



COMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of **THE ANNUAL MEETING** of Compton Parish Council held on
Wednesday 18th May 2022 at 7.00pm
for the transaction of the under mentioned business.

Present: Cllrs A Burtenshaw, S Mallet, J Palca, J Saunders, C Sharples
3 representatives from Robertsons Nursing Home
1 member of the public
In attendance: The Clerk, Mrs J Cadman

Public session.

1. *Robertson's Nursing Home:* representatives from the company attended the meeting to advise of their new plans for a revised capacity of a 52 bed nursing home. Members agreed that there were issues over traffic and parking, the siting of the new building, and how people would access the site, as it is on a dangerous road.
 2. *Hedge at Spiceall:* Cllr Sharples advised that he had spoken to the contractor, who will not cut the hedge during the nesting season. However, Mr Knight had said that he would manually cut the top of the hedge in the next two weeks and then do a more thorough cut at the end of the nesting season. Thanks were recorded to Cllr Sharples.
- 043/22 **Election of Chairman:** Cllr Mallet. Proposed by Cllr Burtenshaw, Seconded by Cllr Saunders, all in favour. Cllr Mallet signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office,
- 044/22 **Apologies for Absence:** All members were present.
- 045/22 **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Burtenshaw and Cllr Sharples both declared a pecuniary interest in Watts Gallery, as employees.
- 046/22 **Election of Vice Chairman:** Cllr Saunders. Proposed by Cllr Burtenshaw, Seconded by Cllr Mallet, all in favour.
- 047/22 **Appointment of Member's responsibilities:**
- *Local Plan:* Mrs Stephens and Mrs Curtis
 - *Highways:* Cllrs Saunders and Sharples
 - *Allotments:* Cllr Sharples
 - *Youth and Recreation:* Cllr Saunders
 - *Watts Gallery:* Cllr Burtenshaw
 - *Cemetery:* to be separated from the Gallery
- 048/22 **Dates of future meetings:** members reviewed and agreed the current meeting date structure of bi-monthly meetings from January, with the Annual Parish Meeting in April.
- 049/22 **Minutes of Meeting held 16th March 2022:** were approved as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

- 050/22 **Matters Arising:**
- a) *Housing needs survey:* report deferred
 - b) *Annual Parish Meeting:* Members agreed that it had been a good evening, and the reports had been well received. It was agreed to increase advertising next year, possibly by using banners, at the village hall and Gallery.
 - c) *029/22:* 30mph sign in Priorsfield Road: our SCC Councillor has received a reminder.
- 051/22 **Reports from County Cllr:**
No report had been received
- 052/22 **Report from Borough Cllrs:**
No report had been received.
- 053/22 **Report on police and crime statistics:**
No report was tabled.
- 054/22 **Members Report: local Plan:**
the report was tabled and noted, with thanks to Mrs Stephens as always.
- 055/22 **Members Report: Highways:**
- a) *Traffic calming working party:* members noted that an update was awaited from Cllr Furniss. Cllr Saunders would ask him for a report.
 - b) *A3:* Cllr Burtenshaw reported that the signage on the part of the A3 nearest the Gallery is in a poor state of repair.
- 056/22 **Members Report: Allotments and Environment**
- a) ***Trees overhanging the allotments:*** Cllr Sharples has spoken to the new residents and these have been dealt with.
- 057/22 **Members Report: youth and recreation**
- a) *Play equipment:* Cllr Saunders will ask local people what they would like to see and then a steering committee will be formed to take this forward. The Clerk will ask other Clerks for details of play equipment companies they have used.
- 058/22 **Members Report: Watts Gallery and Cemetery:**
The Gallery report was tabled and was noted.
Cllr Burtenshaw reported that the triangle of grass in front of the pond needs attention. Members discussed the possibility of installing a bus shelter at this location and agreed to a site visit before obtaining quotations.
- 059/22 **Members Report: Planning:**
The current list of applications was noted.
Robertson's Nursing Home: a group of local people engaged a planning advisor at the time of the last application and had objected to the application. Concerns from members were as follows:
- i. The new application was for a development of more than double the current internal floor space. This would make the building overpowering to immediate neighbours because of its new location.
 - ii. It would be very difficult to access the site without a car, due to the lack of pavements and danger of the road at this point.

060/22 **Members Report: Village Hall**

Minutes of recent meeting were noted.

061/22 **Platinum Jubilee:** Cllr Saunders reported as follows:

- The party will take place on the 5th June, from 12pm to 4pm: a Picnic on the Green.
- The event will be advertised from this coming weekend with flyers and in the newsletter.
- The Club will provide a drinks tent and open the bar in the Club
- An ice cream van will provide free ice cream
- There will be a band – probably 3 to 4 acts.
- Watts will give away plaques, made during an Arts and Crafts activity.
- There will be gazebos for poor weather
- The phone box will be decorated.

Members noted that this event would be run jointly between the Parish Council, the Club and the Village Association.

Members noted that Nick Wyshna had sourced the entertainment. Thanks were recorded to him and to Cllr Saunders for all their work on this very special event.

062/22 **Parish Climate Action initiative:** Cllr Mallet reported as follows:

This initiative is promoted by Zero Carbon Guildford and aims towards a carbon neutral Guildford by 2030. They would like ideas to come forward at a parish level.

Members agreed that this Parish Council should promote the initiative and co-ordinate with the Gallery.

Agenda item: July meeting.

063/22 **Finance**

- a) Schedule of income and payments to end of financial year: noted and agreed.
- b) *Management report to end March 2022:* noted and agreed
- c) *Standing orders:* members reviewed and approved the Council's Standing Orders.
- d) *Financial Regulations:* members reviewed and approved the Council's Financial regulations.
- e) *Internal Audit:* took place on the 17th May : an Extraordinary Council meeting was agreed for the 15th June to review the report and approve the AGAR.

064/22 **Councillors Business:** *any further business arising from the meeting, to be noted or dealt with on a future agenda*

- a) *Village fete:* this had been a lovely and very successful occasion. Thanks were recorded to all those involved in making it such a good day.
- b) *Grave at Cemetery:* the Clerk would meet with Cllr Sharples to identify the grave and its owners.
- c) *Down Lane:* traffic calming in Down Lane will be added to the agenda for the Traffic Calming Group.

065/22 **Correspondence:**

- a) *Letter of thanks from Kent Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance for the recent grant of £250*

b) *Letter of thanks from Rev. Hubbard for the grant for the northern door project at St Nicholas church*

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Dates of meetings:

Extraordinary meeting: 15th June, 7pm, Pucks Oak Barn

Parish Council meeting: 20th July, 7pm, Pucks Oak Barn

The meeting closed at 20.51.