

THE COMPTONS, TOLLER & WYNFORD PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Annual Parish Assembly and Parish Council Meeting
Held on Thursday 9th May 2019 at Compton Valence Village Hall

Present:

Roger Simpson Chairman
Ashley Stewart Vice-Chairman
John Wynford
Jeremy Russell
Adrian Cooper
Timothy Keeping
Charles Sclater

MINUTES
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
Thursday 9th May 2019
Compton Valence Village Hall

1. **Welcome** Chairman Roger Simpson welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Apologies** No apologies as all present.
3. **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting 3rd May 2018** Minutes approved
4. **Matters arising for information only** No matters were put forward.
5. **Election of Chairman** Charles Sclater was elected as Chairman of the Parish Council and accepted his role and signed Acceptance of Office
6. **Election of Vice-Chairman** Adrian Cooper was elected as Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council and accepted his office and signed Acceptance of Office.
7. All councillors accepted their roles as Councillors for the Parish Council and signed the Acceptance of Office.
8. **County Councillor's Report** No report received.
9. **District Councillor's Report** No report received.
10. **Chairman's Report – Outgoing Chairman Roger Simpson** read his annual report (full copy attached). A principal concern was that more responsibility was being put on Parish Councils without clear definition of what is the scope of that responsibility or power of PC to act as needed and how PC may use precept and where responsibility lies with regard to said use. It also included Roger bringing the meeting up to date with regard to ongoing cooperation with neighbouring PC at Frampton and its ongoing efforts with the clearing of (former?) travellers' site (email also attached). After consideration, the current clerk, Katherine Jones, is to stay.
11. **AOB** The Meeting received a visit from **Tony Alford**, the newly elected (2nd May 2019) **Dorset Councillor** under the new system of local government re-organisation. Cllr Alford asked what were principal concerns of local area, mentioning potholes, planning and local bus transport in particular. Concerns were raised with Councillor Alford with regard to ongoing existence of CTWPC in terms of number of councillors (currently 7), use of existing finances and the extent of responsibility of PC for local area and of how council may use precept. Cllr Alford said would investigate. Outgoing Chairman Roger Simpson thanked Councillor Alford for his visit and interest.

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MINUTES

1. **Apologies-** No apologies for absence
2. **Declarations of Interest and Grants of Dispensation:** None.
3. **Approve minutes of parish council meeting on 21st February 2019 and extraordinary general meeting on 1st May 2019.** Minutes approved.
4. **Matters arising for information only.** No matters arising.
5. **Planning Applications**
6. **Correspondence previously circulated.** No correspondence of interest was presented.
7. **Ongoing issues:** With regard to website maintenance, Serif will soon cease to support websites. It was requested by Clerk that a member of the Parish Council would be able to find another host as soon as possible.
8. **Update Parish Plan**
Clarification must be sought as to precise (financial, in particular) responsibilities of CWTPC. Currently not clear as to how PC may spend precept. Funds privately spent with regard to verge cutting, hedge trimming, etc., on behalf of PC, but query if invoices should be presented to Dorset Council with regard to recouping costs.
9. **Finances – to approve payments and approve Annual Return**

Compton Valence Hall Hire	20.00
Clerk Wages	280.34

Payments approved

Finances continued: the new parish clerk, Katherine Jones, until the date of the above meeting had been unable to obtain up-to-date bank statements (from 18th October 2018) and therefore was unable to carry out the necessary bank reconciliation to 31st March 2019 or to request the necessary internal audit to confirm amounts spent/received. Requests have been sent into Lloyds bank and as soon as necessary bank account information is available and an internal audit is carried out, it is intended that Comptons, Toller and Wynford Parish Council will hold a brief extraordinary general meeting to ratify the above. Date of meeting to be advised.

Meetings for year 2019-2020

Thursday 5th September 2019
Thursday 14th November 2019
Thursday 23rd January 2020
Thursday 7th May 2020