

Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Minutes of the Strategy Working Party Meeting held online on Thursday 4 August 2022 @ 7.30pm

Draft minutes subject to approval

Present

Cllr M Lock, Cllr. G. Bridgman, Cllr A Marsden, Cllr S. Hill, Cllr N Carter.

1: Apologies

Cllr M. Dennett, L Hannawin, B O' Reilly.

2: Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of last meeting were approved although Cllr Carter took the action to sort out the duplication in the document

3: Election of chairman

Cllr N. Carter was elected to chair the working party meetings

4: Objective

4.1: Purpose of the working party

We discussed the possible roles of this group. We concluded it's purpose as to identify candidates for future projects and quantify their high level business case, as part of the council's medium/long term planning process. When candidates "pass" business case review, depending on their nature, the group will either seek to pass them to the relevant committee or progress them itself. The group does not set out to manage/check up on projects that other committees are running.

4: Projects and Project Candidates

4.1: Allotments

Cllr Marsden is working on this and seeking details of a landowner, which was supplied during the meeting. She will follow up with them.

4.1: Projects backlog

We discussed the 2020 public consultation, that sought feedback on specific projects (toilets/library/exercise equipment) because it also invited suggestions for others.

We discussed that the group may wish to review the public input and responses we have to see if it sparks proposals for new projects.

We also discussed that the role of councillors as elected people ('community leaders' perhaps) is to have their own ideas.

We concluded that CCTV, assumed on the fairground, is a good such new project candidate to investigate, taking account that Burghfield has implemented a system, there is long standing public request for it and it was on a prior Parish Plan as a priority.

Action:

- All to review the 2020 ideas and our feedback on them, prior to next meeting. This list is filterable by topic <https://www.stratfield-mortimer.gov.uk/sites/smpc/files/2021-06/SMPC%20public%20ideas%20and%20comments%202020.xlsx>
- Cllr Bridgman to obtain/share details of the Burghfield rec. CCTV system.

6: Next meeting

Future meeting proposed for late Sept/Oct at a date to be advised.

Meeting closed at 21:00

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