



Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council Agenda

Members of the Finance and General Purposes Committee are Summomed to attend the Committee Meeting to be held at Mortimer Methodist Church Hall, 17 West End Road, Mortimer Common, RG7 3TB on Thursday 5 December 2024 at 19:30

PUBLIC AND PRESS

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend.

Part I

24/027 Public Questions (for agenda items only) - DM

24/028 To receive any apologies for absence - DM

24/029 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 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 they have obtained a dispensation.

24/030 Minutes of Last Meeting - DM

To approve and sign the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 7 November 2024.

24/031 Chairman's Remarks - DM

24/032 Clerk's Report - CLERK

To receive a report from the Parish Clerk outlining actions taken following the meeting held on 7 November 2024 and other updates. *Report 24/032.*

24/033 Items to be taken into private session - DM

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

24/034 Steering Group and Working Party Reports

1. Communication - **GB**
2. Emergency Planning - **AR**
3. Mortimer to Burghfield Cycleway and Footpath - **DM**

24/035 Items for Consideration and Resolution.

1. Policies - DM

To consider any Policies within the ambit of the Committee requiring consideration, amendment, or proposal to full Council.

2. Budget 2025/26 - CLERK

To consider and approve the draft budget for circulation to Council members for comment.

3. Investment Strategy 2025/26 – DM

To review and approve the Investment Strategy for recommendation for approval by full Council.

4. War Memorial – CLERK

To receive an update on the ownership status of the War Memorial and agree any further actions for recommendation to full Council.

5. Personnel - DM

To receive an update from the Personnel Committee on the:

- a. Management of staff training.
- b. Handover to the new Clerk.

24/036 Finance

1. Accounts to 31 October 2024 - RFO

To receive and consider the Income and draft Expenditure Report to 31 October 2024 and the Balance Sheet as at that date.

2. Training Budget – RFO

To note the Training Budget for 2024/25 of £1,500 is overspent by £286.00 as at 31 October 2024.

24/037 Items for information only - DM

Minor Matters

24/038 Communications - DM

To identify items for communicating

24/039 Future Agenda Items - DM

To identify future agenda items

24/040 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 24/033 on the Agenda, due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Mrs. L. Hannawin, Clerk 29/11/2024