

MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

held at Meadway Hall, Ham Lane, Compton Dundon on **Wednesday 2nd October 2019**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllrs Greg Jones, Tiffany Kearton, Stephen King (Chairman), Christopher Swain, John Rowland & Geoffrey Walker.

IN ATTENDANCE: Helen Richardson (Clerk), Dean Ruddle (SSDC&SCC) and Tim Kerley (SSDC).

There were 7 members of the general public present.

Public Participation: The applicant for 19/02482/OUT land at the Old Farmyard presented the application and was available to answer questions.

186.1 Apologies for Absence- Diane Churches, John Rowland

186.2 Declarations of Interest – Steve King (Item 186.9d)

186.3 It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 4th September and the Chairman signed them.

186.4 Planning

a) **Notifications of district council planning determinations:**

i) 19/01966/OUT. New Church Farm, School Lane, Compton Dundon. Demolition of existing buildings and the erection of two dwellings. **PERMITTED with Conditions**

ii) 19/02225/TPO. The Hood Monument At Butleigh Wootton Behind Town Compton Dundon. Application to carry out tree works to various trees as shown within the SSDC (CODU 2) 2012 Tree Preservation Order, Confirmed 30.11.12. **PERMITTED**

b) **Responses to planning and legal consultations:**

i) 19/02482/OUT. Land at the Old Farmyard Behind Town, Compton Dundon. Outline application with all matters reserved except access for the erection of 2 dwellings. The Parish Council agreed that they had **no objection** to this application as the applicant explained that permission had previously been given, but this application effectively extended the permission as work was not ready to commence.

ii) 19/02417/FUL. Land Adjacent Ham Lane, Compton Dundon. The Erection of one dwelling with garage, access and landscape planting. The applicant did not attend the meeting. Although the Parish Council acknowledged that they must consider this application in isolation to other pending applications, disappointment was expressed that this was not being considered in one application with the 7 other dwellings on the neighbouring plot of land as this would be a fairer representation of the reality of the proposals. The Parish Council agreed that they could not support it in its current form. A two storey dwelling in that plot would dominate the landscape and overlook the house opposite. A 1.5 storey bungalow would be preferable with access moved to the corner of the plot reducing the impact on neighbouring properties. This would also leave the hedge intact.

c). **Other planning consultation issues:** It was reported that the Clerk and two councilors would be meeting with a strategic planning officer at SSDC to discuss the creation of a Compton Dundon & Littleton Neighbourhood Plan.

186.5 Accounts

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

Treasurers A/C Statement at 30/9/19		£ 4,311.79
Less - Unpresented cheques: Concrete Sports	£ 2,694.00	
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Plus - Uncleared lodgements: none	£ -	
Treasurers A/C Adjusted Balance at 30/9/19		£ 1,617.79
Business Instant Access A/c Balance at 30/9/19		£ 65,178.53
Overall Bank Balance		£ 66,796.32
Overall Ledger Book Balance		£ 66,796.32
Included in Treasurer's balance as stated above are the following debits:		
(a) Direct Debit: - 16/9/19 BT Line/Broadband - £70.20		
(b) Direct Debit: - 30/9/19 Auto enrolment - £13.20		

b) The following payments were approved:

Purpose for Expense	Chq No.	Amount	VAT	Recover
Clerk salary & Expenses CD177	1246	454.06	0	N/A
HMRC (PAYE month 6)	1247	87.4	0	N/A
SSDC Ranger Labour (August)	1248	150.96	25.16	Y
Parish Magazine Printing - (October)	1249	136.13	0	N/A
Will Austin - grass cutting September	1250	375.00	0	N/A
PKF Littlejohn - External Audit	1251	240.00	40	Y
Caloo - Basket Ball net	1252	1,548.00	258	Y
Total value of cheques		2,991.55		
Transfer from BIA to Treasurer's Account		5,000.00		
The above leaves:				
Treasurers Account Ledger Balance of	£ 1,617.79			
less value of Cheques	£ 2,991.55			
plus value of Transfer	£ 5,000.00			
	£ 3,626.24			

186.6 Reports

- The County Councillor reported that the Parish was invited to apply for up to £500 from the members fund. It was agreed that the Clerk would apply for the grant to be put towards the tree planting project and planters at the cross.
- The District Councillor reported that the District Council would be able to fund up to 50% of the cost of the Projector & Screen (£1000 Max) if the Village Hall Committee applied for the grant. TK to submit application.
- The Chairman had nothing to report
- The police report had not been received
- It was reported that the Rights of Way volunteers had installed the bench by the cricket club
- The minutes of the Village Hall committee had been circulated.

186.7 Highways Issues

- It was reported that correspondence had been received from resident requesting SSDC to install a warning sign for concealed access.

186.8 Correspondence and items requiring discussion/decision

- It was agreed that two planters should be installed either side of the bus shelter. GJ & CS would measure up and cost the timber to create the planters which would be funded by the County Councils members grant. One of these would host a community herb garden for all residents to use. A resident has offered to supply the plants and maintain the planters in return for her company name on the planter.
- Following a query from a resident it was confirmed that Touch Lane was a restricted byway. An application was made to upgrade it to a Byway Open to All Traffic but that application was not successful.
- The Parish Council approved the expenditure for a license for Parish Online

186.9 Report of ongoing projects/issues

- Compton Commercials Development** – No Further update
- Speed Indicator Device (SID) Programme** – proposed positions to be submitted to Traffic Management. The police will not support Auto speed watch
- New Play equipment project** – Table tennis table installed, Dobles have enlarged the concrete base. Basketball net now installed.
- Compton Dundon Memorial Trees** – asked for advice from Woodland trust regarding type of trees,
- Community Tree Planting Project** – event booked in Village Hall on October 23rd.
- Defibrillator** – Device ordered. Village Hall committee to pay for installation
- Projector & Screen** – Grant application to be forwarded to Tim Kerley

186.10 Items put forward for the next meeting: Draft Budget.

186.11 The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 6th November 2019 at 7pm

There being no further business the meeting ended at 8.10pm.

Signed as a true record
Cllr. Steve King (Chairman)

Date: 2nd October 2019