

THE COMPTONS TOLLER AND WYNFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Incorporating the parishes of Compton Valence, Toller Fratrum, West Compton & Wynford Eagle

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on

Monday 6th October 2025

7.00pm at Compton Valence Village Hall

Present: Councillors:

Charles Sclater (Chairman)(CS)(Compton Valence)

Ashley Stewart (Vice Chair) (AS) (West Compton)

Jeremy Russell (JR) (Compton Valence)

Simon Simpson (SS) (Toller Fratrum)

25/10-1 Welcome and Chairmans opening remarks

CS thanked those for coming to the meeting. There were no members of the public.

25/10-2 To receive apologies for absence.

Chris Bennet (CB) (Wynford Eagle)

25/10-3 To receive any declaration of personal or pecuniary interest or grants of dispensation.

None

25/10-4 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19th May 2025.

The minutes were approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

Proposed JR Seconded AS Approved

25/10-5 Matters arising from the minutes for information only.

None.

25/10-6 Democratic Forum

Christine O'Grady from Wessex Internet spoke in regard to the proposal to bring underground fibre broadband to the villages of West Compton and Compton Valence having been awarded a government contract.

Compton Valence was in the process of connecting to the new Openreach network and the properties were bound to this supply for a minimum 12 month term under the previous voucher scheme.

Wessex propose to arrange an evening meeting for residents of both villages and run a publicity campaign through community functions support.

25/10-7 Dorset Council Report from Ward Councillor Neil Eysenck

No report had been received from Councillor Eysenck

25/10 -8 Finance

To approve payment and receipts

Payment and Receipts for the period 1st January to 31st March 2025 were as follows:

Bank Balances as at 6th October 2025 were as follows:

Lloyds Current Account	£2303.74
Lloyds Savings Account	<u>£3595.35</u>
Total	£5,899.09

The Payments and Receipts were not available at the meeting to approve and would be brought forward to the next meeting.

Payments were noted to have been limited but had included expenditure on refurbishment of the four the Finger posts on the Roman Road, Website maintenance and Hall Hire.

25/10-9 Planning

a. Tree Preservation Order at Wynford Eagle Parish

Confirmation had been received from the Dorset Tree Officer advising that the TPO has been made at High Hill Wynford Eagle as from 11th August 2025.

b. Cruxton Solar Farm

The application for the solar farm at Cruxton was due to be considered by the Strategic Planning Committee in the 16th October.

c. Local Plan Consultations

The Chairman had been approached by the clerk of Frampton Parish Council requesting consideration be given by CTWPC in regard to the proposal to include in the forthcoming Local Plan a site to the West of Frampton for a Travellers and Gypsy Site.

It was agreed that a submission should be made on behalf of CTWPC objecting to the incision of the site.

The proposal to include in the Plan a site for housing to the north west of Maiden Newton was considered and agreed at this stage no submission was required.

25/3-10 Highways Issues or reports

Grit Bins

It was noted that all grit Bins contained an adequate amount of grit.

Finger posts

Normtech had nearly completed the renovation of the four finger posts along the roman road with only a finial to be prepared and erected at the Three Sisters Junction. AS was aiming to complete the renovation of the west Compton sign shortly.

Compton Valence House Roadside

A request had been received from the School bus service for the roadside branches adjacent to Compton Valence House to be trimmed back from the highway to allow unimpeded access for their double decker bus. Some initial pruning had taken place.

25/3-11 Broadband

The provision of Full fibre to the property (FFTP) by Openreach from the Bride Valley to Compton Valence was nearing completion with Higher Dairy due to be connected in the coming weeks.

25/3-12 Defibrillators

SS continued to research the cost involved in obtaining a defibrillator for Toller Fratrum. AS similarly requested for one to be provided for West Compton. Once again it was agreed that the Council would consider contributing 50% towards the cost depending on available funds.

25/3-13 To consider any correspondence received

None

25/3-14 Any other business

Dorchester Neighbourhood Policing had highlighted damage and antisocial driving in the Dorset Downs Natural Burial ground at Compton Valence

The Email and Website run through Easy space has been amended giving all councillors access to the emails addressed to the clerk.

25/3-15 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place at 7 pm on Monday 12^h January 2026. It was to be explored whether this can be done by zoom rather than in the Compton Village Hall.

Meeting Closed at 7:55