

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting

Held on Monday 6th February 2023 in the Wilkins Centre, Compton. Commencing at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Councillor Dave Aldis, Chair

Councillor Rebecca Pinfold, Vice-Chair

Councillor Tracy Brown

Councillor Jude Cunningham

Councillor Stephen Dearns (from 7:08 pm)

Councillor Linda Moss Councillor Alison Strong Councillor Sharon Tiller

Members Absent: Councillor Ian Tong

Officers Present: Sarah Marshman, Clerk/RFO

In Attendance: District Councillor Carolyne Culver

4 Members of the Public

Minutes

22/23-201 To receive, and consider for acceptance, apologies for absence from Members of

he Council

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Ian Tong and from Councillor

Stephen Dearns who would be late.

22/23-202 To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Registerable

Interests or Non-Registerable Interests and to consider any requests for dispensation from Members declaring a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Dave Aldis declared an interest in minute 22/23-225.

22/23-203 To receive:

Questions or comments from members of the public regarding items on the agenda

Representations from any member who has declared an Other Registerable

Interest or a Non-Registerable Interest

Issues with people driving on and parking on the Parish Council owned land at Gordon Crescent, damaging the land and leaving pavements slippery with mud,

were raised. There is also not enough parking in this area for the number of vehicles. The Council suggested residents write to WBC Highways, copying in Sovereign and the District Councillor. The Clerk was requested to contact Sovereign again regarding this matter.

Councillor Stephen Dearns arrived, 7:08 pm.

22/23-204 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 9th January 2023

Resolved: Members agreed the minutes of the last meeting be accepted as a true record. The Chair signed the minutes.

22/23-205 To discuss any matters arising from the previous meeting

There were no matters arising.

22/23-206 To receive a report from the District Councillor

The District Councillor gave an update on her recent activities. An error had been identified in the conditions for the planning application for the Institute site. This will be corrected by the Planning Officer.

22/23-207 To review the minutes and recommendations from the following committees:

| Committee | Meeting Date | Minute Numbers | Recommendations |
|-----------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Planning | None | | |
| Personnel | None | | |

22/23-208 To receive an update and review recommendations from the following working parties:

Street lighting – there is a fault in the electricity supply to the light on Burrell Road that still needs connecting. This fault will take some time to fix by the electricity company.

Allotments – the water meter at School Road allotments needs some grounds maintenance.

22/23-209 Planning Applications:

22/23-209.1 To consider the following new planning applications:

23/00061/LBC 1 Horn Street, Compton, RG20 6QS - Replacement and upgrading of insulation to pitched roof of former single storey Forge element.

Resolved: To submit a response of 'no objections'.

23/00109/HOUSE Downe Cottage, Ilsley Road, Compton, RG20 7PG - Side extension including demolition of sunroom.

Resolved: To submit a response of 'no objections'.

22/23-209.2 To consider whether to request the District Councillor calls in any planning applications to the Western Area Planning Committee

No applications were requested to be referred to the Western Area Planning Committee.

22/23-209.3 To consider whether to refer any planning applications for further response from the Council's planning consultants

No applications were requested to be referred to the Council's planning consultants.

22/23-209.4 To receive a report on recent planning decisions taken by West Berkshire Council

The following decisions have been reported by West Berkshire Council since the last Parish Council meeting:

- 22/02916/HOUSE Redhaven, Cheap Street, Compton, RG20 6NH Proposed rear conservatory (existing conservatory, rear extension & utility to be removed). Approved.
- 22/02881/HOUSE 16 Burrell Road, Compton, Newbury, RG20 6NS Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension. Approved.

22/23-210 Finance:

22/23-210.1 To consider approving the payments listed on the Finance Report

Resolved: To approve the payments listed in the Finance Report in Appendix 1.

22/23-210.2 To note the most recent bank reconciliations

Resolved: To note the bank reconciliation figures as provided in the Finance Report in Appendix 1.

22/23-210.3 To note the Quarterly Budget Report

Resolved: To note the Quarterly Budget Report to 31st December 2022.

22/23-210.4 To receive any reports from the Internal Controller

The internal controller is still to check the accounts for this year.

22/23-211 To receive the Clerk's report

The Clerk recently attended the SLCC Practitioners' Conference.

22/23-212 To consider actions related to vehicles driving and parking on the council land at Gordon Crescent

The Clerk will see to obtain an updated quote for fencing work.

22/23-213 To consider any actions relating to the bus shelter on High Street

Resolved: To take no action.

The Clerk was requested to write to the resident who had enquired that it is not possible to erect a bus shelter at the bus stop near the Foinavon as there are too many underground services in this area.

22/23-214 To consider any actions relating to the table tennis tables in the Recreation Ground

Resolved: To take no specific action in relation to the table tennis tables. It was noted that CCTV would be discussed in Minutes 22/23-217.

22/23-215 To ratify any actions taken regarding the Western Area Planning Committee meeting to discuss planning application 20-01336-OUTMAJ Institute for Animal Health

Resolved: To ratify that the Clerk consulted the planning solicitor and received advice for the council.

22/23-216 To consider purchasing a speed indicator device (SID) jointly with East IIsley Parish Council and implementing a Co-Ownership Agreement

Resolved: To purchase the Pro-Gen5 SID from Traffic Technology and to complete the co-ownership agreement with East Ilsley Parish Council.

22/23-217 To consider quotes for CCTV in the Recreation Ground

Resolved: For Scion Communications Ltd to install CCTV at an expected cost of £5601.54 +VAT, using the grant of £3,713 from Thames Valley Police and a maximum of £3,000 from CIL reserves. The Clerk will also arrange for a local electrician to install two double sockets in the Sports Pavilion required for the equipment.

22/23-218 To consider a response to West Berkshire Council's Local Plan Review Regulation 19 Consultation

Resolved: To defer this to the Planning Committee to review in its meeting to be held on 21st February 2023.

22/23-219 To consider making an application to have The Foinavon listed as an Asset of Community Value

Resolved: To make an application to have The Foinavon listed as an Asset of Community Value.

22/23-220 To consider requesting the church holds the Book of Condolences for Queen Elizabeth II and the votive purchased in her memory

Resolved: To request the church holds the Book of Condolence for Queen Elizabeth II and the votive purchased in her memory.

To receive an update on vandalism and anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the village There were no reports.

22/23-222 To receive reports on the following

Coronation Event – this will be a smaller version of the Jubilee event. It is hoped to secure circus and dance-type entertainers to attend. The group is approaching local businesses to assist with funding.

| 22/23-223 | To discuss matters for future consideration and for information A resident has requested a dog waste bin be installed near footpath 21. It was noted that the council could not install one here as it is on private land, however, it may be possible to do so near the entrance to footpath 16. The Clerk was requested to include an item on the next agenda. |
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| 22/23-224 | To resolve under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the Confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable that the Public and Press be temporarily excluded from this meeting, and they are herewith instructed to withdraw Resolved: That under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the Confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, the Public and Press be temporarily excluded for Minute 22/23-225. Councillor Aldis left the meeting, 9:01 pm. |
| 22/23-225 | To consider actions relating to plot 2 at Newbury Lane Allotments following receipt of advice from the council's solicitor Resolved: The Clerk will obtain quotes to fence this area. Once completed, the solicitor will be instructed to write again to the former tenants. There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9:11 pm. |

Date and time of next scheduled Full Council Meeting: Monday 6th March 2023 at 7 pm.

Chairman:

Date:

Appendix 1: Finance Report

Status at last bank reconciliation 31st December 2022

| Account | Amount |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Unity Trust Current Account | £28,226.43 |
| Unity Trust Savings Account | £123,398.96 |
| Lloyds Multipay Corporate Card | -£31.27 |
| Total | £151,594.12 |

Income received until 30th January 2023

| Account | Income Detail | Amount |
|---------|---------------|-----------|
| Current | Compilations | £1,767.50 |
| | Total | £1,767.50 |

Payments made on Lloyds Corporate Card to be approved

| Method | Date | Payee | Payment Detail | Amount |
|--------|--------|-----------|---------------------------|--------|
| CC | 03-Jan | Lloyds | Monthly card fee | £3.00 |
| CC | 06-Jan | Amazon | Bin & mop for pavilion | £32.98 |
| CC | 10-Jan | Amazon | Refuse sacks for pavilion | £6.67 |
| CC | 10-Jan | Amazon | Bin for pavilion | £15.99 |
| CC | 10-Jan | Amazon | Squeegee for pavilion | £26.67 |
| CC | 26-Jan | Microsoft | Office software | £11.28 |
| | | | | £96.59 |

Payments from Unity Trust Current Account to be approved

| Method | Date | Payee | Payment Detail | Amount | |
|--------|--------|---------------------|--|-----------|--|
| DD | 18-Jan | Vodafone | Mobile phone | £23.03 | |
| DD | 23-Jan | Southern Electric | Street light electricity standing charges Dec | £80.46 | |
| BACS | 27-Jan | Aquaheat | Repair leak in Sports Pavilion | £302.70 | |
| BACS | 27-Jan | Almond Arborists | Removal of maple at Newbury Lane Allotments | £600.00 | |
| BACS | 30-Jan | Nexus | Microsoft | £11.28 | |
| BACS | 06-Feb | Triangle Management | Refuse disposal Nov/Dec | £45.60 | |
| BACS | 06-Feb | SLCC | Membership 23/24 | £168.97 | |
| BACS | 06-Feb | A Councillor | Expenses from jubilee event and compost for planting | £265.06 | |
| BACS | 06-Feb | Staff Costs | Staff Costs Jan | £1,768.13 | |
| | | | Total | £3,265.23 | |

Transfers

| Method | Date | From Account | To Account | Amount |
|--------|--------|---------------|------------|--------|
| DD | 17-Jan | Unity Current | Lloyds | £34.27 |
| | | | Total | £34.27 |