licensing authority ahead of the weekend. As licensed events, only alcohol purchased at one of the bars may be consumed on site. (As advertised in next two editions of the Village Eye).

MML will acquire the stock for the bar on SMPC's behalf and where possible, will do that on account, so that they are billed post-event. If anything needs paying upfront, they may need a further advance to cover that expenditure, unless SMPC is invoiced directly.

It is proposed that MML collect all revenue from the bar on behalf of SMPC and account for the monies after the event. The profit from the bar will be used to offset the costs of the event. If the bar does very well, MML would like SMPC to consider agreeing to them retaining a percentage of the bar profit from Saturday night, as a gesture for the use of their licence and running the bar. Any amount retained by MML would go towards future village events as per their constitution.

Insurance

It may be more practical to insure the whole event via a specialist insurer who'll cover all aspects of the event for a smaller premium. This would include the value of all hired equipment, which is not covered by damage waivers. MML can assist and advise with this and will liaise with the Clerk and Q70 Working Party accordingly.

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