

Compton Parish Council

Chairman: Dave Aldis

Clerk: Sarah Marshman

MINUTES of the COUNCIL MEETING

Held on **Monday 5th November, 2012 at 7pm** in the Welstead Room, Compton Village Hall.

Those present: Councillors D. Aldis (chair), P. Whitworth, P. Burnett, K. Simms, M. Pinfold, L. Moss, A. Strong and M. Birtwistle (from 7:08pm).

In attendance: District Councillor Virginia von Celsing and the Parish Clerk.

The meeting started at 7.00pm.

2823 **Apologies for absence** were received from P. Shanks.

2824 **Any declarations of pecuniary interest by members or the Clerk**

KS and AS declared an interest in item 2838.

PW declared an interest in item 2843.

2825 **To receive: Questions or comments from members of the public**

Representations from any member who has declared a pecuniary interest

There were none.

2828 **To receive a report from PC Matt Allen**

PC Matt Allen gave a report to the Parish Council. PC Allen will look into the issue of parking by the Downs School.

Cllr. M. Birtwistle arrived at the meeting at this point.

2826 **To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 1st October, 2012**

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

2827 **Matters arising from the minutes of the Council Meetings on 1st October, 2012**

There were none.

2830 **To receive a report from our District Councillor, Virginia von Celsing**

VvC is attempting to resolve the issue around riparian responsibilities for the verges/ditch through Compton with the Environment Agency and West Berkshire District Council.

2829 **Clerk's report**

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

Item 12: The alley way has been cut.

2831 **To consider whether to investigate opportunities under the 'Fields in Trust' initiative**

It is unlikely this can be completed before the time limit.

2832 **To consider providing a shelter for teenagers to use at the Recreation Ground**

None of the teenagers invited were able to attend the meeting. LM to request they put together a document about what they would like and where they would like it to be.

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- 2833 **To agree the amount to charge East Ilsley Parish Council to receive Compilations**
A total cost of £315.92 was agreed. Clerk to contact East Ilsley Parish Council.
- 2834 **To receive an update on the Churchyard**
DA has contacted SKM Enviros to look at the site. A well has been discovered in the field, which has now been capped off. The field is currently in crop until next August.
- 2835 **To agree the expenditure to keep a wheelie bin at the Day Care Centre**
It was proposed by MP that a 360 litre bin be ordered. Seconded by PW and carried.
- 2836 **To agree a ceiling figure for purchasing a wreath for Remembrance Sunday**
AS proposed a wreath be purchased at a cost of £17.50 and a donation for £50 be made to the Royal British Legion. Seconded by KS and carried.
- 2837 **To consider a quote to fit a timer on two of the light posts at the Recreation Ground**
The Clerk to obtain two more quotes with a deadline of the next meeting.
- 2838 **To consider a request for financial assistance from the Scouts**
A request was received for assistance with the cost of installing security lighting at the Scout Hut. DA proposed the full cost of £304.00 + VAT be met by the Parish Council. Seconded by MB and carried.
- 2839 **To discuss parking at The Downs School**
Sixth Formers are now allowed to park in the school grounds; however the issues with contractors parking on the road are still ongoing. The double yellow lines are due to be extended in Feb/Mar. The school have contacted WBC traffic wardens.
The Clerk was requested to also contact the WBC traffic wardens and to contact WBC requesting they prioritise the double yellow lines and inform them the PC will support use of S106 contributions for this.
- 2840 **To receive an update on vandalism and anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the village**
Regular patrols are taking place by the PCSO and they encourage people to keep reporting any issues.
- 2841 **Planning Applications**
a) **To consider the following new applications:**

App. Ref.	Location	Proposed Work	Recommendation
12/02553/COND1	Baxter Healthcare Ltd, Wallingford Road, Compton	Application for approval of details reserved by condition 5 - Vehicle parking of approved application 12/02015/FUL - Erection of portacabin for B1 use for temporary period of 18 months.	For information only, no recommendation required.
12/02507/HOUSE	1 Westfields, Compton	Two storey side and rear extension and single storey rear extensions including demolition of existing single storey garage and rear structures and alterations to driveway.	NO OBJECTIONS

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12/02420/FULD	20 Manor Crescent, Compton	Proposed dwelling.	OBJECT
The reasons for objecting were: It is not in keeping with the Parish Design Statement			

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

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12/02015/FUL	Baxter Healthcare Ltd, Wallingford Road, Compton	Erection of portacabin for B1 use for temporary period of 18 months.	No objections	Granted
12/02252/FUL	Land at Hill Barn, Warnham Lane, Compton	Addition of 1 no.300mm microwave dish to existing installation	No objections	Granted

2842 To receive reports on the following:

d) Village Hall

The bingo made £250.

e) Allotments

Clerk to check the billing/meter reading period to see if the previous leak is affecting the bill.

f) Patient Representation

It was discussed that it is difficult to attract doctors to attend Compton Surgery due to issues with the technology available for patient's notes. Due to the planning conditions placed for the extended car park at Chieveley, the extension will not be going ahead.

2843 To approve cheques due for payment

KS proposed that the following cheques be approved. This was seconded by PS and was carried.

Invoice Date	Cheque No.	Payee	Amount	Description
4 Oct	102279	J. Evans	£340.00	Construction of 2 benches (Minute 2791)
11 Oct	102280	R.M. Weavers	£1,221.22	Grounds maintenance charge for Aug and Sept
11 Oct	102281	R.M. Weavers	£354.00	Clearing brambles at Newbury Lane Allotments (Minute 2703)
1 Nov	102282	S. Marshman	£506.35	Clerk's salary and expenses for 5 weeks to 4th November
31 Oct	102283	D. Moss	£55.00	Litter picking October
14 Oct	102284	P. Whitworth	£150.00	Spraying weeds in alley & entrance to Village Hall
14 Oct	102285	P. Whitworth	£110.00	Purchase of two trees (Minute 2748)

2844 Correspondence

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The Correspondence Report was presented and is at Attachment 2.

2845 **Matters for consideration and information**

LM – The Downs School would like to request use of the Rec. over winter. It was suggested that they liaise directly with MP and that they are requested to keep off the marked football pitches.

PB – Attended the recent District/Parish Conference.

DA – the seats have been completed by Jonathan Evans.

The meeting closed at 8:55pm.

Dates and times of next meetings:

Council Meeting	Monday 3rd December at 7pm	In the Wellstead Room, Village Hall
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