

13/10/2022

Full Council Meeting

Clerk's Report - Appendix 22/065

- 1. External Annual Governance Accountability Return: The Notice of Conclusion of Audit has been posted to the noticeboards and website, along with certified AGAR Sections 1, 2 & 3, prior to the deadline of the 30th September.
- 2. Operation London Bridge: On hearing of the death of Her majesty Queen Elizabeth, the Council's agreed procedure was put in place with the website being promptly updated with the official photograph and words of condolence. The online book of condolence was also opened, although no messages were received. Other relevant information was posted to the website to keep residents informed. On receipt of the email regarding the National Silence for Reflection, to be held on Sunday the 18th of September, the decision was taken to support the village by inviting people to come together on the Fairground for the Moment of Reflection. Cllr. Kilshaw arranged for the necessary technical support and a successful, if brief, event was held. The cost was £290.00 ex VAT. A thank you was issued to all concerned.
- 3. **Swing Dome Remedial Work**: Resurfacing of the Swing Dome safety surface took place on the 14th of September. The new surface needed 24 hours to set, and the contractors put up HERAS fencing to prevent use of the equipment. Within 2 hours of the contractors finishing the work, persons unknown gained access to the area and vandalised the new surface. This was reported to the police via 101 on the 15th of September 2022, ref number: 0567150922. The HERAS fencing, which belonged to the contractors, was left in place whilst waiting for the damaged surface to be addressed. Overnight of the 18th/19th, the HERAS fencing was torn down and damage was sustained to 3 panels, with a further panel being thrown over the fence. The contractors were informed about the damage, which the Custodian had managed to repair. This incident was also reported to the police.
- 4. **Mortimer Youth Club:** Suggestions on how the donated funds should be spent will be sought in the next newsletter and considered at a future Full Council meeting.
- 5. **Freedom of Information Requests (FOI)**: Two FOIs have been received and these are being dealt with as per the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act.
- 6. **CIL Report 2021/22**: This has been completed and returned to West Berkshire Council (WBC) and uploaded to the website: SMPC CIL Report 2021-22 V2.pdf

(<u>stratfield-mortimer.gov.uk</u>). At the request of WBC, an additional section has been included to show the CIL funds allocated during the year but not, as yet, spent i.e. transfers to the Cemetery and Tennis Court Earmarked Reserves.