

# **Compton Parish Council**

**Chairman: Dave Aldis**

**Clerk: Sarah Marshman**

## **MINUTES of the COUNCIL MEETING**

Held on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2013 at 7pm** in the Welstead Room, Compton Village Hall.

Those present: Councillors D. Aldis (chair), P. Burnett, K. Simms, M. Pinfold, P. Shanks, L. Moss M. Birtwistle, P. Whitworth and A. Strong (from 7:05pm)

In attendance: The Parish Clerk.

The meeting started at 7.00pm.

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2875 **Apologies for absence** were received from District Councillor Virginia von Celsing.

2876 **Any declarations of pecuniary interest by members or the Clerk**

There were none.

2877 **To receive: Questions or comments from members of the public**

**Representations from any member who has declared a pecuniary interest**

There were none.

2878 **To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2012**

Proposed by KS, seconded by MB and carried. They were then signed by the Chairman.

2879 **To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2012**

Proposed by KS, seconded by PB and carried. They were then signed by the Chairman.

2880 **Matters arising from the minutes of the Council Meetings on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2012**

There were none.

2881 **To receive a report from our District Councillor, Virginia von Celsing**

VvC has sent her apologies.

2882 **Clerk's report**

The Clerk went through her report, which is at Attachment 1.

Item 3: CCB have provided information on possible grants.

2883 **To consider the draft Council budget for the 2013/14 financial year**

MB proposed to keep the precept at £25,635 and take any additional funds required from reserves, DA seconded, carried.

2884 **To discuss the Council's representation at the Western Area Planning Committee with regards to planning application 12/02420/FULD 20 Manor Crescent**

AS and VvC will represent the council at the meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January.

2885 **To consider providing a shelter for teenagers to use at the Recreation Ground**

Some residents of Lowbury Gardens are unhappy with the shelter potentially being sited nearby.

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**2886 To receive an update on the Churchyard**

Trial pits are now required to assess groundwater levels as burials must be above this.

**2887 To agree the expenditure to replace the bin on the Recreation Ground**

KS proposed the 'Forest Saver' bin be installed at a cost of £389+VAT for the bin and £40+VAT for installation. DA seconded, carried.

**2888 To receive an update on vandalism and anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the village**

There have been some recent oil thefts.

**2889 Planning Applications**

**a) To consider the following new applications:**

There were none.

**b) To receive a report on West Berkshire Council recent planning decisions:**

<b>App. Ref.</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Proposed Work</b>	<b>Compton PC Recommendation</b>	<b>WBC Decision</b>
<b>12/02513/ HOUSE</b>	The Gate House, Newbury Lane, Compton, RG20 6PA	Single garage with room over.	<b>Object</b>	<b>Granted</b>
<b>12/02692/ FUL</b>	Down House, Ilsley Road, Compton, RG20 7PH	Section 73: Variation of condition 2 (Build in accordance with approved plans) - Condition to be varied to substitute drawings stated within the Condition 2, of planning permission reference 12/01375/FUL, with revised drawings.	<b>No objections</b>	<b>Granted</b>
<b>12/02944/ CERTP</b>	28 Meadow Close, Compton, RG20 6QQ	Conversion of part of existing double garage to habitable space, to extend existing kitchen. Provide new utility and separate toilet. The remaining space to be used as a large store.	<b>For information only, no recommendation required.</b>	<b>Granted</b>

**2890 To receive reports on the following:**

**a) Recreation Ground**

The Recreation ground is very wet.

**c) Rights of Way**

Byway 2 needs filling. Clerk to contact WBC for more materials.

**d) Village Hall**

Santa collected over £450 to be shared between the Air Ambulance and the Village Hall.

**e) Parish Council Website**

Need to include information about availability of flood defence assets. Clerk to write some information for the website/Compilations.

**2891 To approve cheques due for payment**

KS proposed, AS seconded, carried.

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Invoice Date	Cheque No.	Payee	Amount	Description
3 Dec	102293	Compton Pre-School	£ 800.00	Donation towards improvement costs (Minute 2853)
5 Nov	102294	Compton Bananaz / Teenscene	£ 200.00	S137 Donation (Minute 2860)
3 Dec	102295	Almond Arborists	£ 395.00	Work on two ash trees located on the Rec. Ground
14 Dec	102296	Thames Water	£ 32.05	Water bill for School Road Allotments: 6 Sept - 12 Dec 2012
28 Dec	102297	West Berkshire District Council	£ 612.84	Annual charge for dog bin emptying 2012-13
2 Jan	102298	S. Marshman	£ 514.60	Clerk's salary and expenses for 5 weeks to 6th Jan
31 Dec	102299	D. Moss	£ 55.00	Litter picking December
24 Dec	102300	SSE Contracting Ltd	£ 807.20	Street lighting maintenance charge for Dec quarter

2892 **Correspondence**

The Correspondence Report was presented and is at Attachment 2.

2893 **Matters for consideration and information**

AS: There is a large pot hole near IIsley Gardens. Clerk to report to WBC.

PW: Fairfield Garages notice to quit has been issued.

MB: A pick-up truck went into the River Pang outside the school on the evening of 27<sup>th</sup> December, damaging the railings. The Clerk to notify WBC that they require repair.

2894 **Pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 it is resolved that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and the press leave the meeting during consideration of item 2895.**

2895 **To consider the confidential draft of the Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)**

The document was discussed.

The meeting closed at 8:30pm.

Dates and times of next meetings:

<b>Council Meeting</b>	<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2013 at 7pm</b>	In the Wellstead Room, Village Hall
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