

**Minutes of the Meeting of Compton Bassett Parish Council
Held on Thursday 19 November 2020
At 7pm via Zoom due to the coronavirus situation**

Those Present: Cllr Szczesiak (PS), Cllr Marshall (JM) (Vice Chair), Cllr Waite (LW), Cllr Horseman (TH), Cllr Reis (CR), Cllr Barlow (JB), Cllr Barnett (PB), County Cllr Crisp (CC), D. Zeitzen (DZ) (Clerk),

3 members of the public attended

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence** None
- 2. Minutes** – The Minutes of the Meeting held 1st October 2020 were unanimously approved and signed by PS
Minutes circulated before the meeting
- 3. Declaration of Interest in items on the Agenda** None
- 4. Receipt of Public Questions-** None
- 5. Actions & Matters Arising :** Phonebox – LW phone box should be back in December, plans are being made to lay concrete base by volunteers as quote to lay base was very high. Restoration is being done slightly differently, the frames are being glazed with clear silicone, this will be a significant reduction in cost bringing the total cost of the project back to approx. £1,500. LW proposed the value for insurance purpose of the box needs to be raised from £1,000 to £5,000. This was unanimously agreed. **Action: LW to arrange laying of concrete base. DZ to contact insurers.**
White lining by Church JM to be discussed at CATG meeting on 26 November
Village archives No further update
Overgrown bush by bus shelter PS and LW will get this done, also looking to refurbish bus shelter. Anyone interested in helping please contact PS or LW
Parish steward visits PB new steward Michael has started carrying out some work in the village working on potholes, clearing pavements and strimming, next visit 25 Nov. Any tasks please contact PB
Wheelie bin stickers LW said all stickers have been circulated but some households had still not received any, he proposed another 50 should be purchased. This was unanimously agreed. **Action: DZ to order stickers**
Woodland Trust Trees JM there has been a small amount of interest in the village and Buttle Farm would like 200 trees.
Tree guards for hornbeam trees at war memorial CR has purchased the 4 guards.
Action: CR and LW will arrange to install the guards. CR will arrange for invoice to be raised to parish council
- 6. Planning-**
Hills - 16/05708/WCM Extraction and conveyor belt and Footpath and bridleway diversion order Objection from Compton Bassett Parish Council – ongoing. No news and no date for committee meeting.

20/06130/FUL The Freeth Full planning. Change of use of agricultural buildings (including partial reinstatement) to ancillary residential use associated with The Freeth, including a residential annex. Change of use of land from agricultural to residential, ancillary to The Freeth, application partially retrospective Comments by 9 September. No comments from parish council. Planning approved

20/07898/LBC Rosemary Cottage 31 Compton Bassett Removal of existing conservatory and alterations to existing single storey extension. New first floor extension on top of rear extension. New single storey orangery to rear elevation. Adjustment to existing platform. New storm porch to the side elevation. Alterations

to front garden to accommodate turning area for car. Comments by 4 Nov 2020
Decision pending

20/08499/LBC Manor Farm, Compton Bassett Instalment of Salise Personnel Lift
comments by 20.11.20 No comments

Traffic mirrors opposite track to Breach House Wiltshire Council investigating

20/0071/ENF 52 Compton Bassett Possible unauthorised erection of fence – fence
now removed

20/10221/TCA 47 Compton Bassett 30% Crown reduction to 2 yew trees –
comments by 10 Dec – No comments

7. Finance and Accounts, Budget and Precept

Bank statement and Income & Expenditure £11,767.16 as at 18 Nov

Unanimously agreed.

Internal Auditor 2020/21 Unanimously agreed to use Anne Duffield as previous
years.

Invoices Clerks salary £221.80, WALC website accessibility course £36.00, Kennet
Print newsletters £40.00 , 2020 Highway Consultants £2,520.00

All except 2020 Highway Consultants unanimously approved. JM said more help
needed in taking recommendations forward. PS proposed only 75% of 2020
Highway Consultants invoice should be paid at this stage. This was unanimously
agreed.

BACs payments to be set up by LW and released by JM

Precept PS, JM and DZ had earlier meeting to discuss budget and proposed
precept. PS proposed the precept should be set at £6,000 an increase of £1,000
on last year to take into account possible traffic management and calming
solutions. This was unanimously agreed. PS said a possible referendum will need
to be held in the future in the village over traffic management solutions

Documents item 7 emailed to councillors before meeting

8. Traffic Calming/Green Lane On going PS We are looking for funding for a
SID for the village, approx. £4000 - £5000. **Action:** JM to look into siting, JB
and LW will look at SID specs.

9. Correspondence – Various coronavirus updates - Noted
Wiltshire Council – council tax setting timetable & fact sheet - Noted
Waste bin at play park Briar Leaze JM has contacted Streetscene who were very
helpful. It would cost £250 to install a new bin, JM proposed moving bin by
village hall to play park. This was unanimously approved. **Action:** JM will liaise
with Streetscene
Wiltshire Council White paper planning for the future government consultation –
Noted
Drainage issues Rectory Corner -hopefully sorted JM to investigate
Damage to bollard and verge by war memorial – Clerk has written to ask for
Compensation but no response **Action:** Clerk to chase
Blocked footpath- This has now been cleared
Operational flood working group news - Noted
6 month rule for by elections - Noted
Electoral register application – Completed
Hills Liaison Committee – Meeting held yesterday

10. Website LW going forward the parish council need a stand alone website linked
to the village website to meet website accessibility regulations. There are
several options going forward which would also include parish council email
addresses for all councillors. Adrian Elmer has reserved a domain. PS proposed

the parish council have a new website and email addresses, this was unanimously approved. **Action:** LW will write a draft policy on website and email addresses for approval before any further decisions are made

11.Policies – Co-option, Training, Financial, Planning PS proposed the policies should be adopted. Unanimously approved. **Action:** DZ to add to handbook Policies previously circulated

12.Communications None

13.NHP Review No update

14.Wildlife in Village JM would like to see hedgehog highways in the village. JM Proposed contact Wiltshire Wildlife Trust to see what can be done to help wildlife in the village. Unanimously agreed. **Action:** JM will liaise with JB who will contact Wiltshire Wildlife Trust

15.Light Pollution JM concerned about increasing light pollution in the village. JM will produce an article for next villages magazine and next village newsletter.

16.Gigaclear CR feels the service provides no future proofing and this will make it difficult to access extra lines in the future.

17.Councillors Observations CR concerned about number of accidents on Bushton crossroads, JM will contact Hilmarton Parish Council to suggest working together on this as the crossroads come under Hilmarton Parish

Date of next meeting: Thurs 14th January 2021 at 7pm