

Compton Bishop Parish Council

Prior to the meeting a representative from Thatchers answered questions from the Council and a member of the public, a summary of those questions are listed below:

Crop Spraying in orchards within the Parish of Compton Bishop.

1. Thatchers have purchased new equipment which is limiting/will limit drifting of airborne spray towards adjacent properties
2. Several rows of trees closest to the properties are not/will not be sprayed, as a further precaution to limit drift of spray
3. That crop spray is partially an insecticide. Details of the actual spray are confidential and must be kept secret from the public for commercial reasons. Users of such sprays are not legally bound to disclose details.
4. The sprays are not harmful to bees. Thatchers have 6 beehives on site which are occupied all year round with no adverse affect to the bees or their honey. Insecticide not sprayed at blossom time as it important that bees are pollenating

Tractors and Trailers

1. The weight of tractors and fully laden trailers is on average 25 tonnes but could reach 30 tonnes.
2. Thatchers tractors have a maximum speed is 25 mph
3. Thatchers drivers do not use mobile phones when driving and have been employees for a considerable time, so they are confident they are responsible drivers.
4. If anyone has evidence of tractors exceeding 25 mph or a driver on a mobile phone, please disclose evidence to Thatchers.

Generally

To the best of Thatchers knowledge there are no outstanding complaints from CB parishioners in respect of spraying or tractors and trailers.

They will not put a notice up on the day as they say it is so last minute.

There are 120 acres of orchards between Cross and Bleadon

They use the main road between the orchard and Sandford to transport the apples.

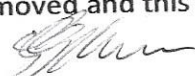
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on

11th August 2021 at Cross Memorial Hall

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

Also, present S Diaz and one member of the public.

- 21/8A To receive any apologies for non-attendance
Councillors T Mason, T Kelly and B Filmer sent their apologies.
- 21/8B To receive declarations of interest
There were no declarations of interest.
- 21/8C To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th July 2021
previously circulated.
It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th July 2021.
- 21/8D Clerks report
The clerk's report was sent prior to the meeting. The clerk added that the dog bin at Coombe Lane had been stolen/removed and this was reported to the Police.



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21/8E County Councillors report
The County Councillor was unable to attend.

21/8F To approve the bank statement and budget and the following payments

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
9.7.21	Somerset Association of Local Councils	Affiliation fees	166.31
02.8.21	Sedgemoor District Council	Staff costs July by DD	392.28
3.8.21	S Diaz	Expenses-microsoft subscription, mileage and printing	79.88

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

21/8G Planning applications

Planning Application Number	Proposal	Location:
21/21/00020	Erection of single storey rear (West) extension on site of existing store (to be demolished).	Glebe House, Vicarage Lane, Compton Bishop, Axbridge, Somerset, BS26 2HL It was resolved to make no comment on this application.
21/21/00018	Proposed siting of storage shipping container to the East elevation.	Street Record, Cross, Axbridge Compton Bishop Parish Council objects to this Application for reasons stated hereunder but will withdraw its objection if its reasons are satisfied by either clarification by the Applicant or Conditions imposed by SDC. Reasons 1. If approval is given it must be on a temporary basis of no more than 3 years from the date of approval. 2. The container must be painted grey or green to blend in with its surroundings or alternatively hidden from view by vegetation.
21/21/00016	Erection of single storey side (East) lean-to extension.	Moorland Farm, Old Coach Road, Cross, Axbridge, Somerset, BS26 2EF It was resolved to make no comment on this application.

21/8H Planning Decisions Update
The decisions were noted.

Planning application number	Location	Decision
21/21/00017	The Timber Yard, Bridgwater Road, Compton Bishop, Axbridge, BS26 2EA	Granted

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21/21/00014	Land adjacent to, Rackley Lane, Compton Bishop, Axbridge, Somerset, BS26	Awaiting decision
17/21/00006	Saxon Place, Station Road, Cheddar, Somerset, BS27 3AG	Awaiting decision
21/21/00005	On Land at Newland Farm, Cross Moor Drove, Axbridge, Somerset	Awaiting decision
17/21/00018	Land adjoining, Draycott Road, Cheddar, Somerset, BS27	Awaiting decision
21/21/00006	Land North of, Cross Moor Drove, Lower Weare, Axbridge	Awaiting decision
21/20/00025	Prospect Cottage, Webbington Road, Compton Bishop, Axbridge, Somerset, BS26 2EU	Awaiting decision
17/20/00064	Land At, Steart Bushes, Wedmore Road, Cheddar, Somerset, BS27	Awaiting decision
17/18/00073	Land to the North of, Axbridge Road, Cheddar, Somerset, BS27	Awaiting decision
17/18/00053	Land To The West Of, Lower New Road, Cheddar, BS27 3DZ	Awaiting decision

21/8I To consider the anti-social behaviour on the Webbington Road.
Councillor McCarthy provided an update from Cheddar Parish Council and will be included on item 21/8M.

21/8J To consider the request for verge protectors opposite the hall.
It was resolved to agree to the request for verge protectors.

21/8K To consider the position of SID's in the Parish.
The Council agreed the position of the SID's in the Parish.

21/8L To consider the creation of a speedwatch group in the village.
It was resolved that Councillor McCarthy would arrange a meeting to inform the volunteers about the speedwatch group requirements. A further request will go out on Cross Connections for more volunteers.

21/8M To consider Progress on Representations to Somerset County Council regarding main highway thoroughfare through the parish.
Councillors Rolfe, Parker and McCarthy are working on a document which is underway to present to Somerset County Council.

21/8N To consider how to request that Somerset County Council take responsibility to aid the progress of making the public footpath safe to use from Cross Lane to Axbridge.

Councillor Parker will plan to research further into previous actions and commitments from Somerset County Council and further proposals on making the public footpath safe to use from Cross Lane to Axbridge.



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21/80 Councillor reports-nothing to report.

21/8P Items for the next Agenda-Progress on representations to Somerset County Council.

Next Parish Council Meeting 8th September 2021 at 7.30pm

End of minutes