

**Minutes of a Meeting of Compton Bassett Parish Council**  
**Held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011 at 7.30pm**  
**At Compton Bassett Village Hall Meeting Room**

**Those Present:** Cllr Szczesiak (Chair), Cllr Barnett, Cllr Coward, Cllr Henley, Cllr Jackson, Cllr Ransom, Cllr Reis, County Councillor Christine Crisp, A Maddox (Clerk)

1. **Apologies for absence:** None
2. **Minutes** of the Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2011 having been read were approved and signed.
3. **Minutes** of the Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2011 having been read were approved and signed.  
Cllr Szczesiak has informed the Village Hall about the Parish Councils decision. The event is still going ahead and will be self-funding.
4. **Register of Interest under the Parish Councils (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007** – None
5. **Receipt of public questions** – None
6. **Matters Arising**
  - a. **Hills/Landfill Liaison Meeting** – The next meeting is on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2011 so nothing to report. Cty Cllr Crisp to contact Jason Day at Wiltshire Council to try and secure a more reasonable response time than 6<sup>th</sup> October 2011 for the planning application by Hills. She has requested the planning application details be sent to the Clerk as only Cherhill and Lower Compton had received a hard copy. It is important that Compton Bassett have these as it is going to be impacting on their area. The Councillors will leaflet drop to the Villagers with pointers as a guide to legitimate objections. Cllr Ransom felt that it would be hard to object on technical grounds as there had been so much analysis provided. It would be better to object on the impact on the local community.
  - b. **Community Speedwatch**  
Two more volunteers had been found. The Clerk reported that she has provided Elizabeth Ngero (Wiltshire Police) with the three suggested locations and is waiting for the Risk Assessments to be completed. She sent an e-mail on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2011 asking for an update but has had no response.
  - c. **War Memorial**  
Cllr Coward has received a quote for the handrails (including fitting) of £650 plus VAT. This has been put on hold as there is not enough money in the budget. There is the possibility of securing a grant towards this cost which he is looking into.
  - d. **Telephone Box**  
Cllr Ransom had nothing to report. The Clerk informed the Councillors that the insurance details do not cover property damage.
  - e. **Village Broadband**

The Clerk reported that there may be a talk on Broadband by BT at a future Focus on Five meeting and would let Cllr Ransom know when this would be.

f. **Other Highway Matters**

The pothole at Goodenough Corner at the Bushton turning (Calne side) had not been filled. There is also subsidence in the road at this location.

The Pavement next to the Old School House had not been mended.

There are potholes in the vicinity of Street Farm.

The Clerk will report all these to Clarence.

7. **Planning Matters**

There were no objections to Planning Application 11/02800/FUL (Single Storey Room to 100 Acre Cottage).

8. **Correspondence Received**

22 <sup>nd</sup> July – RSPB	Invite – Stakeholder Workshop (email)	Forward to e-mailer's
22 <sup>nd</sup> July – Wilts Council (fell conifer trees 2 stacks cottage)	Planning Application N/11/02401/TCA (post)	Forward to Chair
25 <sup>th</sup> July – Hills	Minutes – Lower Compton Liaison Meeting (email)	Forward to e-mailer's
1 <sup>st</sup> August – WRHA	Newsletter – Affordable Homes (post)	To Note
3 <sup>rd</sup> August – RSPB	Agenda – Stakeholder Workshop (email)	Forward to e-mailer's
8 <sup>th</sup> August – Wilts Council	Metro Count Request Form (email)	To note and discuss
10 <sup>th</sup> August – Wilts Council	Pothole Work Completed – June (email)	To note and discuss
10 <sup>th</sup> August – WALC	Newsletter (post)	To note
10 <sup>th</sup> August – S Waite	Invoice (post)	Raise Cheque
12 <sup>th</sup> August – Wilts Council	Pothole Work Completed – July (e-mail)	To note and discuss
12 <sup>th</sup> August – Shirley Chappell	Focus on Five Meeting – Notice and Agenda (email)	Forward to e-mailer's and reply
12 <sup>th</sup> August – Wilts Council	Agenda for Calne Area Board (23 <sup>rd</sup> August) (email)	Forward to e-mailer's
12 <sup>th</sup> August – IAC	Internal Audit Evaluation Form (post)	Reply
12 <sup>th</sup> August – David Evans	Calne Community Campus consultation questionnaire (email)	Forward to Chair and reply
13 <sup>th</sup> August – Calne Area Board	Agenda & Minutes (post)	To note
15 <sup>th</sup> August – Alexa Smith, Wiltshire Council	Enquiry for booking Village Hall for Area Board Meeting on 14/8/12 (email)	Reply with Bookings details
16 <sup>th</sup> August – Jane Vaughan, Wilts Council	Metro Counts Results for Compton Bassett (email)	To discuss with Chair
16 <sup>th</sup> August – Elizabeth Ngero,	Next steps required for	To discuss with Chair and reply.

Community Speedwatch Coordinator, Wiltshire Police	Compton Bassett for Community Speedwatch (email)	Emailed E Ngero for update 19/9.
16 <sup>th</sup> August – Jane Vaughan, Wilts Council	Closure of Community Issue – passed to Community Speedwatch (email)	To note
17 <sup>th</sup> August - Wilts Council	Newsletter details – Volunteers keep Wiltshire Libraries open	To note
18 <sup>th</sup> August – Alan Blake	Help with CSW (email)	To discuss and reply
19 <sup>th</sup> August – Jane Vaughan	News from Calne CAN (email)	Forward to emailers
18 <sup>th</sup> August – Wilts Police	Emergency Services Show Flyers (post)	Pass on to Chair to display on noticeboards
18 <sup>th</sup> August – Wilts Police	New Phone Number (post)	Pass on to Chair to display on noticeboards (19/9)
19 <sup>th</sup> August – Mazaars	Invoice & Audit return (post)	Pay Invoice, Contact HMRC, display accounts
24 <sup>th</sup> August – Community First	Article on VAT and Parish Councils (email)	To note
25 <sup>th</sup> August – Shirley Chappell – Calne Town Council	Neighbourhood Plan News Flash (email)	Forward to emailers and discuss
27 <sup>th</sup> August – Historic Towns Forum	Newsletter (email)	Forward to emailers
31 <sup>st</sup> August – Wiltshire Council 100 Acre Cottage Single Storey Room	Planning Application 11/02800/FUL (post)	Forward to Chair
31 <sup>st</sup> August – Wiltshire Council	Waste & Recycling Collections Service Details (post)	Discuss at meeting
2 <sup>nd</sup> September – Hills	Non Technical Summary of Environmental Statement (email)	Forward to emailers and request printed copy to forward
3 <sup>rd</sup> September – Historic Towns Forum	Course Details – Social Media (email)	Forward to emailers
5 <sup>th</sup> September – Shirley Chappell	Focus on Five Minutes (email)	Forward to emailers
5 <sup>th</sup> September – Wiltshire Council	Letter regarding 11/02920/WCM (email)	Forward to emailers and contact for further details
6 <sup>th</sup> September – Alexa Smith, Wiltshire Council	Minutes for Calne Area Board 23/08/11 (email)	Forward to emailers
8 <sup>th</sup> September – Phil Bowley, Green Square Group	Creating a Westlea Vision (email)	Forward to Chair – put on agenda
8 <sup>th</sup> September – Hills	Lower Compton community liaison committee meeting 28/09/11 (email)	Forward to emailers
8 <sup>th</sup> September – Wiltshire Council	Senior Management Restructure at Wilts Council (email)	Forward to emailers
12 <sup>th</sup> September – Wiltshire Council	September Parish Newsletter (email)	Forward to emailers
13 <sup>th</sup> September – Wiltshire Council	Olympic Torch visiting Wiltshire meeting (email)	To note
16 <sup>th</sup> September – CCAP	Calne Community Area Partnership – AGM Invite 4 <sup>th</sup> October (email)	To discuss at meeting
WRHA	Annual Review 2011 & Sustainability Review 2011 (post)	To note/forward at meeting
16 <sup>th</sup> September – Wiltshire	Winter Leaflet (post)	Pass to Chair

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16 <sup>th</sup> September – WALC	September 2011 Newsletter & AGM Notice (post)	To note

Clerk to get more information on producing a Neighbourhood Plan. She will send Cllr Coward details .

Clerk to send a letter to James Gray mp objecting on behalf of the Parish Council about proposed changes to the planning laws proposed by the coalition and its impact on the community.

**9. Finance and Accounts**

- a. **Payment of Invoices** - The following invoices were approved for payment – Mazaars £60.00, Simon Waite £42.00, Clerk £269.04.
- b. **Precept** – A 2011/12 precept of £2870 was proposed by Cllr Szczesiak and seconded by Cllr Coward. This would mean an increase per household but it was agreed that having kept the precept low for the past few years there were no longer retained funds available. The increase per household would bring Compton Bassett in line with other Wiltshire villages which have a similar number of households.

10. **Clerks Contract of Employment** was signed by Cllr Szczesiak and the Clerk.

11. **Councillors observations and Items for the next meeting** – the Clerk read out an email from Phil Bowley of Green Square Group regarding creating a Westlea vision. He would like to come and discuss it with the Councillors, however they did not feel it was applicable at this time. Clerk to contact him to let him know.

12. **Date of next meeting** – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011

Meeting ended 8.55pm.