



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting

Held on Monday 3rd February 2025 in the Wilkins Centre, Compton. Commencing at 7:01 pm.

Members Present: Councillor Rebecca Pinfold, Deputy Chair
Councillor Jude Cunningham
Councillor Linda Moss
Councillor Alison Strong
Councillor Sharon Tiller
Councillor Ian Tong

Members Absent: Councillor Dave Aldis, Chair

Officers Present: Sarah Marshman, Clerk/RFO

In Attendance: Carolyne Culver, District Councillor
1 Member of the Public

Minutes

24/156 To receive, and consider for acceptance, apologies for absence from Members of the Council

Resolved: To accept apologies from Councillor Dave Aldis for the reasons provided to the council.

24/157 To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Registerable Interests or Non-Registerable Interests and to consider any requests for dispensation from Members declaring a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

**24/158 To receive:
Questions or comments from members of the public regarding items on the agenda
Representations from any member who has declared an Other Registerable Interest or a Non-Registerable Interest**

There were no questions, comments or representations.

24/159 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 13th January 2025
Resolved: Members agreed the minutes of the last meeting be accepted as a true record. The Chair signed the minutes.

24/160 To discuss any matters arising from the previous meeting
There were no matters arising.

24/161 To receive a report from the District Councillor
The pop-up library has been well attended. A representative from WBC would like to attend the next meeting to discuss the library further.

24/162 To review the minutes and recommendations from the following committees:

Committee	Date	Minute Numbers	Recommendations to Full Council
Planning	None		
Personnel	None		

24/163 To receive an update and review recommendations from the following working parties:
Digital – Currently working on accessing the data from the SID.

24/164 Planning Applications:

24/164.1 To consider the following new planning applications:

24/02809/FULMAJ Baxter Healthcare Ltd, Wallingford Road, Compton, RG20 7QW - Demolition of existing building and erection of 40 x residential units with associated landscaping, parking, drainage, open space and other associated works.

Resolved: To object to the application and submit the documentation provided by the planning consultant regarding this. The Clerk will also submit a comment regarding the lack of broadband availability.

In the discussion of the above application, it was established that planning conditions 30 and 31 for planning application 20/01336/OUTMAJ are recorded incorrectly in the decision notice in comparison with the minutes of the Western Area Planning Committee. The Clerk will contact the District Councillor regarding this matter.

25/00114/HOUSE Cedar Bungalow, Wallingford Road, Compton, RG20 6PS - Single storey rear extension

Resolved: To submit a response of no objections, but to also highlight there is no reference to the risk of groundwater flooding in the application.

- 24/164.2 To consider whether to request the District Councillor calls in any planning applications to the Western Area Planning Committee**
There were no applications requiring call-in. The council agreed it would have requested a call-in for application 24/02809/FULMAJ Baxter Healthcare, however, due to the size of the development, the application is automatically called in.
- 24/164.3 To consider whether to refer any planning applications for further response from the Council's planning consultants**
There were no applications requiring referral.
- 24/164.4 To receive a report on recent planning decisions taken by West Berkshire Council**
No new planning decisions have been reported since the last meeting.
- 24/165 Finance:**
- 24/165.1 To consider approving the payments listed on the Finance Report**
Resolved: To approve the payments listed in the Finance Report in Appendix 1.
- 24/165.2 To note the most recent Bank Reconciliation**
Due to the timing of the January meeting, the bank reconciliation has not been updated since the previous meeting.
- 24/165.3 To receive any reports from the Internal Controller**
The Internal Controller has inspected the accounts to the end of May 2024.
- 24/165.4 To note the Quarterly Budget Report**
The next quarterly budget report will be issued after 31st March 2025.
- 24/166 To consider allotment rents for 2026/27**
Resolved: To increase the allotment rent for 26/27 to £30 for full plot.
The Clerk is requested to highlight to allotment tenants that if they are likely to have issues affording the fee, they should contact the Clerk.
- 24/167 To consider quotes for repairs to the Sports Pavilion**
Repairs are required to the roof and electrics and the installation of a new hot water tank is likely to be needed.
Resolved: To set a budget of up to £3,000 to carry out the repairs required.
- 24/168 To consider responding to the Government consultation on "Strengthening the standards and conduct framework for local authorities in England"**
Resolved: To delegate power to the Clerk to respond on behalf of the council.
- 24/169 To receive an update on vandalism and anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the village**
There were no reports.
- 24/170 To receive reports on the following:**
There were no reports.

24/171 To discuss matters for future consideration or information

The VE/VJ Day exhibition is confirmed to be going ahead.

The Clerk was requested to add an agenda item to discuss how to engage better with the community.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8:53 pm.

Date and time of next scheduled meeting:

Full Council: Monday 3rd March 2025 at 7 pm

Chairman: _____

Date: _____

Appendix 1: Finance Report

Income received 6th January - 26th January 2025		
Account	Income Detail	Amount
Current	Compilations advertising	£1,136.50
Current	Pitch/pavilion rent	£110.00
Current	Allotment rent	£12.50
Total		£1,259.00

Payments made on Lloyds Corporate Card to be approved				
Method	Date	Payee	Payment Detail	Amount
CC	07-Jan-25	Microsoft	Microsoft Jan	£12.36
Total				£12.36

Payments from Unity Trust Current Account to be approved				
Method	Date	Payee	Payment Detail	Amount
BACS	16-Jan-25	BBO Property Services	Replacement allotment gate	£575.00
BACS	16-Jan-25	CJM Services	Play area gate repair	£384.00
DD	20-Jan-25	Vodafone	Phone	£26.20
DD	21-Jan-25	Castle Water	Newbury Lane allotments water	£23.59
DD	22-Jan-25	Castle Water	Pavilion water	£9.07
DD	01-Feb-25	SSE Energy Solutions	Lighting electricity Dec	£555.56
BACS	03-Feb-25	Tactical Facilities Management	Refuse disposal Jan	£250.49
BACS	03-Feb-25	IJ Agricultural & Equestrian Fencing	Replace fencing	£1,008.00
BACS	03-Feb-25	Starboard Systems Ltd	Scribe allotments software	£417.60
BACS	06-Feb-25	Staff Costs	Staff costs Jan	£2,085.08
Total				£5,334.59

Transfers				
Method	Date	From Account	To Account	Amount
DD	16-Jan-25	Unity Current	Lloyds	£74.99
Total				£74.99

