



Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council Agenda

All Members of the Council are Summoned to attend the Meeting of the Parish Council to be held at Mortimer Methodist Church Hall, 17 West End Road, Mortimer, RG7 3TB on Thursday the 14th of September 2023 at 7.30pm

PUBLIC AND PRESS

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend.

Part I

23/056 Public Questions (for agenda items only) - DM

23/057 To receive any apologies for absence - DM

23/058 To receive any declarations of interest - DM

To receive from Members at this point or at any point during the meeting, in respect of any items included on the agenda, disclosure of any interests in line with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct and gifts and hospitality in line with Government legislation.

Members are reminded that if they declare an interest they may have to leave immediately after having made representations, given evidence, or answered questions and before the debate starts unless he/she has obtained a dispensation.

23/059 Minutes of Last Meeting - DM

To resolve to approve the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council of the 17th of August 2023.

23/060 Clerk's Report - CLERK

To receive a report from the Parish Clerk outlining actions taken following the Meeting of the Council held on the 13th of July 2023 and the Extraordinary Meeting held on the 17th of August 2023 and other updates. Appendix 23/060 circulated.

23/061 Items to be taken into private session - DM

To determine which items, if any, of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

23/062 Committee and Working Party Reports

1. Planning Committee – **DB**
2. Finance and General Purposes - **DM**
3. Climate and Environment Working Party – **AM**

4. Communications Working Party - **GB**
5. Garth Hall Working Party - **MD**
6. Mortimer to Burghfield Cycleway and Footpath - **DM**
7. The Street Footway Working Party - **Working Party Chairman**

23/063 Items for Consideration and Resolution

1. Neighbourhood Plan – GB

To resolve:

- a. the terms of Review of Reserved Land, as set out in 10.2.1 paragraph 3 of the NDP, have been met in full.
- b. the use of the Reserved Land on the MOR006 site be modified to provide
 - i. An outdoor play space for St John's School with staff car parking
 - ii. A new dental practice for Oaktree Dental Surgery
 - iii. Reserve space for a possible medical surgery in the future
 - iv. 20 new homes reserved for Senior residents (over 55 / 65 TBA)
- c. This plan will be achieved through the combination of the reserved 1ha of land specified in the current Neighbourhood Plan and the site known as Redwood. This site will be purchased by TA Fisher.
- d. To progress this change through a Planning Application submitted by TA Fisher.

2. Friends of Mortimer Library - DM

To appoint up to two Council representatives to the Executive Committee.

3. Projector - GB

To resolve to purchase a new projector at a cost of up to £750.00.

4. Members Bid – GB

To resolve to seek the support of the District Councillors and Members' Bid to upgrade the water supply to the grazing area.

5. D-Day 80 – CLERK

To review the information received and consider and agree the Council's role in commemorating the event on the 6th of June 2024.

6. Youth Club Donated Funds Earmarked Reserve – DM

To consider the proposals received for appropriate projects and resolve the allocation of funds.

7. External Audit - CLERK

To receive the report for 2022/23.

8. Budget 2024/25 - CLERK

To receive confirmation of the approach and timetable for the preparation of the 2024/25 budget as agreed by Finance and General Purposes.

9. Christmas Function 2023 – DM/GB

To consider and resolve to:

- a. Part pay the cost of the 2023 Christmas function to recognise the contribution to the life of the parish that parish councillors make without financial reward.
- b. Part pay the cost of the Christmas function for three employees as guests of the Council.

23/064 Finance

1. Accounts to the 31st of July 2023 – RFO

To receive and approve the Income and Expenditure Report to the 31st of July 2023 and the Balance Sheet as of that date.

2. Payments made with authorisation of Chairman/Vice-Chairman – DM

To receive and note summary of payments: Appendix 23/064 2 – circulated

3. Accounts for Payment - CLERK

To receive and approve items of expenditure: Appendix 23/064 3 – circulated

23/065 Items for information only

1. To note the meetings that have taken place of the following committees and to receive the draft minutes, where available: - **DM**
 - a. Planning 27/07/2023
 - b. Planning 24/08/2023
 - c. Finance and General Purposes 05/09/2023
2. District Councillor Reports – **NC/GM/VP**
3. Correspondence: Appendix 23/065 3 circulated - **CLERK**
4. Planning decisions and information from West Berkshire Council: Appendix 23/065 4 circulated - **DB**
5. Neighbourhood Action Group report – **GB/JW**
6. Health and Safety - **CLERK**
7. Minor Matters – **DM**

23/066 Communications - DM

To identify items for communicating.

23/067 Future Agenda Items - DM

To identify future agenda items

23/068 Exclusion of Press and Public - DM

To pass a resolution under Section 1, Paragraph 2 of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, to exclude members of the press and public from the meeting at Part II, items identified at 23/061 on the Agenda, due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Mrs. L. Hannawin, Clerk

08/09/2023