

MINUTES of the Court of Verderers held on Wednesday 19th September at 9.30 a.m. in the Library, The Queen's House, Lyndhurst.

PRESENT:	Mr O Crosthwaite Eyre	Official Verderer
	Mr J Adams	Elected Verderer & Chairman of the Staff Committee
	Mr P Frost	Natural England Appointed Verderer
	Mr A Gerrelli	Elected Verderer
	Mrs D Halford	National Park Authority Appointed Verderer
	Mr J F Kitcher	Elected Verderer
	The Hon R Montagu	Forestry Commission Appointed Verderer
	Mr A H Pasmore	Elected Verderer
	Mrs P Thorne	DEFRA Appointed Verderer
IN ATTENDANCE:	Miss S Westwood	Clerk to the Verderers
	Mr J R Gerrelli	Head Agister
APOLOGIES:	Miss D Macnair	Elected Verderer
	The Hon R Montagu	Arrived for the Open Court and subsequent committee

IN COMMITTEE

The Head Agister attended the meeting for the first two items.

2007/3271 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING DISCHARGE

The Minutes of the Courts held on Wednesday, 18th July 2007 were approved.

The Minutes of the Court held on Wednesday, 8th August 2007 were subject to amendment on Page 2 but were otherwise approved.

2007/3272 CONDITION OF STOCK RESUME

The Head Agister reported that stock is generally in good condition. The drifts are now well underway and commoners and spectators at the drifts have commented how well the ponies are looking. Inevitably, one or two ponies have been removed because their condition has given cause for concern and their owners have been very co-operative.

Cattle are also looking well. Movement restrictions are in place because of the outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease in Surrey. Cattle which are on the Forest must remain out. The pannage season is suspended. Pigs and sheep already out (on the Commons) will not be moved.

2007/3273 STRANGLES RESUME

Strangles has re-appeared. A few ponies showing symptoms have been seen at Emery Down and Alum Green. At Turf Hill (CP) a group of young ponies appears to be affected.

2007/3274 MANAGEMENT OF THE PONY DRIFTS

DISCHARGE

Members of the general public are causing problems with the management of the drifts. So many people now go to watch that they regularly get in the way, and a way needs to be found to discourage spectators.

The drift list currently appears on the Verderers' website and it was suggested it should be removed. Some members of the Court being in favour of this action. It was pointed out, however, that there are people who like to avoid the drifts (horse-riders, dog walkers etc.,) and for those, the list on the internet is useful. The Clerk asked if she could give further thought to the suggestion.

It was agreed the Official Verderer should make an announcement at the October Court asking the public not to attend the drifts and explaining the reasons why. Additionally, a notice will be designed which will be placed on each Pound on the day of the drift explaining the purpose of the drifts and asking the public not to attend.

The Head Agister left the meeting.

2007/3275 ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DECISIONS

RESUME

The announcements and decisions were approved.

2007/3276 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESUME

The Elected Verderers, Mrs Halford and Mrs Thorne all declared an interest in the Countryside Stewardship Scheme.

Mr Gerrelli declared an interest in any items concerning Campsites and the Official Verderer declared an interest in any matters concerning golf clubs.

Mr Kitcher later declared an interest in certain works to be carried out under Rural Pathfinder as he is a contractor employed by the Forestry Commission on these projects.

2007/3277 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RESUME

The Financial Statements for July and August showed a satisfactory financial position.

2007/3278 REPORT ON MARKING FEES RECEIVED AS AT THE END OF JUNE 2007

RESUME

Ponies	4461	Pigs	24
Cattle	2496	Sheep	55
Donkeys	118		
Total	7075	Total all Animals	7154

JULY

	POOR	SICK OR INJURED	WANTED BY OWNER	OTHER	TOTALS
MARES WITH FOALS	2	3			5
MARES WITH YEARLINGS					0
MARES		2			2
FILLIES		1		1	2
COLTS	1				1
GELDINGS				1	1
STALLIONS				5	5
CATTLE		2		140	142
CALVES					0
DONKEYS		1			1
PIGS					0
PIGLETS					0
SHEEP					0
TOTAL	3	9	6	141	159

TWO YEAR OLD COLTS

SUMMARY BY SPECIES

PONIES	16
CATTLE	142
DONKEYS	1
PIGS	0
SHEEP	0
TOTAL	159

140 CATTLE REMOVED FOR TUBERCULOSIS TESTING IN JULY

AUGUST

	POOR	SICK OR INJURED	WANTED BY OWNER	OTHER	TOTALS
MARES WITH FOALS	2	1		1	4
MARES WITH YEARLINGS					0
MARES		3			3
FILLIES		2			2
COLTS					0
GELDINGS					0
STALLIONS					0
CATTLE		1		1	2
CALVES					0
DONKEY WITH FOALS		1			1
DONKEYS					0
PIGS					0
PIGLETS					0
SHEEP					0
TOTAL	2	8	0	2	12

TWO YEAR OLD COLTS

SUMMARY BY SPECIES

PONIES	9
CATTLE	2
DONKEYS	1
PIGS	0
SHEEP	0
TOTAL	12

2007/3280 BYELAW ENFORCEMENT

RESUME

A further hearing in respect of Mr Cooper is scheduled for 5th November.

A summons in respect of the prosecution of the commoner who has cattle on the Forest which are neither freeze-branded or brand-tagged will shortly be issued.

OPEN COURT – 10.00 a.m. in the Verderers' Hall

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Mike Seddon, Deputy Surveyor of the New Forest
APOLOGIES: Mr Will Parke, Area Land Agent (New)

The Hon Ralph Montagu joined the Court

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DECISIONS BY THE OFFICIAL VERDERER

2007/3281 BYELAWS

A new set of byelaws were formally passed by the Court in Committee on 8th August, and in accordance with the requirements of the New Forest Acts, our intention to ask the Minister to confirm the byelaws has been advertised in the local press. In addition a copy of the newly passed byelaws can be seen in the office and on our website.

2007/3282 FOREST HOLIDAYS

Further to the presentment made by Mr Michael Cooper on behalf of the Commoners' Defence Association, in which strong opposition to the concept of seasonal pitches being offered on the Forest's various campsites was expressed, we have agreed to meet with a senior executive from forest Holidays in early November in order to discuss this issue, and other matters that are of concern to us.

2007/3283 RECREATION POLICY

In order to help and guide those who are currently involved in the development of the National park's future strategy on recreation in the New Forest, we will shortly be publishing a document which explains in plain English the thoughts behind our own existing Verderers' Policies on the subject. We feel that it is of the utmost importance that those who are on the cusp of writing a new strategy for the future recreational use of the Forest are both aware of the existence of our own strategy, and why we think and act the way do. Copies of the document will be freely available at our next Court.

2007/3284 **COMMONING REVIEW**

You may recall that in November of last year the National Park Authority asked the commoners themselves to form a group and lead a review of the state of commoning today. The purpose of this was to identify the many problems that commoning already faces, and may indeed face in the future, and find solutions for them.

The group, which invited me to be its chairman, has now finished its work and is ready to make its recommendations for what needs to be done to help commoners directly to the NPA. Our aim is for those recommendations to be included in the NPA's forthcoming and first ever Management Plan, which will be the work plan for the Park for many years ahead.

We shall be presenting our full report to the National park Authority on September 27th at the Beaulieu Road Sales (if that is still possible under the Foot & Mouth movement restrictions).

When we agreed to undertake this task we were given an assurance by the NPA that our recommendations will be given their fullest support, and that they intend to act upon them. As I said at the time, we will hold them to their word.

ANIMAL ACCIDENT REPORT

2007/3285 **ACCIDENT REPORT FOR JULY AND AUGUST 2007**

The agisters attended 26 accidents, compared with 35 for the same period last year.

15 ponies, 1 donkey and 1 cow were killed, and 2 ponies and 2 cattle were injured.

11 accidents occurred during the hours of darkness.

20 involved private cars or light commercials and 6 were not reported.

13 accidents involved local motorists.

The total killed and injured for the year to date is 68 compared with 81 for the same period last year.

PRESENTMENTS BY THE DEPUTY SURVEYOR OF THE NEW FOREST

2007/3286 **PANNAGE SEASON**

In accordance with the provisions of section 7 of the New Forest Act 1964 the Verderers have been consulted with regard to the dates of the pannage season and I hereby notify the Court that the season will commence on Saturday 22 September 2007 and that it will end on Sunday 25 November 2007, both dates inclusive.

May I remind Commoners, who hold the right of Common of Mast that the usual rules apply, copies of which can be obtained from the Verderers office.

May I also remind Commoners of the national restrictions on animal movements in place for disease management purposes at the present time. Despite the announcement of the pannage season dates, pigs cannot be moved from holdings onto the forest until the national movement restrictions are relaxed. Commoners who hold the right of Common of Mast, and who wish to put pigs on the forest, should maintain close contact with the Verderers office who will be able to advise as soon as pigs may be moved onto the forest.

PRESENTMENTS

None

PRESENTATIONS

2007/3287 DONATION TOWARDS REFLECTIVE PONY COLLARS

Cllr Bill Dow, Ward District Councillor for New Forest North West which encompasses the parishes of Godshill, Hyde and Ellingham, Harbridge and Ibsley very kindly presented the Court with a cheque for £500.00 to be used for the purchase of pony collars. Cllr Dow said that if at all possible he would like the money to be put towards collars for the ponies which run in his area of the Forest.

The money comes from the Rural Access Grant which is provided by the District Council for the benefit of the community.

The Official Verderer thanked Mr Dow and said that the money will be spent as requested.

2007/3288 PRESENTATION OF THE LIFE ROSEBOWL

The Official Verderer explained that it has been decided to award the LIFE Rosebowl, which was originally awarded annually to the best mare judged under the LIFE 2 Project, to the dam of the highest placed Forest bred pony in the Ringwood Brewery Performance Competition. The competition is administered by the New Forest Pony Breeding and Cattle Society.

In 2006, the highest placed Forest bred pony in the competition was Buckland Falcon, owned by Kit Thorne of Linwood. This is the third year in succession that Falcon pony has won the Woody Woodpecker Trophy which is donated by the Ringwood Brewery, to the highest placed Forest bred pony.

Buckland Falcon's dam was Buckland Brandy. Brandy was owned and bred by Mrs Didi van Hennik of Buckland, near Lymington, who is here today to accept the Trophy from John Adams on behalf of the Verderers.

Mr John Adams presented the Rosebowl to Mrs van Hennik who thanked the Verderers and said special thanks should go to Falcon's jockey who furthered his education.

IN COMMITTEE in The Library

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Mike Seddon, Deputy Surveyor of the New Forest

APOLOGIES: Mr Will Parke, Area Land Agent (New Forest)

CONSIDERATION OF PRESENTMENTS

None

2007/3289 PIGS & THE PANNAGE SEASON

DISCHARGE

The Court decided that the Agisters should not mark any pigs in respect of the pannage season until the Foot and Mouth Disease animal movement restrictions are lifted.

SUBMISSIONS BY THE FORESTRY COMMISSION

2007/3290 NATIONAL GRID FAWLEY TO NURSLING 400KV POWER LINE DISCHARGE

The Court was advised of urgent works that have been carried out to replace the topmost wire on the powerline running adjacent to Fawley, Dibden and Marchwood Inclosures. The Forestry Commission has agreed access arrangements and the working areas. They explained that there had not been time to consult with the Court. On this occasion no objections were raised.

2007/3291 ICE CREAM TRADING PITCHES DISCHARGE

The Court declined the Forestry Commission's request for consent to ice cream trading for an unspecified period and agreed a further two years. It was also agreed that the van at Beaulieu Road can be replaced with one at Cadnam Cricket Pitch. The Court also requested the Commission to ensure that a condition of the licence is that the operator must be responsible for keeping an area extending to 100m in all directions from the vans free of rubbish. There was some concern that the addition of an ice cream van at Cadnam Cricket Pitch may result in conflicts between ponies and people. The situation will be monitored carefully.

2007/3292 HORSE DRAWN WAGON RIDES DISCHARGE

The Court also declined the Forestry Commission's request for consent for an unspecified period for the wagon rides and agreed a further two years.

2007/3293 TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES IN EAST BOLDRE DISCHARGE

The principle of pinch points at East Boldre was agreed but the Court asked that the design be reviewed as they are the same as those in Pound Lane Burley which have proved inadequate. Additionally, the reflector posts on the Burley pinch points have proved hazardous as they break off leaving sharp edges. It was suggested the pinch points should be redesigned so that they are similar to those used on the Thorney Hill to Burley road.

2007/3294 ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AT BULL HILL CROSSROADS RESUME

The Highway Authority has proposed works which are intended to reduce the accident rate on Bull Hill crossroads where there have been eleven injury accidents, of which two were serious, in the three-year period up to the end of March 2007. A scheme was implemented in August 2005 which appears to have reduced the number of accidents to seven in three years.

The latest proposals to further reduce the accident rate include a high friction surface on the eastbound side road approaching the crossroads as well as refurbishing existing high friction surfacing where required. The introduction of bollards on the crossroads and enhancement/additional signing all approaches is also proposed.

The new signage proposals will result in 25 signs compared to the original layout of 15 signs. Some signs would be located on the same assembly as four other directional signs but there will be an additional two steel posts and four new wooden bollards.

In the longer term the only other measure considered at this stage would be to realign the crossroads, i.e. create a staggered crossing configuration. However, the high construction costs and land take implications makes this solution less attractive to the Highway Authority, although a feasibility study is to be undertaken in the early Autumn.

Whilst the Court fully understood and accepted the need to resolve the problems on the crossroads they were very concerned at the proliferation of signs which will result from the implementation of the proposals, particularly in view of all the efforts that are being put into rationalising signage in the Forest.

No objection was raised to the anti-skid surfaces together with any associated new wording or lines on the road surface. No consent was given for any other aspect of the proposed works.

The suggestion was put forward that signs saying STOP – Halt at Major Road Ahead would be an alternative to the plethora of signs which have been suggested. The theory being that less signs could actually be more effective than adding eight more to what is already there.

Mr Kevin Fuller, Area Surveyor wishes to meet with the Verderers to discuss maintenance of the Forest's road network and it was suggested he should be invited to attend the October Court. A summary of the Highway's proposals is requested in advance.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COURTS OF CONCERN TO THE FORESTRY COMMISSION

2007/3295	TUBERCULOSIS	RESUME November
	Tuberculin testing is on hold until the current outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease is eradicated.	
2007/3296	OFFER OF SEASONAL PITCHES ON FORESTRY COMMISSION CAMPSITES	RESUME November
	Representatives of Forest Holidays will meet with the Court on 5 th November at 2.30 p.m. in the Library. A list of issues to be discussed will be prepared in advance and members of the Court were asked to forward topics for discussion to the Official Verderer.	
	In the meantime, the Official Verderer suggested that members of the Court should visit a campsite to gain an impression of how they are managed.	

2007/3297	MARKWAY INCLOSURE REINSTATEMENT	DISCHARGE
	<p>The Deputy Surveyor supplied a map showing the areas where reinstatement is planned. Work should commence in the next twelve months. In response to an enquiry, the Deputy Surveyor stated that there are no immediate plans to consolidate the vegetation along the roadside boundary – work which was recommended at the Design Forum.</p>	
2007/3298	DRAFT CROWN LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN	DISCHARGE
	<p>The Court has responded to the consultation and there is nothing further to report at present.</p>	
2007/3299	FENCING ON THE A31, A35 AND A337	RESUME
	<p>Animals continue to get out on these roads.</p> <p>The A31 has been repaired but in the opinion of Mr Adams the repairs are of a poor standard. At Hightown a tree remains across the fence.</p> <p>There are real problems with animals escaping onto the A35 and A337 with animals regularly escaping from various places. The Clerk reported that she has received an assurance that the work to repair/replace the fencing on these roads is due to commence very shortly.</p>	
2007/3300	SSSI CONDITION ASSESSMENTS	DISCHARGE
	<p>These will be brought back to the Court as and when necessary.</p>	
2007/3301	PINCH POINTS ON THE C10 – PICKET POST TO BURLEY	RESUME
	<p>Cllr Kathy Heron, who has agreed to continue to assist with this matter, is currently on holiday. The Clerk will contact her on her return.</p>	
2007/3302	A31 RUBBISH	RESUME
	<p>As above.</p>	
2007/3303	ELLINGHAM CRICKET PITCH	RESUME
	<p>In Mr Parke's absence the Deputy Surveyor said the Forestry Commission continues to pursue the cricket club regarding the wicket cover frames and other items which have yet to be removed.</p>	
2007/3304	LIAISON WITH THE COUNTY COUNCIL	RESUME
	<p>See 2007/3302 above.</p>	
2007/3305	NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY SIGNAGE	DISCHARGE
	<p>This matter was dealt with at the Autumn meeting of the Court and will be discharged for the time being.</p>	

2007/3306 NEW BUILD COMMONERS' DWELLING AT ANDERWOOD DISCHARGE

Mrs Diana Halford declared an interest in this subject in her capacity as Burley Parish Councillor.

The site has been cleared and is ready for construction to begin. The necessary Section 106 agreement (which ensures the properties plus 2 acres each will be made available to commoners in perpetuity) from the (National Park) Planning Authority is awaited.

Whilst the two new dwellings are not being built under the auspices of the Commoners Housing Trust, the Deputy Surveyor once more gave his absolute assurance that the two new dwellings are being built for occupation by practising commoners.

Mr Pasmore commented that in recent years the Forestry Commission has had an excellent record for supplying accommodation and grazing to commoners and no doubt was cast on the Commission's intentions.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF CONCERN TO THE FORESTRY COMMISSION

2007/3307 FENCING BETWEEN BEAULIEU ROAD HOTEL AND THE RAILWAY STATION/COTTAGES RESUME

Mr Frost commented that the fence at this location is in an appalling condition and he considered it is very dangerous to stock. Mr Montagu reported that he has recently raised this matter with Mr Parke. The Deputy Surveyor said he will take up the problem.

2007/3308 CULLING OF DEER DISCHARGE

The Deputy Surveyor said that deer culling has been suspended nationally by the FC as a result of the restrictions imposed by Foot and Mouth Disease.

2007/3309 FALLEN TIMBER IN THE A&O WOODLANDS DISCHARGE

No track clearance has been undertaken in Ridley Wood resulting in difficulties on the drift. The Deputy Surveyor said the delay was due to the wet summer but the work will be carried out.

2007/3310 METAL BARRIER ON BEAULIEU AERODROME DISCHARGE

Mr Gerrelli thanked the Forestry Commission for moving the barrier. The local Keeper, Jonathan Cook, will monitor the situation and the barrier will be closed from time to time.

2007/3311 RUBBISH OUTSIDE PONDHEAD FARM RESUME

The Forest outside Pondhead Farm is a mess. The car free defences have been breached and wrecked vehicles and other rubbish has been dumped on the Open Forest. The Deputy Surveyor promised to deal with the problem.

2007/3312 RUBBISH AT FOLDSGATE RESUME

There is a considerable amount of litter on the Forest adjacent to the layby on the A337. There is also evidence of mountain bike trespass. It was suggested the layby could be closed as there is a car park nearby. It was suggested this matter could be discussed with Kevin Fuller when he visits the Court.

The Deputy Surveyor left the meeting.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST COURT AND PREVIOUS COURTS

2007/3313 CAMPSITES & CYCLISTS RESUME

Cycling activity reports from the Forestry Commission are being analysed.

2007/3314 KINGSTON GREAT COMMON RESUME
January
2008

There is nothing further to report at present.

2007/3315 REVISION OF THE BYELAWS RESUME

Two further minor grammatical amendments have been made to the byelaws to aid clarification. The Official Verderer proposed that the Court should retrospectively approve those two amendments, which were included in the byelaws as already advertised. Mr Frost seconded the proposal and the motion was carried unanimously.

The closing date for objections is one month after the date the last public notice appears in the press. After that, the Court will formally request the Minister to approve the byelaws.

2007/3316 VERDERERS BUDGET & FIVE YEAR PLAN DISCHARGE

No response has been received yet from the Deputy Surveyor. The matter will be discharged and only brought back to the Court if a problem arises.

2007/3317 HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND BID RESUME

Mr Pasmore has collated a list of potential projects, not all of which are strictly Verderers' matters.

Mr Adams asked if a pound and drift fence rebuild and maintenance programme could be included and Mr Pasmore requested details of costings.

A proposal to digitising the Atlas is also included.

2007/3318 SINGLE FARM PAYMENTS RESUME

A meeting is being held in London on 21st September.

2007/3319	COSTICLES POND	RESUME
	<p>The proposal to throw open an area around Costicles Pond has been well received and is being considered further. The Verderers approved the scheme in principle, subject to some minor amendments, and asked Mr Pasmore to put the plan to Libby Holmes in the hope that it might be included in the Lottery Fund application.</p>	
2007/3320	MICROCHIPPING OF PONIES	RESUME
	<p>Representatives of DEFRA are attending the October Beaulieu Road Sale and they are being invited to Queen's House afterwards for a discussion.</p>	
2007/3321	RAGWORT ON THE A31 VERGES	DISCHARGE
	<p>Some work has been done to clear the verges but the central reservation will not be touched due to health and safety issues.</p> <p>Mr Adams has asked the contractors to put ragwort clearance into their work programme for future years.</p>	
2007/3322	RECREATION PAPER	RESUME
	<p>The paper was approved and will be published as soon as possible. Costs and the length of print run will be agreed between the Official Verderer and Mr Pasmore.</p>	
COUNTRYSIDE STEWARDSHIP SCHEME		
2007/3323	ADVISORY GROUP MEETING	DISCHARGE
	<p>The next meeting of the Advisory Group will take place on 15th November.</p>	
NATIONAL PARK		
2007/3324	COMMONING REVIEW	RESUME
	<p>The final draft of the Commoning Review has been agreed and the launch will take place at the Beaulieu Road Sale on the 27th September.</p>	
2007/3325	CORPORATE PLAN	DISCHARGE
	<p>The plan was noted.</p>	
2007/3326	RECREATION MANAGEMENT STRATEGY CONSULTATION	RESUME
	<p>The consultation runs until February.</p>	
2007/3327	STAKEHOLDERS ADVISORY GROUP	RESUME
	<p>The Official Verderer will sit on this group which will consist of representatives from the Forestry Commission, Natural England, New Forest District Council, the National Park Authority and the Verderers.</p>	

2007/3328 NEW FOREST NEW CHAPTER WORKSHOPS DISCHARGE

An inaugural workshop is to be held on 12th October followed by various Topic Group Workshops. The Court will be represented as follows:

Conservation and Enhancement Topic Group
Mrs Diana Halford

Understanding and Enjoyment Topic Group
Mrs Pat Thorne

Living and Working Topic Group
Mr Peter Frost

In addition, Mr Pasmore will attend the inaugural workshop, the Recreation Management Strategy Workshop which is scheduled for the 7th November as well as the concluding event which will be held sometime in early February 2008.

Those attending will report back to the Court as and when necessary.

The Clerk was asked to obtain attendance lists.

There will be a concluding event in February 2008.

MATTERS ARISING FROM EXTERNAL COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

None

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

2007/3329 LYNDHURST BYPASS RESUME

Hampshire County Council Environment and Transportation Select Committee's paper entitled "Scrutiny Review: Prioritisation of a Lyndhurst Bypass" was circulated to all members of the Court.

Three specific questions are asked and the Official Verderer will draft a suitable reply and circulate it for approval before it is sent.

2007/3330 30 MPH SPEED LIMITS THROUGH NEW FOREST VILLAGES DISCHARGE

The Court gave its broad support to the proposed 30 mph which are to be implemented in certain Forest villages. It was suggested that eventually such a limit might be extended to all unfenced roads.

STAFF MATTERS (including the Staff Committee)

2007/3331 EAR TAGS DISCHARGE

It was agreed that cattle ear tags should be purchased but they should not be dated. They will, however, carry the Verderers' logo and a number as usual.

2007/3332 SALARIES RESUME

The Agricultural Wages Board Agricultural Wages Order 2007 has been received.

TRAINING

2007/3333 CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE IN ANIMAL TRANSPORT DISCHARGE

The need to provide specific training for the Agisters is being considered.

HEALTH AND SAFETY AT WORK

Nothing to report.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

2007/3334 STALLION GRAZING RESUME

The Agreements in respect of the grazing will be prepared shortly.

2007/3335 MARKING FEES FOR 2008 RESUME

The Official Verderer reminded the Court that the level of marking fees for 2008 must be set at the next Court and he asked that careful consideration be given to whether any amendment is required.

2007/3336 MR KILFORD DISCHARGE

The Clerk has received a request from Animal Health/Trading Standards for information in order to ensure that Mr Kilford complies with the terms of a Court Order made under the Protection of Animals Act 1911. The Clerk was authorised to provide the requested information.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1.42 p.m.