

# Compton Bishop Parish Council

Minutes for the meeting held on

10th March 2021 at 7.30 pm via Zoom

Due to unforeseen circumstances the representative from the Llama trekking business in Rackley was unable to attend the meeting.

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

County Councillor B Filmer

Parish Clerk S Diaz

The meeting commenced at 7.35pm

- 21/3A To receive any apologies for non-attendance  
District Councillor G Godwin-Pearson sent his apologies.
- 21/3B To receive declarations of interest  
Councillor B Filmer declared an interest in item 21/3F.
- 21/3C To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021 previously circulated.  
It was resolved to approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021.
- 21/3D Clerk's report  
This was sent prior to the meeting.  
  
The Chairman moved item 21/3N to the next item on the agenda before 21/3E.
- 21/3E To approve the bank statement and budget and the following payments  
It was unanimously resolved to approve the bank, statement, budget and the following payments.

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
28.2.21	S Diaz	Expenses and Health and Safety items	£119.80
12.2.21	Sedgemoor District Council	Staff costs March by DD	£392.28

Councillor Filmer left the meeting at 7.42pm



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21/3F Planning applications

Planning Application Number	Proposal	Location:
17/20/00088	Approval of the details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of up to 67 dwellings and associated infrastructure.	Land To The North Of, Helliars Lane, Cheddar, Somerset, BS27  <b>It was resolved to object to this application.</b>
21/20/00003 Planning appeal	Development of a gas-powered energy generation facility and associated infrastructure for a temporary period of 25 years.	Land To The South West Of, Townsend Farm, Prowses Lane, Townsend, Axbridge, Somerset, BS26  <b>It was resolved to object to the planning appeal.</b>
21/21/00002	Proposed single storey side (East) & rear (South) extension on site of existing garage, study and conservatory to be demolished, with the addition of a new front (North) porch	Harvest Gate, Old Coach Road, Cross, Axbridge, Somerset, BS26 2EQ  <b>It was resolved to make no comment on this application</b>
21/21/00003	Erection of a detached garage, partly on the footprint of the existing garage (to be demolished)	Summerfield Cottage, Webbington Road, Compton Bishop, Axbridge, Somerset, BS26 2ER  <b>It was resolved to make no comment on this application.</b>

The Council were informed of minor alterations to application 17/18/00053. It was noted that the Council agreed to object to this application for the same reasons stated in the previous responses.

Full details can be found on these applications on the Sedgemoor District Council Planning portal.


Councillor Filmer re-joined the meeting at 7.57pm.

21/3G Planning Decisions Update  
The decisions were noted.

Planning application number	Location	Decision
21/20/00026	Dunnett Cottage, Rackley Lane, Compton Bishop, Axbridge, Somerset, BS26 2HJ	Agreed
21/20/00025	Prospect Cottage, Webbington Road, Compton Bishop, Axbridge, Somerset, BS26 2EU	Awaiting decision
17/20/00088	Land To The North Of, Helliars Lane, Cheddar, Somerset, BS27	Awaiting decision
17/20/00064	Land At, Steart Bushes, Wedmore Road, Cheddar, Somerset, BS27	Awaiting decision
21/20/00022	Old Manor House, Cross Lane, Axbridge, Somerset, BS26 2ED	Awaiting decision

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17/18/00073	Land to the North of, Axbridge Road, Cheddar, Somerset, BS27	Awaiting decision
21/3H	To consider asking for further details on the Llama Trekking business in Compton Bishop. It was agreed to ask the owners for further information on the Llama Trekking business in Rackley.	
21/3I	To consider a solution to dog owners leaving dog waste in bags in the Parish and not using the bins available. It was resolved that the Parish Council would agree to the recommendations from Clean Surroundings to purchase and install a new litter bin at the Webbington Road layby and temporary bin at the Rackley Lane layby.	
21/3J	To consider the return of face-to-face Parish Council Meetings and the safety requirements needed. It was agreed that all Councillors are happy to return to the Village Hall for face-to-face meetings once allowed. The clerk will liaise with the Village Hall to discuss room layout and establish how many people the hall will accommodate under socially distanced circumstances.	
21/3K	To consider the IT provision of the Parish Council No reports provided on IT provision and this item will be removed from the agenda.	
21/3L	To consider a date for the Annual Parish Meeting It was resolved that the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on 14 <sup>th</sup> April at 7.15pm prior to the next Parish Council Meeting. A community event will be held later in the year.	
21/3M	To consider making an application for Save the Oaks and where to place them. It was agreed to make an application and the Councillors will provide their recommendations by 17 <sup>th</sup> March.	
21/3N	To consider purchase litter picking equipment for the maintenance group volunteers. It was resolved to approve the purchase of litter picking equipment for the maintenance group workers.	
21/3O	To consider the date of the Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council meeting. It was resolved to hold the Annual Parish meeting on 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2021 and the Annual Parish Council Meeting on 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2021.	
21/3P	To consider the purchase of 24 verge protectors at a cost of £156.00. It was resolved to approve the purchase of 24 verge protectors at a cost of £156.00.	
21/3Q	To consider the addition of a public footpath finger post sign on Prowse Lane. It was agreed to write to Axbridge Town Council to ask them to a public finger post sign on Prowse Lane.	
21/3R	To consider the addition of a public footpath finger post sign on AX 15/1 on Barton Road. It was resolved to ask C East from Somerset County Council for the finger post. After further investigation this was no longer required.	

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- 21/3S To consider a design for the Cross Lane Village sign.  
It was resolved to ask residents via the website and the link for their suggestions and to email their ideas to the clerk. They will be presented at the Community event later in the year.
- 21/3T Councillor Reports  
Councillor Parker asked if a letter could be sent to Thatcher's following up on dates to notify residents of spraying in the orchard and to advise of the chemicals used. The clerk will write to Axbridge Town Council to ask for results of their survey regarding the upgrade of the footpath AX122/AX14/14.  
  
Councillor McCarthy sent her report prior to the meeting.  
  
Councillor Filmer reported that numbers are falling in the County of Corona virus cases and the vaccine programme is running well. Over 200,000 vaccines have been given. County has set the budget, the rise in Council tax will be 4.99%, 2% for County and 2.99% for social care. £400,000 has been budgeted to Citizen Advice.  
  
The Unitary debate continues, and the consultation is until April. Parish and Town Councils have not been consulted and they are encouraged to do so. County elections have been deferred until next year.  
  
Councillor Lane is applying to Hinkley Point for a grant, evidence will be required for match funding. The clerk will provide feedback on funds available for this after the year end.
- 21/3U Items for the next Agenda-the Unitary/Stronger Somerset/Contact Magazine grant application

Next Parish Council Meeting 14th April 2021 at 7.30pm, Annual Parish Council Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 7.15pm

The meeting ended at 8.55pm

End of minutes

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