

COMPTON DUNDON PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

held at Meadway Hall, Ham Lane, Compton Dundon on **Wednesday 1st July 2015.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Diane Churches, Greg Jones, Tiffany Kearton, Stephen King, Vicki Olivier, Geoffrey Walker and Hugh Thomas.

IN ATTENDANCE: Stanislaw Berkieta (Parish Clerk), Dean Ruddle (SCC/SSDC), Steve Page (SSDC).

There were 6 member of the general public present

Public Participation – None at this stage.

135.1 Apologies for Absence - None required.

135.2 Declarations of Interest – None at this stage.

135.3 Minutes of the previous Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council held on 3rd June 2015 as a true record and Cllr Greg Jones signed the minutes.

135.4 Planning

a) Notifications of district council planning determinations

1. 14/04863/OUT: Mr. L Wills, Compton Randle, Compton Dundon TA11 6PR, Outline planning application for the erection of a single storey dwelling in the garden of Compton Randle (GR: 439128/132830) - **PERMISSION GRANTED** – amended notification. .

2. 15/02139/LBC: Ms. A Robertson, Holly Cottage, Compton Street, TA11 6PS. Repairs to listed building to address cracking in structure (GR: 349260/133326) – **CONSENT GRANTED**

b) Responses to planning and legal consultations

1. 15/02219/S73A: Mr. S Green, Orchard End, Hayes Road, Compton Dundon, TA11 6PF, (GR:346904/132717). Application to remove condition 4 of planning application 782176 dated 12/10/1979. Following answers to several questions regarding original planning condition it was unanimously **RESOLVED to RECOMMEND REMOVAL** of the condition subject to approval of planning application 15/02220/FUL.

2. 15/02220/FUL: Mr. S Green, Hayes Farm Hayes Road, Compton Dundon, TA11 6PF. Demolition of farm buildings and conversion of redundant barn to provide two dwellings (one to be rural workers' dwelling). (GR: 347063/132753).

The reason for the application was given and following a short discussion regarding whether the current metal roof should be replace by zinc paneling or tiles the Council **RESOLVED to strongly RECOMMEND APPROVAL** of the application.

c) Other planning related issues

Cllr. Geoffery Walker commented that the Beckbury Orchard plot had been prepared for building by clearance of the established hedging. This has created instability on the banking and wondered what action would be taken to ensure that the water course was not blocked by ground slippage? The Clerk was requested to contact the owners on the matter.

135.5 Accounts.

a) The Clerk gave the following report on bank account reconciliation:

Treasurers A/C Statement at 1 July 2015		2,118.61
Less - Unpresented cheques:		0
Plus - Uncleared lodgments		0
Treasurers A/C Adjusted Balance at 1 July 2015		2,118.61
Business Instant Access A/c Balance at 1 July 2015		36,861.58
Overall Bank Balance		38,980.19
Overall Ledger Book Balance		38,980.19

b) The following cheques were tabled for approval

SSDC Election expenses inv 04810022576	000910	219.50
J Parry grass cutting inv 03	000911	129.50
Parish Magazine inv no.0822 July newsletter	000912	60.71
SALC Training courses inv 760	000913	40.00
Wham Ltd Domain comptondundon.com – inv 150610	000914	145.00
Clerk salary & expenses CD125	000915	294.15
HMRC – Paye month 3	000916	57.80
Total value of cheques		946.66

The Council **RESOLVED** to approve the cheque payments.

135.6 Reports

a) Report from the County Councillor

Cllr. Dean Ruddle advised that he had followed up the Marshal Elms missing signage but without success at this stage. He reported that he had advised the Clerk of the disappointing news regarding broadband services from BT under the Connecting Devon and Somerset – Phase 2 programme. He also advised that there would be no special funds at his disposal for Highways special work or Well-Being programmes.

b) Reports from District Councillors

Cllr. Steve Page echoed Cllr. Ruddle's frustration regarding the broadband issue. He advised that he was holding a Surgery on the last Saturday of each month at the Full of Beans Café in Somerton.

Cllr Dean Ruddle advised that although the County news on special funds was bad, there may be some small funding available for villages at the District level.

c) Report of the Chairman

The Chairman advised that nominations for Somerset County Community Service Awards and nominations for Gold Star Awards for young person's service in the community would close on 4 September and 9 September respectively. The relevant papers had been circulated to councillors and the matter would be on the next PC agenda.

d) Report from the Police

The report from PC Terri Lines was noted as was the Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner Newsletter.

e) Rights of Way report – The report from David Shears was noted.

f) Report of the Village Hall Committee

No report had been received but Cllrs Kearton and King attended the last meeting of the Committee.

135.7 Highways Report

The On-Line report as updated by John Nicholson was reviewed and further updated. No results had been received on the recent Speed Indicator Devices posted in the Parish.

135.8 Correspondence and items requiring discussion/decision

- a. Flood Risk project proposal – The project was discussed and it was **RESOLVED** to resubmit the previous application with an indicative quote and a note of the Parish contribution. Since the problem has been on the On-Line Highways report for some time support for action should be sought from John Nicholson.
- b. Flood Risk Management Event 2015 – The information was noted.
- c. Village Directory printing – The quotation was discussed and it was **RESOLVED** to go ahead with the printing.

135.9 Correspondence for information

The following correspondence was received in June and circulated to Councillors: SSDC Area North Committee 24/6; SLCC branch meeting; SWP June newsletter; Somerset Choices initiation; Cllr S Page surgery notice; Sun Farming solar systems; Somerset Play Forum; Rural Regeneration; Somerset Community Foundation; Helping Hands; Rural Services Network (Fuel Poverty, Rural transport, Email weekly news digests); Meet the Environment Agency open day.

135.10 Councillors' requests for agenda items for the next Parish Council meeting –

- Status of development at Shepherds Close
- Local Council Award Scheme: Gold Status requirement

135.11 Date of the next meeting of the Parish Council was confirmed as scheduled for 7pm, 2nd Sept 2015.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 08:12 pm

Signed as a true record

Cllr. Greg Jones (Chairman)

Date: 2nd September 2015