Compton Abbas Parish Council

MINUTES OF COMPTON ABBAS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

 on the 29th of September 2022

 **6.30PM at Compton Abbas Church Hall, Compton Abbas**

Present: Cllr T Clements – Chairman, Cllr J Low, Cllr M Briars and Cllr S Myall

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips (Parish Clerk) - There were two members of the public

**At this point the Chairman asked people to observe a 1-minute silence acknowledging the death of HRH Queen Elizabeth II**

**Public Consultation:** Mrs Parsons confirmed that she has been looking at areas of land that maybe suitable for a small pavilion/hall for the Parish. Unfortunately, at this present time all of the farmland is registered on the Governments Environment Scheme, which does not allow for structures to be built on the land.

Mrs Parson also confirmed that the proposed allocated campsite has been withdrawn.

22/14. To receive and accept apologies of absence.

Cllr S Warren, Cllr J Guttridge and Dorset Councillor J Somper

22/15. Declarations of interest and dispensations.

There were none.

22/16. Co-option for new members.

Mrs Rebeca Lower expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council. Cllr Low proposed Mrs Rebeca Lower is co-opted on as Councillor for Compton Parish Council, this was seconded by Cllr Myall and all in favour.

RESOLVED: Mrs Rebeca Lower is co-opted on as a new Councillor for Compton Abbas Parish Council (22/14 no budgetary requirements)

The Councillors and Clerk welcomed Mrs Lower to the Parish Council.

22/17. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated Wednesday the 3rd of May 2022

The minutes were proposed by Cllr Low and seconded by Cllr Myall, all agreed that the minutes are a true and accurate record of the meeting. They were duly signed by the Chairman.

RESOLVED: that the minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman (22/15 – no budgetary allocations required)

Matters arising:

Proposed road closure to allow construction for access to Land North of 16 & 17 – Dorset Council authorities have contacted the owner of the land and this road closure has now been withdrawn.

Sale of Church Hall – Concerns were raised that discussions have taken place regarding the future of the Church Hall. As this has not been officially confirmed, the Clerk will contact the Church Hall Committee to obtain further information on their future plans. Action - Clerk

22/18. Report from Dorset Council Councillor Jane Somper.

Cllr Somper circulated her report, which can be found on the Parish Council website, or a copy can be obtained from the Clerk. The following are the heading of the report.

22/19. Finance - To agree: Payment Schedule.

The Clerk had circulated payments each month since the meeting held on the 3rd of May. The payment schedules were agreed via email for payment.

The Payment Schedule for August and September 2022 for the total of £1402.41 was tabled. This was proposed by Cllr Clements and seconded by Cllr Low, all agreed for the payments on the payment schedule be paid, the schedule was duly signed Chairman.



 RESOLVED: to pay the payment on the schedule to the total sum of £1402.41 (22/19 current account)

22/20. Planning: Review of applications received and responded to via email (DC=Dorset Council)

* **P/HOU/2022/02558 - Tuckers Barton - Erect three bay carport – DC granted**
* **P/HOU/2022/02750 - The Old Farm House – convert barn for living – DC granted**
* **P/VOC/2022/03851 - Tuckers Barton – Erect external swimming pool – DC granted**
* **P/HOU/2022/04352 - 4 Prystock Cottages - Erect Side Extension – DC granted**
* **P/HOU/2022/04789 - Incombe Head - Erect single storey side extension – DC granted**
* **P/VOC/2022/04828 - Incombe Head - swimming pool – Parish Council no objection**
* **P/HOU/2022/04953 - Chapel House - Erect free standing car port – Parish Council no objection**

A matter was raised that an application that has been submitted has not been sent to the Parish Council or no action has been done for months. The Clerk will investigate this matter with Dorset Council.

22/21. Chairmans report

The Chairman reported that Dorset Council has announced that the proposed North South HGV route using the A350 has been withdrawn. It is still awaiting an official confirmation with the higher authorities. This is great news.

22/22. Officers’ Reports

Play Area - Cllr Briars reported that some carpentry works to the boat in the play area is required. It was agreed to go ahead and get the work necessary completed.

Environment - Cllr Low reported that she has met with a representative from the Dark Sky’s project, to look at applying for the Parish to be registered with the Dark Sky’s project. Cllr Low is organising a day for the representative to come along and give a demonstration/talk about the project. Once this is organised the date will be advertised locally. Cllr Low is also still looking at the possibility for the village to have an area where the natural spring water can be used. It was also reported that the National Trust is working with landowners/farmers locally to try and see ways to promote initiatives to get the residents of the villages involved in nature.

Footpaths – A resident has offered to have a part of Watery Lane foot path cleared whilst having ground contractors work on the resident’s land. Cllr Briars will speak to the contractors to clarify what works need to be done.

Roads/village furniture and monuments – nothing to report

DAPTC – relevant information has been circulated, nothing further to report.

22/23. Items for next agenda and date of next meeting. Budget

The Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th December 2022, Compton Abbas Church Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 19.24

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