

Minutes of a Meeting of Compton Bassett Parish Council
Held on Thursday 17th November 2011 at 7.30pm
At Compton Bassett Village Hall Meeting Room

Those Present: Cllr Szczesiak (Chair), Cllr Barnett, Cllr Jackson, Cllr Ransom, Cllr Reis, County Councillor Christine Crisp, A Maddox (Clerk), Emma Dowie (Wiltshire Good Neighbours), Charles Reis, Peter Alberry

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr Coward to be late due to work commitments.
2. **Minutes** of the Meeting held on 22nd September 2011 having been read were approved and signed.
3. **Minutes** of the Meeting held on 26th October 2011 having been read were approved and signed.
4. **Register of Interest** under the Parish Councils (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007 – Cllr Barnett registered an interest in item 7 – Planning Application 11/03472

7.36 Cllr Henley arrived.

Emma Dowie gave a presentation on the Wiltshire Good Neighbours Scheme and left leaflets and contact details. She then left the meeting.

5. **Receipt of public questions** – None
6. **Matters Arising**
 - a. **Hills/Landfill Liaison Meeting** - Peter Alberry discussed his findings of the Hills Expansion Plans (planning application 11/02920). The current MRF deals with 36,000 Tonnes and had a lorry movement in 2010 of 57,000. The extended MRF would be capable of dealing with 255,000 Tonnes and Hills are stating that the lorry movement would be 54,000 (an increase of 10% based on 49,000). Therefore the calculation of the lorry movements in relation to the size of the new facility does not tie up. The size of the new MRF would be able to take the amount of recycling waste similar to the size of Wales and Scotland combined. He has looked at around 100 similar facilities and an average MRF deals with 35,000 tonnes. There is a similar sized plant to the proposed extended one in Birmingham which was described as “colossal” and therefore of regional and national importance and had to be close to waste and excellent strategic transport routes. The A4 as a local hgv route is not classed as strategic.

7.47 Cllr Coward arrived.

The Lower Compton site was also strategically in the wrong location as places such as Trowbridge and Swindon were too far. More strategically placed alternative sites should be considered by Hills such as those at Stanton St Quinton or Westbury.

The poor local air quality has already shown a significant 10% increase not helped by the 47% of hgv's already going through Calne which are for the Hills site.

There will be no benefit to the local economy or community.

This application would be permanent and Hills had promised a return of the Lower Compton site to a greenfield site by 2022. This application would not allow this.

8.02pm Peter Alberry left.

25th November 2011 is the date the consultation period ends so the Parish Council must send in their objections by then. Cllr Reis said individual letters were also important. Cllr Crisp added that she would like to see the points raised. Cllr Coward will put together the objections and email them to the Clerk who will forward them to Jason Day.

Charles Reis explained that a local group had been set up to work against this planning application and have taken professional advice due to the fact that the size of the facility is strategic and will be a permanent industrial site which goes against all the promises made by Hills that it would be reverted back to a greenfield site by 2022. Cllr Crisp also stated that the contract with Wiltshire Council would be renegotiated in 2016 and the building would still be there if they were not successful so Hills could go out to tender around the country. Cllr Henley said that it was only a brownfield site now because the current MRF made it that and it should be reverted back to greenfield.

b. Community Speedwatch

Four people have now been trained. There is further training available in Lyneham on the 23rd November. Clerk to request speedwatch signs and to suggest another site opposite 20 Compton Bassett. Clerk to contact Geoff Proctor (Hilmarton Haggis group) as she has been unable to contact Mel Wilkins (Hilmarton Speedwatch Coordinator) to arrange use of the speedwatch equipment.

c. War Memorial

Cllr Reis requested that the handrails be put up soon as it was very difficult for certain people to reach the site on Remembrance Sunday. Cllr Coward has had a quote from John Bodmin of £650 plus vat. To apply for a grant at least two quotes are required and the work cannot be done prior to that. Cllr Szczesiak suggested using the Compton Bassett village website to help with raising funds.

d. Telephone Box

There are insufficient funds to continue with this at the moment.

e. **Village Broadband**

This topic is to be discussed at a future Focus on Five meeting which Cllr Ransom will attend.

f. **Other Highway Matters**

The pothole at Goodenough Corner at the Highway turning (Calne side) had not been filled. There is also subsidence in the road at this location. This is still not done so Clerk will report again.

The Pavement next to the Old School House has been mended.

The potholes in the vicinity of Street Farm are ongoing.

7. **Planning Matters**

Planning Application 11/03160 – The Erection of a Lean-To at Compton Bassett Park looked like it was already going ahead. Cllr Crisp said that it was not an offence just a risk to go ahead without planning permission. The original plans for the first building (planning application 11/01799) had not been sent to Compton Bassett Parish Council as they had gone to Calne without and Cherhill. Cllr Ransom felt that a point needed to be made about where plans are going to. Also Cllr Sczcesiak wanted to raise the point that if the case officer is off someone should be able to cover. Clerk to write to Wiltshire Council to raise these two points.

Planning Application 11/03112 – Felling of two yew trees at 47 Compton Bassett – The Clerk read out a letter from Wiltshire Council which said that they were in contact with the applicant to try and sort out a better solution than felling the trees.

Planning Application 11/03553 – Extension of Operating Hours, Low Lane, Lower Compton – Clerk to find previous letter raised when the operating hours were increased in 2009 and objections will be put in similar to this. The Clerk will forward a copy of the letter to Cllr Ransom.

Planning Applications 11/03472; 11/03341; 11/03371 – No objections or comments made.

8. **Correspondence Received up to 17th November 2011**

24/9/11- S Waite	Invoice (post)	Raise Cheque
27/9/11 – Shirley Yeo – Wilts Council	Olympic Torch Relay Meeting Invite, 6 th Oct (email)	Forward to Chair
27/9/11 – Wiltshire Council	Planning App N/11/02920/WCM Hills Waste Recovery Facility (post)	Pass to Chair
27/9/11 – Jayne Vaughan, Wilts Council	Invite to meeting re combining Parish Steward and Streetscene Operatives, 17 th Oct (email)	Forward to Chair
30/9/11 – Derek Francis, War Memorial Trust Volunteer	Requesting location of War Memorial (email)	Reply
3/10/11 – Jane Scott, Wilts Council	Olympic Torch Relay Meeting Reschedule (email)	Forward to Chair

6/10/11 – Derek Francis, War Memorial Trust Volunteer	Requesting details of grant for hand rails (email)	Forward to Cllr Coward. Replied.
6/10/11 – Phil Bowley, Green Square Group	Compton Bassett Aspirations – chasing up(email)	Replied. Not applicable at the moment.
7/10/11 – Alexa Smith, Wilts Council	Calne Area Board Agenda, 18 th Oct (email)	Forward to emailers
10/10/11 – Monique Hayes, Hills	Lower Compton Liaison, Old Naafi Site, 22 nd Oct (email)	Forward to emailers
10/10/11 – Elizabeth Ngero, Community Speedwatch	Update (email)	Wait for risk assessments
10/10/11 – Susan Tabor	Oil Buying – Electronic Leaflets (email)	Forward to emailers
10/10/11 – Financial Planning, Wilts Council	Precept Fact Sheet (email)	For Information
11/10/11 – Carmel Ferguson	The Allotments Regeneration Initiative (email)	Forward to Chair. N/A
10/10/11 – Lloyds Bank	Bank Statement (post)	To file
10/10/11 – Wiltshire Council	Planning App N/11/03160/FUL Agricultural Lean to, Compton Bassett Park (post)	Pass to Chair. Objected. Original plans 11/01779/FUL sent to Calne without and Cherhill
13/10/11 – Shirley Chappell	Reply to my request for Neighbourhood Plan (NP) talk at Focus on Five Meeting (email)	To note.
13/10/11 – Brad Fleet (WC)	Reply to my request for NP information (email)	To note that Adrian Cunningham is the contact.
14/10/11 – Wilts Council	Newsletter (email)	To note
14/10/11 – E. Read WALC	Reply to my request for NP information (email)	To note
14/10/11 – James Gray MP	Reply to letter sent (post)	To forward
18/10/11 – Simon Day, WC	Lists of Planning Apps (email)	To note
18/10/11 – Richard Ayles, Parish Councillor, Calne Without	Petition and Poster of Public Meeting for Hills Planning Application (email)	Forward to emailers
17/10/11 – Wilts Council	Planning App N/11/03112/TCA Felling Trees (post)	Pass to Chair. Sent message requesting felling.
18/10/11 – Richard Ayles (calne without pc)	Copying me in on arranging meeting re Hills App prior to public meeting on 3/11 (email)	To note
19/10/11 – Jane Page (Yatesbury pc)	Copying me in on arranging a FOF meeting with Ed Jones (chair) (email)	To note
19/10/11 – E. Ngero, Comm Speedwatch	Risk Assessments and possible dates (email)	Forward to emailers. Cant do those dates. Replied.
20/10/11 – Alan Blake, Police	War Memorial too risky (email)	To note
20/10/11 – Jane Page (Yatesbury pc)	Request to join meeting re Hills on 26/10 (email)	Forwarded to emailers. Confirmed a good idea.
21/10/11 – Barbara Raven (Cherhill pc)	FOF meeting invite 2/11 (email)	Forwarded to emailers. Confirmed attendance.
21/10/11 – Geoff Turner (Calne without pc)	FOF meeting invite 2/11. Confirm attendance by 31/10	Forwarded to emailers. Discuss at meeting on 26/10
24/10/11 – Lisa Price, Wilts Council	Planning App N/11/03112/TCA Felling Trees - trying to arrange felling (email)	Forward to emailers.
25/10/11 – Monique Hayes,	Minutes – Lower Compton	Forward to emailers

Hills	Liaison Meeting 28/9 (email)	
24/10/11 – Wilts Council	Planning App N/11/03371/FUL 47A The Old Post Office (post)	Pass to Chair
27/10/11 – Daryl Saville- Brown, Deputy Town Clerk, Calne	Request to attend meeting at JBS at 7pm on 3/11/11 (email)	Forward to emailers
28/10/11 – E Ngero	Suggesting 9/11/11 as training date at 6pm (email)	Suggest date to emailers
31/10/11 – F Gregory, Wilts Council	Highways and Streetscene Services Contact Details (email)	To note
31/10/11 – Alexa Smith, Wilts Council	Minutes for Calne Area Board, 18/10/11 (email)	Forward to emailers
3/11/11 – John Nelson, War Memorials Trust	Introducing himself as Regional Volunteer (email)	Forward to Cllr Coward
9/11/11 – Wiltshire Council	Precept Form (email)	To fill in and Chair to sign
10/11/11 – Jacquie Henly (Hilmarton Parish Council)	Reply to my email regarding sharing CSW equipment (email)	She has forwarded request to Mel Wilkins
10/11/11 – Elizabeth Ngero (CSW)	Informing other users that Compton Bassett is part of CSW scheme. Form to be filled (email)	To Note and wait for Hilmarton to reply
10/11/11 – Elizabeth Ngero	Online Tutorial for filling in Excel Sheets and Training Dates (email)	To do and note training dates. Replied to Elizabeth asking when Lyneham training is. Replied it is 23/11 6-8pm
11/11/11 – David Evans	Calne Campus – 2 nd Consultation Due Soon (email)	To note
11/11/11 – Wiltshire Council	Parish Newsletter Nov 11 (email)	Forward to emailers
11/11/11 – WALC	Newsletter (email)	To read
14/11/11 – Pam Denton, Wilts Council	Agenda for Northern Area Planning Committee (email)	Forward to emailers
14/11/11 – Tom Mooney, G&H	Request for Cllr details re Hills expansion (email)	Gave details
16/11/11 – Esther Reeve, Calne Town Council	Focus on Five Minutes and date of next meeting (email)	To note and forward to emailers

Neighbourhood Plan - Cllr Reis asked if there was a timescale for this. Cllr Crisp explained that the new Core Strategy and Localism Bill come in next year so Neighbourhood Plans need to be done by the middle of 2012. Cllr Coward has a copy of Broad Hinton's Neighbourhood Plan as an example. Cllr Coward will attend the Neighbourhood Plan presentation at the Focus on Five meeting on 30th November 2011.

9. Finance and Accounts

The Precept form was filled in as agreed at the previous meeting and signed by the Chair and Clerk. Clerk to send to Wiltshire Council.

Payment of Invoices - The following invoices were approved for payment
Simon Waite £42.00, Clerk £267.19.

10. Councillors observations and Items for the next meeting

Cllr Henley suggested that the oak tree by the bus shelter needed a bigger guard. Cllr Reis to look into.

Date of next meeting Thursday 19th January 2012.

Meeting ended 9.04pm