

MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Google Meet on **Wednesday 1st April 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllrs Greg Jones, Diane Churches, 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 0 members of the general public present.

193.1 Apologies for Absence- None

193.2 Declarations of Interest: Chris Swain (193.4bii) John Rowland (193.4bi & 193.4bv)

193.3 It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 4th March and the Clerk Signed them on behalf of the Chairman, who would sign them at the next available opportunity.

193.4 Planning

a) Notifications of district council planning determinations:

i) 19/01705/COL. The Mobi, Littleton. The erection and residential occupation of a dwelling and associated curtilage. **PERMIT with Conditions**

ii) 19/02148/OUT: Land OS 9258 Castlebrook, Compton Dundon. Outline application for residential development with some matters reserved except access, layout, and landscaping (Revised App) **PERMIT with Conditions**

b) Responses to planning and legal consultations:

i) 20/00313/FUL Meadow View, Street Road, Compton Dundon. Change of use from agricultural to Residential, demolition of existing agricultural barn, erection 1No 2 storey dwelling, with detached double garage and creation of a new agricultural access. The Parish Council resolved to support this application although it was noted that the site was liable to flooding.

ii) 20/00580/REM: Land Adjacent to Albacore Villa, Hayes Road, Compton Dundon. Reserved Matters application for the approval of the appearance, landscaping, layout and scale of the development following Outline approval 18/03325/OUT for the erection of 2No Dwellings. The Parish council resolved to support this application, The applicant had taken on board previous discussions with the Parish Council and made changes to the siting of the new houses. They have been set back from the road creating parking spaces at the front of the houses with planting at the front boundary.

iii) 20/00608/FUL: Land OS 3900 Behind Town, Compton Dundon. Erection of general-purpose Agricultural building to replace buildings to be lost at Home Farm, due to Redevelopment. The Parish Council resolved to object to the plans due to the positioning of the Agricultural Barn and unsuitable access. An alternative siting of the Agricultural Barn had been suggested with a change of access which the Parish Council found more favourable

iv) 20/00609/FUL: Land OS 3900 Behind Town, Compton Dundon. Erection of Livestock building to replace buildings to be lost at Home Farm, due to Redevelopment. The Parish Council resolved to object to the plans in their current form due to an unsuitable access. The Parish Council had no objection to the siting of the livestock barn. The Parish Council would be minded to support the application if the access to the livestock barn was amended to the proposed access mentioned in application 20/00608/FUL above.

v) 20/00597/OUT, Land adjacent to Stockhelm, Street Road, Compton Dundon. Outline Application with all matters reserved except access for the erection of 9No dwellings with parking. The Parish Council resolved that they had no objection, however, the hedge which is currently the boundary with Street Road should be re established once the development has been completed. In addition, as an orchard will be lost with the development, finance should be provided to establish a replacement orchard somewhere else in the village perhaps as a community orchard.

c). Other planning consultation issues: The changes to the SSDC planning function due to Covid-19 were noted.

193.5 Accounts

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

Treasurers A/C Statement at 30/3/2020		£ 3,028.44
Less - Unpresented cheques:		
SALC - Parish Ranger	£ 150.96	
		£ 150.96
Plus - Uncleared lodgements: none	£ -	
Treasurers A/C Adjusted Balance at 30/3/2020		£ 2,877.48
Business Instant Access A/c Balance at 30/3/2020		£ 51,220.43
Overall Bank Balance		£ 54,097.91
Overall Ledger Book Balance		£ 54,097.91
Included in Treasurer's balance as stated above are the following debits:		
(a) Direct Debit: - 16/3/2020 BT Line/Broadband - £70.20		
(b) Direct Debit: - 30/3/2020 Auto enrolment - £13.20		

b) The following payments were approved (GJ & JR)

Purpose for Expense	Chq No.	Amount	VAT	Recover
Clerk salary & Expenses CD182		413.46	0	N/A
HMRC (PAYE month 12)		87.60	0	N/A
Parish Magazine Printing (Feb Edition)		136.13	0	N/A
Compton Dundon Village Hall (Jan-March)		48.00	0	N/A
Kate Towers Reimburse for 50 Tree Guards & Stakes		120.00	20	Y
Steve King Reimburse for Rabitting Spade		39.48	6.58	Y
Chris Swain Reimburse for Wood & Screws		200.39	33.4	Y
Total value of cheques		1,045.06		
Transfer from BIA to Treasurer's Account		3,000.00		

c) the Parish Council also approved expenditure for paper & Printer toner to produce a Covid-19 leaflet to be distributed door to door.

193.6 Reports

- The County Councillor reported that he had appointed Trudy Grant as Cabinet Member for Covid-19. The Highways Service was still continuing although some activity would be restricted due to Covid-19. Concern was raised that a rise in Fly-tipping could occur due to the closure of the recycling centres, but it was confirmed that they were unlikely to open in the near future.
- The District Councillor reported the District Council had met and agreed to hand power over to the Chief Executive but would review the decision in 3 months.
- The Chairman reported that all the trees had been planted thanks to the efforts of Kate Towers and the volunteers. He had received a request for a dog bin where the Church Path meets Ham Lane but this request would be put on hold until the Covid 19 crisis was over.
- It was reported that Adam Potter had taken over as PCSO for the area.
- It was reported that the Rights of Way Volunteers would not meet due to Covid 19 until further notice.
- The Village Hall Committee minutes had been circulated. The AGM had been cancelled, however the Post office was still open.

193.7 Highways Issues

193.8 Correspondence and items requiring discussion/decision

- The Parish Council approved the Business Continuity Motion extending the scheme of delegation to the Clerk during the Covid-19 crisis if online communication is not possible.
- The SSDC safety report for the playground was received.

193.9 Report of ongoing projects/issues

- Compton Commercials Development** – work has started on the site
- Speed Indicator Device (SID) Programme** – the Parish Council approved the expenditure of £200 for a new pole, but was unlikely to happen until the Covid 19 crisis was over, the project was put on hold.
- Community Tree Planting Project** – 1st Batch of trees planted- more trees to be ordered for next year.
- Defibrillator** – Training postponed
- Projector & Screen** – grant application has been approved
- Neighbourhood Plan**-Designation applied for- no further progress
- Proposed new Bridleway** – letter to allotment holders
- Allotments** – Establish procedure for acquiring land
- Planters at the Bus Stop** – Materials purchased – CS to make planters, GJ & SK to help install respecting social distancing.
- Electric Charging points** – On hold
- New noticeboard** – costs needed
- Digital Archive** – Review application.

193.10 Items put forward for the next meeting: None

193.11 The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 6th May 2020 at 7pm

There being no further business the meeting ended at 8.59pm.

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

Date: 6th May 2020