

Compton Bishop Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON

10th August 2022

Present: Councillors A Lane, D McCarthy, E Parker, M Rolfe and C Settle.

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice Chairman A Lane chaired the meeting.

22/10A To receive any apologies for non-attendance.
Apologies were received from Councillors T Kelly and T Mason. County Councillors B Filmer and T Grimes were not present.

22/10B To receive declarations of interest.
There were no declarations of interest.

22/10C To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18th July 2022.
It was resolved to approve the minutes, with amendments. The Chairman signed the amended minutes as being a true record of the meeting.

22/10D To receive the Clerks report.
The Clerk stated that he would not be available on the scheduled date of the October meeting which is the 12th. It was agreed to bring the date forward to 5th October.

All other current issues will be covered later in the agenda.

22/10E To receive the County Councillors report.
There were no County Councillors present and no report had been received.

22/10F To approve the bank statement and budget and the following payments.

Payee	Description	Amount £
T Jay	Clerk's salary	350.10
HMRC	PAYE	87.40
T Jay	Expenses including annual Microsoft subscription of £59.99	85.99
Cross Memorial Hall	Parish Council meeting room hire	90.00
Arien Signs	New notice board	696.00
Somerset Forge Ltd	Replace fingerpost	474.00
W C Maunders	Posts, post caps and post mix for notice board	49.05
MawAgri	Nuts and bolts for notice boards	1.80

It was resolved to approve the bank statement, budget and payments.

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22/10G

To consider the following Planning applications

Planning application number	Location	Proposal
21/22/00015	6, Church Lane, Compton Bishop BS26 2EZ	Erection of a two storey (west) extension (revised scheme). It was resolved not to comment on the application.

22/10H

To note the Planning Decisions Update.

Planning application number	Location	Decision
17/21/00103	Stearth Buses, Wedmore Road, Cheddar, BS27 3ED	Awaiting decision
21/22/00002	Land North of, Cross Moor Drove, Lower Weare, Axbridge	Awaiting decision
17/22/00002	Stearth Farm, Wedmore Road, Cheddar BS27 3ED	Awaiting decision
17/22/00003	Strawberry Field Park, Draycott Rd, Cheddar BS27 3FN	Awaiting decision
17/22/00010	Land to the West of Hollywood House, Hannay Road, Cheddar BS27 3BT	Awaiting decision
21/22/00009	Compton House, Coombe Lane, Compton Bishop, BS26 2HE	Awaiting decision
21/22/00013	Land to the West of The Barn, Webbington Road, Compton Bishop	Granted

The planning update was noted.

22/10I

To receive an update on progress in respect of the Cross to Axbridge Footpath. Negotiations are continuing between County Councillors and the landowners.

22/10J

To receive an update on the 'Representations in respect of Highway Issues in the Parish of Compton Bishop' document submitted to Somerset County Council in September 2021. A meeting will be held towards the end of August with Traffic Management Officers from Somerset County Council to discuss the issues raised in the document.

22/10K

To receive an update regarding the Community Speedwatch Team. The Speedwatch Team is now operating. Only one location has currently been approved which is on Old Coach Road west of the White Hart Inn. It is hoped that other locations will be approved.

22/10L

To receive an update from the Cross Climate Change Group. This is a newly formed group. Some young people were reported to be cutting down young sapling trees to be used on a barbecue fire. They were spoken to and asked to stop this behaviour.

An open meeting is planned for September when experts on energy saving and installation will be speaking.

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- 22/10M To receive a report following the inaugural meeting of the Springfield Wildlife Working Group.
A presentation is being prepared and should be finished in time to be presented to the November Parish Council meeting. The document will cover the history of the site, what the site looks like now and aspirations for how the site will be developed over the next five years and an estimate of costs.
- 22/10N To discuss the parking of camper vans at Webbington Road car park.
This was adjourned until the September meeting.
- 22/10O To consider whether the Parish Council wishes to finance a traffic reduction order on Webbington Road to reduce the speed limit from 60mph to 40mph at an estimated cost of between £5,000 and £7,000.
It was resolved 'in principle' to approve the financing of a traffic reduction order dependant on the receipt of an accurate cost figure. Councillor Rolfe abstained citing the need to meet with Somerset County Council to discuss road issues throughout the parish (item 22/10J Representations to Somerset County Council refers) before making any decision in respect of financing a reduced speed limit. (The Webbington Road is just one of the issues raised in the Representations that are having negative impacts on the parish's roads)
- 22/10P To receive Councillor reports.
The road markings at either side of the junction of Old Coach Road and Webbington Road in Cross are very faint and need repainting. Somerset County Council's Traffic Management team will deal with this request, which should be actioned in the current financial year.

The damaged speed roundel sign and post opposite the New Inn have been fixed.
- 22/10Q Items for next agenda.
To receive an update on progress in respect of the Cross to Axbridge Footpath.

To receive an update following the meeting held with Somerset County Council Highways representatives to discuss the 'Representations in respect of Highway Issues in the Parish of Compton Bishop' document submitted to Somerset County Council in September 2021.

To receive an update regarding the Community Speedwatch Team.

To receive an update from the Cross Climate Change Group.

To receive a report from the Springfield Wildlife Working Group on the document currently being prepared by the Group for and on behalf of the Parish Council

To discuss the parking of camper vans at Webbington Road car park.

Next Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 14th September 2022.
The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

End of minutes