



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting

Held on Monday 9th January 2023 in the Wilkins Centre, Compton. Commencing at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Councillor Dave Aldis, Chair
Councillor Rebecca Pinfold, Vice-Chair
Councillor Jude Cunningham
Councillor Stephen Dearn (from 7:24 pm)
Councillor Linda Moss
Councillor Alison Strong
Councillor Sharon Tiller
Councillor Ian Tong

Members Absent: Councillor Tracy Brown

Officers Present: Sarah Marshman, Clerk/RFO

In Attendance: District Councillor Carlyne Culver
0 Members of the Public

Minutes

- 22/23-184** **To receive, and consider for acceptance, apologies for absence from Members of the Council**
Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Tracy Brown, and also from Councillor Stephen Dearn who would be arriving late.
- 22/23-185** **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 Pinfold declared an interest in Minute 22/23-192, planning application 22/03000/FUL.
- 22/23-186** **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
There were no questions, comments or representations.

22/23-187 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 5th December 2022
 Resolved: Members agreed the minutes of the last meeting be accepted as a true record. The Chair signed the minutes.

22/23-188 To discuss any matters arising from the previous meeting
 There were no matters arising.

22/23-189 To receive a report from the District Councillor
 The District Councillor gave an update on her recent activities. The recent application for funding through the Members’ Bid was successful.

22/23-190 To review the minutes and recommendations from the following committees:

Committee	Meeting Date	Minute Numbers	Recommendations
Planning	07/12/22	PLN22/23-014 to PLN22/23-019	None
Personnel	07/12/22	PER22/23-015 to PER22/23-026	Amendments to the draft budget were suggested

22/23-191 To receive an update and review recommendations from the following working parties:
 Digital – the Book of Condolences has been scanned.
 Street lighting – the Clerk was requested to obtain an update on the decommissioning of the old light on Burrell Road and to contact the District Councillor for an update on the streetlight that had been damaged opposite Yew Tree Stables.
 Sports Pavilion - Repairs were needed as the water system had frozen in the recent cold weather.
 Allotments – the council has been advised of issues at School Road of produce being stolen and people trampling crops to access blackberries in the hedgerow. The Clerk was requested to seek quotes to remove the brambles.

22/23-192 Planning Applications :

22/23-192.1 To consider the following new planning applications:
 22/02843/HOUSE 2 Ilsley Gardens, Ilsley Road, Compton, RG20 7PF - Demolition of garage and car port, replacement with timber framed garage and car port with pitched roof.

Resolved: To submit a response of ‘no objections.’

22/03000/FUL Office, MSD Animal Health, Churn Road, Compton, RG20 6PP - Retention of Portakabin building sited at Churn Road for a period of 260 weeks from the date of expiry of their original planning application, reference 20/01161/FUL which was granted on the 16th July 2020.

Resolved: To submit a response of ‘no objections.’

22/03139/HOUSE Bramley Cottage, High Street, Compton, RG20 6NL - The construction of a single storey contemporary garden building to be used as a home office

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

It was noted that a new consultation on 20/01336/OUTMAJ Institute for Animal Health. As this relates to revised ownership certificates and all other matters relating to the planning application are unchanged, the council felt no further comments were required at this time and so did not wish to call a planning committee meeting.

22/23-192.2 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.

22/23-192.3 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.

22/23-192.4 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:

- 22/01741/COND1 23 Tithe Barn Close, Compton - Application for Approval of Details Reserved by Condition 4 (new windows and external doors) of Listed Building Consent 22/00615/LBC - Section 19a Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) of previously approved application 17/02860/LBC: Demolition of Manor Barn and construction of a pair semi-detached dwellings with associated parking, landscaping and amenity space. Approved.
- 22/02399/HOUSE 1 Shepherds Mount, Compton, RG20 6QY - Loft conversion, roof to be raised, many internal modifications. Withdrawn.

22/23-193 Finance:

22/23-193.1 To consider approving the payments listed on the Finance Report

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

22/23-193.2 To note the most recent bank reconciliations

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

Councillor Stephen Dearn arrived at 7:24pm.

22/23-194 To receive the Clerk's report

A grant has been received from the WBC Member's Bid for £1,208.24. This will go towards the cost of the benches and concrete pads for the Jubilee commemoration area.

Our unmetered supply certificate has now been updated and is being sent to the electricity supplier.

22/23-195 To consider ending the contract with SSE Contracting for streetlight maintenance
Resolved: To end the contract for street light maintenance. It was noted that the company has changed its name to Enerveo.

22/23-196 To consider an application for grant funding
Resolved: To allocate £285 from grant funding for the Compton Village Hall “tea and chat”. A grant of £50 will be provided now, with the remaining £235 that can be drawn on when events or further refreshments are needed.

22/23-197 To consider the draft budget for 2023/2024 and set the precept
Resolved: Agreed budget and set precept at £57,000.

22/23-198 To receive an update on vandalism and anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the village
There were no reports.

22/23-199 To receive reports on the following
Recreation Ground – Possible designs for the memorial garden were discussed. The three benches will angled around an oval garden. The intention is to include three Queen Elizabeth II roses and edge the garden with rosemary and lavender. The Clerk will seek quotes.

22/23-200 To discuss matters for future consideration and for information
A resident has contacted the council to complain that the bus shelter is no use where it is and is needed by bus stop near the corner of the High Street where it meets Cheap Street. This will be included on the next agenda.

There are issues with vehicles driving over and parking on the land at Gordon Crescent. The Clerk was requested to contact Sovereign and ask it to contact all residents of its properties on Gordon Crescent to advise that vehicles should not be using this area and that the council plans to fence it off.

Money has been included in the 20223/24 budget for the coronation. Councillors Cunningham and Moss will review holding a picnic in the park, similar to the coronation event.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8:13 pm.

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

Chairman: _____

Date: _____

Appendix 1: Finance Report

Status at last bank reconciliation 30th November 2022

Account	Amount
Unity Trust Current Account	£37,764.75
Unity Trust Savings Account	£123,000.30
Lloyds Multipay Corporate Card	-£123.82
Total	£160,641.23

Income received until 31st December 2022

Account	Income Detail	Amount
Current	Sports Pavilion/pitch hire	£100.00
Savings	Interest	£398.66
Total		£498.66

Payments made on Lloyds Corporate Card to be approved

Method	Date	Payee	Payment Detail	Amount
CC	02-Dec-22	Lloyds	Monthly card fee	£3.00
CC	05-Dec-22	Amazon	Fingerlights for Christmas events	£19.99
CC	25-Dec-22	Microsoft	Office software	£11.28
Total				£34.27

Payments from Unity Trust Current Account to be approved

Method	Date	Payee	Payment Detail	Amount
DD	08-Dec-22	Southern Electric	Sports Pavilion electricity Q3	£246.18
BACS	08-Dec-22	NSALG	National Allotment Society membership 22/23	£66.00
DD	19-Dec-22	Southern Electric	Streetlight electricity Q3	£2,116.66
DD	20-Dec-22	Vodafone	Mobile phone	£23.03
BACS	20-Dec-22	Almond Arborists	Tree work in Recreation Ground	£950.00
BACS	31-Dec-22	Unity Trust Bank	Bank Charges	£18.00
BACS	06-Jan-23	Staff Costs	Staff Costs Dec	£1,736.68
BACS	09-Jan-23	A D Clark	Grounds maintenance + extra cut	£772.06
BACS	09-Jan-23	Compton Village Hall	Room hire June	£50.00
BACS	09-Jan-23	Compton Village Hall	Room hire July-December	£150.00
BACS	09-Jan-23	West Berkshire Council	Compilations - June, Aug, Oct and Dec issues	£1,463.72
BACS	09-Jan-23	SLCC	Practitioners' Conference	£206.25
BACS	09-Jan-23	Almond Arborists	Work on Newbury Lane hedgerow	£1,150.00
BACS	09-Jan-23	Spires Legal Solicitors	Legal Advice	£130.80
BACS	09-Jan-23	Enerveo	Street light maintenance Q3	£748.99
BACS	09-Jan-23	Enerveo	Street light rechargeable repairs Q3	£78.55
BACS	09-Jan-23	CCB	CBAS membership 2023	£180.00
Total				£10,086.92

Transfers

Method	Date	From Account	To Account	Amount
DD	16-Dec-22	Unity Current	Lloyds	£126.82
Total				£126.82