



Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on Thursday 24 April 2025 at 19:30 at Mortimer Methodist Church Hall, West End Road, Mortimer, RG7 3TB

Present

Councillors

CLLrs A Richardson (Chairman), G Bridgman, H Kilshaw, M Lock, D Morsley.

Officers of the Council

S Taylor

Public/Press

No members of the public or press attended.

Part I

24/184 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr S Hill.

24/185 To receive any declarations of interest

None were received.

24/186 Public Questions

None received.

24/187 Minutes of last meeting

The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Thursday 27 March were received with no amendments and approved unanimously for signature by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

24/188 Chairman's remarks

- Cllr Richardson had no remarks

24/189 Items to be taken into private session

None.

24/190 Policies

None to discuss.

24/191 Current Projects

a Tower House Farm

Cllr Bridgman reported that we are still waiting for the planning application for the reserved land. We are also still waiting to hear back from West Berkshire Council re the maintenance of the public open space.

b Mortimer to Burghfield Footpath/Cycleway

Cllr Richardson reported that a Steering Group (SG) meeting was held prior to the Planning Committee meeting to discuss where we are with the whole project. There are concerns about the rising costs. Cllr Kilshaw will lead the SG from 15 May and Cllr Morsley will step down as lead. The SG is going to take a new angled look at the project with the view to take control back and to try to start things moving and approach smaller local contractors.

24/192 Schedule of Applications for consideration

25/00575/FUL: Rosewood Longmore Lane Mortimer Common Reading RG7 3RP

Demolition of existing bungalow and garage and replace with a new detached custom build dwelling and triple garage.

SMPC Comments: Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council considered the plans for this application at its Planning Committee meeting on 24 April under agenda item 24/192 and has no objections.

24/193 Schedule of Applications to note

25/00698/TPW: 76 Victoria Road Mortimer Common Reading RG7 3QX

G2 - 6x Holly, 2x Hazel and Lorrel bushes: Reduce the height to approx. 4 metres.

25/00571/CERTP: 55 Groves Lea Mortimer Reading RG7 3SS

Single storey rear extension; Changes to ground floor fenestration on side elevations; New patio less than 300mm high.

24/194 Applications for Future Consideration

None at present.

24/195 Appeals for consideration

The Planning Committee discussed Planning Appeal APP/W0340/W/25/3361998 for Hunter's Lodge, Brewery Common and agreed there was no need to comment.

24/196 Items for information only

a Decisions received from West Berkshire Council

25/00276/TPW: 3 Stanmore Gardens Mortimer Common Reading RG7 2JW

T1 - London Plane: Crown lift to 4m, thin canopy by 15% removing crossing rubbing branches and major deadwood, reduce canopy by 1- 2m to suitable growth points whilst retaining nice tree shape and balance (as per photos provided. APPROVED – 10 April 2025.

25/00214/CERTP: 44 Stephens Close Mortimer Common Reading RG7 3TY

Single storey/flat roof sun room, outside rendered. 2.4m bi-fold doors facing into garden, 800x1.4x4 windows facing down garden. 3mx2m roof lantern. Height under 3m width 4.5m, distance from house 2.9m.

REFUSED – 15 April 2025

b Minor matters for information

None.

24/197 Communications

No items for communicating identified.

24/198 Future Agenda Items

No specific items for a future agenda identified.

Part II (if needed)

24/199 Exclusion of Public and Press

Not required.

Close

The meeting closed at 20:01