



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 11 July 2024 at 7:30pm

PUBLIC AND PRESS

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend.

Part I

24/036 Public Questions - DM

24/037 To receive any apologies for absence - DM

24/038 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, and gifts and hospitality in line with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct.

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.

24/039 Minutes of Last Meeting - DM

To resolve to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of 13 June 2024.

24/040 Chairman's Remarks - DM

24/041 Clerk's Report – CLERK

To receive a report from the Parish Clerk outlining actions taken following the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 14 March 2024 and other updates. *Report 24/041.*

24/042 Items to be taken into private session - DM

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

24/043 Reports from Committees, Steering Groups, Working Parties and Outside Bodies.

1. Roads, Footpaths and Commons - **AM**
2. Climate and Environment Steering Group - **AM**
3. Communications Steering Group - **GB**
4. Emergency Planning Working Party - **AR**
5. Garth Hall Working Party – **MD/GB**

6. Outside Bodies - **REPRESENTATIVES**

24/044 Items for Consideration and Resolution

1. Councillor Vacancy - DM

To consider any applications for co-option to fill the Casual Vacancies on the Parish Council and vote to appoint a co-opted parish councillor.

2. Policies - DM

To consider any policies requiring consideration, amendment or approval.

3. Neighbourhood Plan – GB

- a. To receive and endorse a written report from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (NPSG).
- b. To resolve the Resolution passed on 14 September 2023 relating to the Stratfield Mortimer Neighbourhood Development Plan and the Review and use of the Reserved Land, is amended to: (1) remove b iii; (2) edit b iv to become b iii; and (3) add the words “at least” in front of the words in the (new) b iii.

4. Bus Shelters – CLERK

To consider the information received and agree the response to West Berkshire Council (WBC) regarding the potential offer for shelters for the proposed sites and/or alternative sites.

5. Mortimer to Burghfield Cycleway and Footpath – DM

To resolve the Clerk in conjunction with the Chairman of Council, having taking soundings from the Mortimer to Burghfield Cycleway and Footpath Steering Group, can authorise expenditure up to £22,750.00 in order to progress the project with Ridge & Partners LLP.

24/045 Finance

1. Accounts for Payment – CLERK

To receive and approve items of expenditure - Schedule A i: *Report 24/045 1.*

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

To receive and note a summary of payments made - Schedules B i and B ii: *Report 24/045 2*

3. Subscriptions and Continuous Payments – CLERK

To receive and note a summary of payments made – Schedule C: *Report 24/045 3*

24/046 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. Roads, Footpaths and Commons
2. District Councillor Reports – **NC/GM/VP**
3. Correspondence: *Report 24/046 3* - **CLERK**
4. Planning decisions and information from West Berkshire Council: *Report 24/046 4* - **GB**
5. Neighbourhood Action Group report – **DK/JW**
6. Health and Safety - **CLERK**
7. Councillor Surgeries - **COUNCILLORS**
8. Minor Matters – **DM**

24/047 Communications - DM

To identify items for communicating.

24/048 Future Agenda Items - DM

To identify future agenda items

24/049 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 24/042 on the Agenda, due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Mrs. L. Hannawin, Clerk
04/07/2024