

Compton Parish Council

Chairman: Dave Aldis

Clerk: Sarah Marshman

MINUTES of the COUNCIL MEETING

Held on **Monday 29th July, 2013 at 7pm** in the Welstead Room, Compton Village Hall.

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

In attendance: The Parish Clerk.

The meeting started at 7.00pm.

3042 **Apologies for absence** were received from Councillors M. Birtwistle and P. Shanks and District Councillor Virginia von Celsing.

3043 **Any declarations of pecuniary interest by members or the Clerk**
PB declared an interest in item 3058.

3044 **To receive: Questions or comments from members of the public**
Representations from any member who has declared a pecuniary interest
There were none.

3045 **To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 1st July, 2013**
Proposed by LM, seconded by PW and carried. They were then signed by the Chairman.

3046 **Matters arising from the minutes of the Council Meeting on 1st July, 2013**
There were none.

3047 **To receive a report from our District Councillor, Virginia von Celsing**
Apologies were received from VvC.

3048 **Clerk's report**
The Clerk went through her report, which is at Attachment 1.

3049 **To update the agreement and review the rent for the grazing land around Newbury Allotments**
This was deferred to the next meeting.

3050 **To consider quotes to inspect the goal posts**
The Clerk is to request the cost for inspection as part of the annual inspection.

3051 **To consider quotes to purchase fencing posts for the Recreation Ground**
KS proposed the quote from Iain Jerney should be accepted, seconded by DA and carried.

3052 **To receive an update on the Churchyard**
There was no update.

3053 **To receive an update on vandalism and anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the village**
A chicken was recently stolen from The Downs School. This has been reported to the PCSO.

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3054 **To receive an update on Superfast Broadband**

There will be no update until after the September deadline.

3055 **Planning Applications**

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

App. Ref.	Location	Proposed Work	Recommendation
13/01390/ HOUSE	18 Whitewalls Close, Compton, RG20 6QG	Rear single storey conservatory.	NO OBJECTIONS
13/01700/ HOUSE	Woodview, Newbury Road, Compton, RG20 7RJ	Front and side single storey extension. Rear oak frame summer room.	NO OBJECTIONS

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

App. Ref.	Location	Proposed Work	Compton PC Recommendation	WBC Decision
13/00831/HOU SE	35 Shepherds Mount, Compton, RG20 6QY	Rebuild existing sunroom and externally insulate house.	NO OBJECTIONS	Granted
12/02420/FULD APP/W0340/A/ 13/2193272	20 Manor Crescent, Compton, RG20 6NR	Proposed dwelling.	OBJECT	Planning Inspectorate Appeal Refused

3056 **To receive reports on the following:**

d) **Village Hall**

£2300 was made at the recent fete.

e) **Allotments**

Newbury Lane: The Chapel fence has been rebuilt and, from examination of the evidence the Parish Council holds, it is believed this has encroached on allotment land by approx. 5'. DA will speak to the owners and request the fencing is moved. If this has not been moved by the next meeting, the Clerk is to formally write to the owners.

f) **Patient Representation**

The recent meeting was cancelled. Coverage of Compton surgery over the summer is poor. AS will invite the Practice Manager to the next meeting.

3057 **To approve cheques due for payment**

Invoice Date	Cheque No.	Payee	Amount	Description
20 Jun	102344	CCB	£30.00	CCB membership renewal
30 Jun	102345	Scofell Landscapes Ltd	£534.85	Monthly grounds maintenance June
27 Jun	102346	Southern Electric	£741.25	Electricity supply charges 27 Mar – 26 Jun
3 Jul	102347	West Berkshire District Council	£707.14	Compilations April/May
26 Jul	102348	S. Marshman	£541.80	Clerk's salary and expenses for 5 weeks to 4 th August

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31 May	102349	Veolia ES (UK) Ltd	£55.98	Emptying of bin at Daycare Centre May
25 Jun	102349	Veolia ES (UK) Ltd	£43.20	Emptying of bin at Daycare Centre Jun
28 Jul	102350	D. Moss	£55.00	Litterpicking July

3058 **Correspondence**

The Correspondence Report was presented and is at Attachment 2.

An email was received from a resident of Lowbury Gardens, requesting the removal of a lime tree in the Recreation Ground. The Clerk is to respond, highlighting the recent inspection and agreed work. The Clerk is to contact the arborist to see if any sympathetic cutting can be done.

PB left the room for discussion of the next item of correspondence.

A request for a donation was received from the Autumn Group. AS proposed a donation of £300 should be made, seconded by PW and carried.

PB entered the room.

3059 **Matters for consideration and information**

KS – The lamp post opposite Yew Tree Stables has not yet been replaced. Clerk to contact WBC.

LM – Has contacted Andrew England about the report from Sovereign. A number of driveways and permeable bays are in the process of being designed.

Meeting closed at 8pm.

Date and time of next scheduled meeting:

➤ **Council Meeting:** Monday 2nd September, 2013 at 7pm in the Village Hall

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