

Compton Parish Council

Chairman: Dave Aldis

Clerk: Sarah Marshman

MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday 16th April 2018 at 7:00pm in the Wilkins Centre, Burrell Road.

Those present: Councillors D. Aldis (Chair), M. Birtwistle, P. Burnett, L. Moss, M. Pinfold, R. Pinfold, K. Simms, A. Strong and I. Tong.

In attendance: The Parish Clerk and District Councillor Virginia von Celsing.
1 member of the public.

4413 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor M. Birtwistle.

4414 Any declarations of pecuniary interests by members or the Clerk

There were none.

**4415 To receive: Questions or comments from members of the public
Representations from any member who has declared a pecuniary interest**

An update on the implementation of the 20mph limit was requested. West Berkshire Council (WBC) have recently confirmed that this is included in their works programme for 2018-19.

4416 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28th March 2018

It was resolved that the minutes be accepted as a true record. They were then signed by the Chairman.

4417 Matters arising from the minutes of the Council Meeting on 28th March 2018

There were none.

4418 To receive a report from our District Councillor

VvC explained the financial position of WBC with regards to the green bin charges soon to be implemented.

The Parish Council queried why WBC had resurfaced some of the road between Compton and Aldworth but had resurfaced up to a pot hole leaving the road at risk of further damage. This will be reported to WBC.

The Cllr for Rights of Way confirmed that the signs for a Right of Way that were wrong and hidden by foliage have now been corrected.

4419 Clerk's report

The Clerk's report is at Attachment 1.

4420 Planning Applications

a) To consider the following new applications:

There were none.

b) To consider whether to request our District Councillor call in any planning applications to the Western Area Planning Committee

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There were no applications to call-in.

c) To consider whether to refer any planning applications for further response from our planning consultants

There were no applications to be referred.

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

App. Ref.	Location	Proposed Work	Response from CPC	Decision
17/03285/ FUL	Old Station Business Park, Wilson Close, Compton, RG20 6NE	Section 73A: Variation of Condition 4: External lighting of planning permission 00/00964/FUL - Construction of three two storey light industrial units in one block of three units.	No objections	Approved
17/03558/ FUL	Roden Farm, Compton, RG20 7PY	Demolition of existing house (retaining a small section to become a self contained annexe); demolition of existing barn, stable block and various outbuildings; erection of replacement dwelling; erection of stables and garage; provision of tennis court; provision of new driveway; associated works.	Object	Approved
18/00288/ HOUSE	29 Shepherds Mount, Compton, RG20 6QY	Replacement garage to side of property. Proposed single storey rear extension aligned to western boundary but set back into the property to minimise impact to neighbours. Internal and external alterations.	No objections	Approved

4421 To consider quotes for a zip wire

It was resolved to accept a quote from Fenland Leisure Products for £9,845+VAT.

4422 To consider making an application for a Member's Bid Grant

It was resolved to apply for a Member's Bid grant for half the cost of the installation of the zip wire.

4423 To consider whether to include personal fundraising requests in Compilations

It was resolved not to publish personal fundraising requests in Compilations.

4424 To consider quotes to purchase one or more World War I memorial benches

It was resolved to set a budget of £1,500 to purchase and install the 'Lest We Forget' World War memorial bench.

The Clerk will contact West Berkshire Council to seek to obtain permission to install the seat by the noticeboard on the High Street.

4425 To discuss the installation of a village sign

Various ideas were discussed, and the artist will provide three possible designs at the next meeting.

4426 To consider quotes for the street lighting maintenance contract

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This item was deferred.

4427 To receive an update on vandalism and anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the village

A minor incident was noted.

4428 To receive reports on the following:

h) Groundwater

Notification has been received from the Environment Agency regarding continuation of the lowered level of the watercourse as it leaves Aldworth Road from Chaubury to tie in with an appropriate point downstream. Riparian owners have been notified about this.

At the time of writing the aquifer is ~53% full and rising more slowly after a spurt due to the heavy rain at the end of March and beginning of April. As the temperature rises the groundwater risk from heavy rain decreases.

j) Neighbourhood Development Plan

A total of 429 responses was received to the recent survey and the steering group are approximately half way through inputting all the data.

4429 To receive the finance report and approve payments due

It was resolved to approve the payments listed on the finance report, which is at Attachment 2.

4430 Correspondence

The Correspondence Report was presented and is at Attachment 3.

The Parish Council agreed to the request to hold a boot camp in the Recreation Ground, but to highlight that it is a public area. Insurance documentation and risk assessment will be requested.

4431 Matters for future consideration and information

There were none.

Meeting closed 9:02pm.

Date and time of next scheduled meeting:

- **Annual Parish Meeting (rescheduled): Monday 30th April 2018 at 7:30pm** in the Wilkins Centre
- **Parish Council Meeting: Monday 14th May 2018 at 7pm** in the Wilkins Centre

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