

Compton Parish Council

Chairman: Dave Aldis

Clerk: Ron Palmer

MINUTES of the COUNCIL MEETING

Held on **Monday 17th May 2010 at 10pm** in the Welstead Room, Compton Village Hall.

Those present: Councillors D Aldis (Chair), B Evans, P Shanks, M Pinfold, L Moss, K Simms, M Birtwistle and A Strong

In attendance: R Palmer (Clerk)

The meeting opened at 10.05pm.

2087 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies had been received from District Councillor B Alexander and Parish Councillor P Whitworth

2088 **Any declarations of personal or prejudicial interest by members or the Clerk**

As an employee of The Downs School, LM declared a personal interest in agenda item 2090

2089 **To receive:**

- **Questions or comments from members of the public**
 - **Representations from any member who has declared a prejudicial interest**
- There were none

2090 **To consider the Parish Council representation at the Planning Enquiry on 6 July into the proposed diversion of footpath 16a which runs across The Downs School playing fields and to agree the approach to be taken by the Council**

Members had listened to comments from Compton residents at the prior Annual Parish Meeting.

Some residents, whose properties backed onto the school playing fields, had expressed concerns about the state of their fences. Others said they would not feel safe on the new footpath if it were just bounded by a hedge. Others expressed concern that, even if the footpath were to be diverted, the School would still not be a totally secure environment.

Following discussions, KS proposed that, bearing in mind the school's desire to improve the security of it's pupils and property, but taking into account the concerns of some residents noted above, Council does not object to the proposed diversion of the footpath. This was seconded by BE and was carried, with AS abstaining.

The meeting closed at 10.30pm.

Forthcoming meeting:

- ◆ **Council Meeting: Monday 7th June at 7pm**

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Date