

Compton Parish Council

Chairman: Dave Aldis

Clerk: Ron Palmer

MINUTES of the COUNCIL MEETING

Held on **Monday 16th May 2011 at 8.55pm** in the Dining Room, Downs School, Compton.

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

In attendance: R Palmer (Clerk)

The meeting opened at 8.55pm, after the conclusion of the Annual Parish Meeting .

2374 Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from the Parish Council Chairman D Aldis (who was in hospital) and our new District Councillor Virginia van Celsing

2375 Any declarations of personal or prejudicial interest by members or the Clerk

There were none

2376 Declarations of acceptance of office by Councillor Aldis:

a) As Chairman of the Council for the year 2011/12

b) As a Councillor for the period 2011 to 2015

These declarations were not signed as Councillor Aldis was still indisposed

2377 To approve and sign the 2010/11 accounting statements and section 1 of the Annual Return

Proposed by KS, seconded by MP and carried. The accounting statements and section 1 of the Annual Return were then signed by MB, the vice-chairman of the Council.

2378 To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement – section 2 of the Annual Return

Proposed by AS, seconded by MP and carried. Section 2 of the Annual Return was then signed by MB, the vice-chairman of the Council.

2379 To approve a quote of £738 + VAT to carry out urgent repairs to the electric circuitry in the football pavilion to ensure the pavilion will be safe to use for the annual village fete

The Clerk said that he had spoken to the contractor who had confirmed that the work would be completed by the date of the fete if the go-ahead was given at an early date. PS proposed that, in view of the urgent safety implications, this single quote be accepted. This was seconded by KS and was carried.

2380 To consider the following planning applications and agree that the comments be forwarded to West Berkshire Council:]

App. Ref.	Location	Proposed Work	Recommendation
11/00389/CERTE	Land at High Elms South, Aldworth Road, Compton RG20 6RD	Stationing of 1 heavy goods vehicle in accordance with an operator's licence granted by Western Traffic Area, expiring on 26 August 2012. Use of commercial access road.	NO OBSERVATIONS

.....
Chairman

.....
Date

App. Ref.	Location	Proposed Work	Recommendation
11/00391/CERTE	Land at High Elms South, Aldworth Road, Compton RG20 6RD	Use of warehouse for the storage of mainly commercial and partly domestic goods. Use of commercial access road.	NO OBSERVATIONS
11/00586/FULMAJ	15-20 Fairfield and land to the rear of 14 -20 Newbury Lane, RG20 6PJ	4 x 3 bedroom houses, 6 x 2 bedroom houses and 2 x 1 bed flats together with external works, car parking and access road. Replacement car spaces on site.	OBJECTION Proposed: PS Seconded: AS Carried See note 1 below
<p>Note 1: Members did not feel that the redevelopment would conserve or enhance the character of the village. The elevation of numbers 3 to 5 is very plain and in contrast to houses on the opposite side of the road. Other elevations are equally plain and the whole redevelopment appears 'barrack-like'. Also, the faces of numbers 3 to 5 are only 60cm from the footway, more in keeping with an urban development than a rural one.</p>			

2381 **Matters for consideration and information**

There were none.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.

Forthcoming meetings:

◆ **Council Meeting**

Monday 6th June at 7pm

In the Welstead Room, Village Hall, Burrell Road

.....
Chairman

.....
Date