# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SOUTH CERNEY ON WEDNESDAY 13th JULY 2011

Present: Chairman M. Stuart
Vice Chairman P. Nicholas
Parish Councillor Mrs F. Chapman

Mrs E. Chubb

J. Harris P. Jay

D. Land

J. Kimberley

Mrs. C. Tunbridge

C. Wearing

R. Webb

Mrs J. Layton (CDC)

S. Parsons (GCC)

A group from R-Way also attended the meeting including Emily Hallett (Youth Group Coordinator) primarily to support the induction of the newly co-opted Parish Councillor Chris Wearing who is chairman of the R Way group.

## **APOLOGIES**

Cllr Bennett (CDC) had emailed his apology as he had a prior engagement watching his middle grandson perform in his school concert in Wimborne. Cllr Jenkins (CDC) had sent his apology via Cllr Mrs Layton as he had another meeting to attend.

## CO-OPTION OF A NEW MEMBER TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Clerk, Mr M. McKee witnessed Cllr Wearing signing his declaration undertaking to observe the Members' Code of Conduct. Cllr Wearing also completed his Register of Interests return which the Clerk will send to the Legal Section at Cotswold District Council. Members, including the R Way group showed their appreciation with a round of applause.

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8TH JUNE 2011

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Harris that the minutes were a true and accurate record. Cllr Mrs Land abstained as she was not present at the meeting. Cllr Wearing had not yet been co-opted and also abstained. The remainder of the Parish Council was all in favour.

## MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 22ND JUNE 2011

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Harris that the minutes were a true and accurate record. Cllr Webb abstained as he was not present at the meeting. Cllr Wearing had not yet been co-opted and also abstained. The remainder of the Parish Council was all in favour.

## **CHANGES TO STANDING ORDER No. 65**

Cllr Jay explained that the changes described on Page 2836 of June 2011 minutes sets out clearly how the public can participate at a meeting. It also gives Parish Councillors the opportunity to speak on issues which the previous Standing Order did not allow. It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council adopts the changes. The Parish Council was all in favour.

#### FORMATION OF R WAY COMMITTEE

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Kimberley that the group R Way becomes a Sub-committee of the Parish Council and henceforth it will be known as the R Way Committee. The Parish Council was all in favour. A meeting will be held shortly by the Committee to elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman.

#### R WAY REPORT

Cllr Wearing, Chairman of the R Way group reported that there had not been any significant response to the group's efforts to appoint a youth co-ordinator. It was time to revamp the advertisement which will hopefully make the post more appealing to applicants. The group had agreed to take over the cleaning of the open ditch in Station Road from Mr Wrightson who will let group have the tools. The Parish Council was in favour of a suggestion from Cllr Wearing that the group take over the turning of the compost as Mr Wearing was recovering from an operation. There was no objection to Cllr Wearing's request that the Parish Council considers financing the work on a similar basis to the current arrangement. Cllr Wearing informed the meeting that R Way had been successful in securing a grant of £1,000 from Gloucestershire County Council Community Fund.

A report was made that youths were using a disused pit along Gypsy Lane (BSC48) for swimming and camping. The activity was taking place beyond the Shire Ditch, in the neighbouring parish of Ashton Keynes and the Clerk will inform Mr John Marsh, Parish Clerk at Ashton Keynes. Mrs Emily Hallett informed the meeting that courses at WM Ski will continue through until the middle of August.

Cllr Harris congratulated the R Way group for the good work and commitment they were showing towards the scheme and asked that a special mention is given to them in the next publication of Cerney News.

## MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

There were no matters arising which had not been addressed at the Committee meetings.

### **CLERK'S REPORT**

On Thursday 16th June I attended a meeting of the Gloucestershire Charter group at the Fire Station, Eastern Avenue, Gloucester. It was not well attended with only 16 representatives from the 166 parishes now in the group. The GCC web site is being streamlined. At the moment there are about 8,000 pages of information available and these will be reduced to 400 although this huge change will not be completed until April 2012. There will also be an e-newsletter for parishes and town councils published on a monthly basis, starting on 1st July. There is strong support for the introduction of a 20 mph speed limit although enforcement will remain problematical. Some parishes and towns have purchased their own speed guns to observe conditions at strategic locations and the data will be used to present a case for enablement of a lower limit. Jenny Wilks, the Area Highways Manager for Gloucestershire gave a report that since January this year 28,278 pot holes had been serviced compared with over 50,000 for a similar period the previous year. There was a remark from the floor that this was because smaller pot holes had merged with others to make the overall number less. Jenny explained that a pot hole was defined as the size of a dinner plate with the depth of a golf ball. The next meeting will take place on 15th September.

On Friday 17th June I attended a talk at Yate on Data Protection and Freedom of Information given by Vic Quayle. The lecture started at 9.30 am and finished about 3.30 pm. There were some useful guidelines but overall common sense will usually suffice. There was advice on dealing with the press and electronic communications including the use of social networking sites and the need to back up information securely.

During June of the 20 available working days I averaged 3 hours 56 minutes per day which is some 20 minutes per day or 1 hour 40 minutes per week in excess of what my contract allows. Overall, I remain content with the situation.

#### ALLOCATION OF PORTFOLIOS

Parish Councillors agreed to be responsible for the following portfolio distribution. Cllr Mrs Chapman – Cerney Wick and Highways, especially the Spine Road; Cllr Mrs Chubb – Matters dealing with the aged and the Village Hall; Cllr Harris – Tree Warden, Flood Warden, Snow Warden and the Environment; Cllr Jay – R Way Committee, Education, Village Hall, Health and Training; Cllr Kimberley – Tree Warden and Snow Warden; Cllr Mrs Land – Matters dealing with disabled persons and their associated activities; Cllr Nicholas – would contribute on demand when needed; Cllr Stuart – R Way Committee, Village Hall and Duke of Gloucester Barracks liaison; Cllr Mrs Tunbridge – Highways; Cllr Wearing – R Way Committee; Cllr Webb – Cotswold Water Park, Village Hall and the Environment.

# REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLAYING FIELDS AND VILLAGE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 11th JULY 2011

Cllr Mrs Chapman, Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Harris, Cllr Nicholas, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge attended the meeting. Cllr Stuart opened the meeting at 7 pm.

## **Apology**

Cllr Kimberley had sent an apology for his absence as he was attending to a family affair.

## **Matters Arising from previous Minutes**

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## Land at The Piece, Station Road

The Clerk reported that there had not been any communication from the owner of Sunset Cottage regarding the use of part of The Piece as a car park. Cllr Stuart advised that this item is carried forward to the next Committee meeting in August.

Cllr Stuart had given all relevant documents held by the Parish Council to Valerie Hancock of Davey Franklin Jones (Solicitors) to attain registered possessory title of the parcels of land in the parish.

#### **Bus Shelter Roof**

Beam Electrical had quoted to disconnect the continuous electrical supply to the bus shelters in South Cerney and Cerney Wick but requested that Scottish and Southern Electric is informed. On contacting the business section of SSE the Clerk had been informed that disconnection would be carried out at no charge and emailed formal instructions to SSE to proceed. SSE had responded that they would attend as soon as possible.

## Train Unit at Robert Franklin Way play area

Timberline Ltd will install the train unit on 2nd July. R.O.W. Berry is expected to make ready the site prior to installation.

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## Overgrowing hedges in Bow Wow

The Clerk was instructed to ask Dave Flagg, Senior Technician at Gloucestershire Highways to expedite the reduction of the overgrowing hedge in Bow Wow as the nesting season was over.

## **Safety Inspections**

The Clerk was asked to write to John Hicks expressing the concern and disappointment of the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee at faults which had been detected since his annual safety inspection. The metal pins on the "D"-shackles were particularly badly worn and were fortunately reported by a contractor carrying out other work on the sites at Upper Up and Robert Franklin Way.

The Committee agreed to a suggestion from Cllr Harris that inspection parties meet to carry out a thorough examination of all aspects of safety on the play areas. Cllr Nicholas suggested that the Parish Councillors who carry out the weekly inspections should rotate with colleagues instead of continuing to only report on their allotted site. Parish Councillors were in total agreement.

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## **Public Footpaths**

Cllr Stuart informed the Committee that Mike Barton had added the repair of the rail on the footbridge on bridleway BSC48 (Gypsy Lane to the Shire Brook) to his work schedule.

# **Berkeley Close bin**

The new bin at Berkeley Close had been installed.

## **Overgrowing Hedges**

The overgrowing hedges between Mrs Webb and Mr Mould had been cut back.

## **Composting**

As Kelvin Wearing had been incapacitated following surgery members of the R Way group had proposed that they would be willing to do the composting, albeit under the supervision of Mr Wearing. The Committee agreed with this strategy.

## **INSPECTION REPORTS**

## **Robert Franklin Way**

Cllr Mrs Chubb and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge had carried out the weekly inspections at Robert Franklin Way play area. The top of the Picnic Table on the Toddlers Play Area was showing further signs of deterioration and a nail or screw top is now protruding from the tabletop. Otherwise the play area was in a satisfactory condition.

## **Cerney Wick**

Cllr Mrs Chapman had carried out the inspections and reported that the paintwork on the slide and activity area was flaking. The Clerk will bring a quotation for the refurbishment to the meeting on Wednesday.

## **Upper Up**

Cllr Stuart carried out the inspections. The repairs to the bolts/shackles and monkey bars had been carried out. There was some vandalism to the dog waste bin which CDC replaced. Cricket balls from the nets are being hit into the allotments and tennis courts due to the lack of top netting and not enough side nets. Cllr Stuart had spoken to Grant Stratford from the Cricket Club and requested that action be taken to restrict the activity.

### **TASK LIST**

The Clerk was to enquire from Chris Franklin, Stakeholder Manager at Gloucestershire Highways if he could update the Parish Council on when progress on the work to repair the coir rolls/gabions in Bow Wow could be expected.

The Clerk was asked to instruct Dave Flagg, Gloucestershire Highways to proceed with cutting back the hedges in Bow Wow now that the bird nesting season was over. Mr Flagg had responded by informing the Clerk that the official bird nesting season is from end of February to 1st August. It is Gloucestershire Highways policy not to cut any hedges until 1st September.

At the Committee meeting Cllr Stuart had declared that he had another commitment and left the meeting. Cllr Nicholas took over as chairman.

## EASEMENT FOR GAS PIPE OVER THE POCKET PARK (JUBILEE GARDENS)

Adam Smith of Mirus Construction had requested access over land owned by the Parish Council to install a gas pipe over a few metres of the Pocket Park. Cllr Nicholas had preliminary negotiations with Mark Boyle of Boyle & Grimes Land and Property Specialists who had agreed to take instructions if the Parish Council approved.

Cllr Nicholas had proposed that the Committee agreed to this solution. The Committee was in full agreement and recommended that the Parish Council does likewise.

At its meeting on 13th July, South Cerney with Cerney Wick Parish Council had no objection to Mirus Construction having access over the few metres of the Pocket Park (Jubilee Gardens), if the developer wished to proceed subject to the terms agreed with Cllr Nicholas.

# PARISH RESILIENCE – PREPARATION FOR WINTER MAINTENANCE AND ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS

Cllr Harris volunteered to continue to act as Parish Snow Warden. There was no enthusiasm from the Committee to stockpile bagged salt within the Parish or to take up the offer of a reduced cost hand salt spreader. These responses will be passed to Gloucestershire Highways.

## **COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

Cllr Harris reported that SITA vehicles were accessing its site in Broadway Lane by coming in to the village from the Ewen direction via Upper Up in contravention of the agreed Spine Road route. The Clerk was to request the Scott Williams (CDC) to remind the contractors of their obligation to avoid using the village as a through route to their depot.

Cllr Harris asked the Clerk to inform the Street Lighting department at Gloucestershire County Council that the reduced lighting scheme in Robert Franklin Way and the Lennards is no longer operating effectively.

Cllr Harris reported that branches along the bridleway alongside Ash Moon were overhanging. The Clerk was to inform the estate agents who were handling the sale of the property and request that the obstructing limbs are cut back.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Committee agreed that the Parish Council should enter the Gloucestershire PFA Playing Field and Playground of the Year Competitions for 2011. The fee would be £5 for both competitions.

The Football Club had intimated that it shall be installing a separate water meter. The Committee asked the Clerk to inform the club that the Parish Council preferred Thames Water to carry out any changes to the arrangement. The Clerk will contact Thames Water and enquire if there was a cost involved to install separate meters for both the Football Club and the Cricket Club.

Thames Water had informed the Clerk that it would send out engineers to survey the site with the intention of installing either two new meters or dividing the existing arrangement.

The Clerk will inform both clubs of this action.

There being no further business Cllr Nicholas had closed the meeting at 8.05 pm.

# REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 11TH JULY 2011

Cllr Jay, Cllr Mrs Land, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Webb attended the meeting. Cllr Jay opened the meeting at 8.30 pm.

## **Spreadsheet Analysis**

The third spreadsheet showed expenditure as expected. Cllr Jay pointed out an anomaly on the spreadsheet which only showed expenditure and not income. In the case of the Insurance outlay it was not obvious that, although the budget seemed to be exceeded, it was in fact correct as contributions from the Football and Cricket Clubs reimbursed the expenditure of the Parish Council. The Clerk explained that the spreadsheet was only a check on budget expenditure and not a precise accounting tool.

# Recommendations for acceptance from the Playing Fields & Village Maintenance Committee

The Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee had recommended that the Finance Committee agrees to the GPFA fee of £5 to enter its competition. Further, it is minded to accept the quotation from Beam Electrical to disconnect the continuous supply to the bus shelters for £105 plus VAT. The Finance Committee had no objection to any of the above expenditure.

Two quotations had been received from R.O.W. Berry.

- 1. To replace the four main fixings on two swings at Upper Up and Robert Franklin Way playing fields for £150. It was proposed by Cllr Stuart and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council accepts this quotation. The Parish Council was all in favour.
- 2. To rub down with wire brush, the flaking paint on the swings at Cerney Wick play area and repaint. This quotation was rejected and two further contractors would be asked to give a competitive quotation.

The Parish Council agreed that the playing fields are entered into the competition. There was now no need to go ahead with the plan to use Beam Electrical as Scottish and Southern Electric would disconnect the continuous supply at no charge to the Parish Council.

# **Payments In**

Football Club Share of water supply cost £59.64

## **Payments Outstanding**

Thames Water Outstanding fees (MAI) (ex VAT) £4,694.90

## **Payments Out**

Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Jay, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Webb all declared a prejudicial interest in the following payment as they were members of the Village Hall Committee and left the room.

Cllr Nicholas took over the report as Cllr Jay had left the room.

£2,550.00

It was proposed by Cllr Nicholas and seconded by Cllr Kimberley that the Parish Council accepts the recommendation of the Finance Committee and agrees the above payment. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Jay, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Webb returned to the room. Cllr Jay continued with his report.

Cllr Harris declared a prejudicial interest in this next payment as recipient and left the room.

James Harris Contracting Removal of Willow tree stump £55.00

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Stuart that the Parish Council accepts the recommendation of the Finance Committee and agrees the above payment. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cllr Harris returned to the room.

Petty Cash	Bus shelter cleansing (July)	£50.00
Petty Cash	Litter picking (July)	£100.00
M. McKee	BT telephone, internet access (June)	£39.43
M. McKee	Clerk's travel (June)	£97.50
A & B Fencing, Roofing Ltd	Supply and erect fence at Upper Up allotments	£5,190.00
R.O.W. Berry	Repair to bars on ladder (Upper Up)	£55.00
R.O.W. Berry	Supply and fit "D" shackles to swing (Upper Up)	£35.00
Kelvin Wearing	Composting labour (June)	£120.00
Mrs E. M. Hallett	South Cerney Youth Group	£212.16
Busy Fingers Copying	Photocopying	£9.00
P. Jay	Travel and parking reimbursement	£39.30
Timberline Ltd	RFW Train Unit deposit	£963.00
Cotswold Canals Trust	Membership Renewal	£10.00
Southern Electric	Unmetered power supply to bus shelters	£21.37
Royal British Legion	Chairman's allowance (Poppy Appeal)	£50.00
GPFA	Entry fee for Playing Field of the Year	£5.00
CDC	Litter bin for Berkeley Close	£180.00
Adrian Gibbs	Ground Maintenance (June)	£1,423.20
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Total: £11,204.96

Cllr Webb had inspected the invoices and agreed the Clerk's travel expenses for June.

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Mrs Land that the Parish Council agrees to make the above payments. The Committee was all in favour.

Cllr Jay and Cllr Mrs Land both declared a prejudicial interest in this next item as members of Lake 12 Partnership Committee and left the room. Cllr Webb took over as chairman.

## Lake 12 Partnership

Chris Roberts MBE, Fundraising Co-ordinator for the Lake 12 Partnership had requested that the Parish Council consider contributing to the Lake 12 Partnership fighting fund to assist the group in its endeavour to retain the SCOEC as a community resource. After a short discussion the Committee recommended that the Parish Council considers granting £100 to the Lake 12 Partnership. The Committee was all in favour.

It was proposed by Cllr Nicholas and seconded by Cllr Harris that the Parish Council accepts the recommendation of the Finance Committee and grants £100 to the Lake 12 Partnership. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cllr Jay and Cllr Mrs Land returned to the room.

There being no further business Cllr Jay had closed the meeting at 8.57 pm.

# REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 11TH JULY 2011

Cllr Mrs Chapman, Cllr Mrs Land, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Webb attended the meeting. Cllr Nicholas had opened the meeting at 9 pm.

There were two members of the public present.

## Matters arising from previous minutes

## 10/03916/OUT

Outline application for residential development (up to 150 dwellings), including associated infrastructure, landscaping and the creation of new areas of public open space, together with land to accommodate a community hall facility on land at former Aggregate Industries Site, The Mallards, South Cerney GL7 5TQ.

As outline planning permission had been granted Cllr Nicholas suggested that the Parish Council should now be proactively involved in the detailed planning. For example the Parish Council should seek to influence the position of the community building and the design and layout of the houses. He requested the Clerk to enquire from Mike Napper (CDC) when a decision notice on the next stage is likely to be issued.

Cllr Stuart had spoken to Mike Napper (CDC Planning) regarding involvement in the design and layout of the community building. Mr Napper suggested that the community might consider seeking funds to enhance the facilities of the building or an even grander scheme. Cllr Stuart will arrange to meet with Mervyn Dobson of Pegasus Planning to see how the community can become involved with the next stage of the process. He emphasised that this was not an immediate action as it will take some time for firstly the site to be cleared and then some of the development stages to be completed before there would be surplus funds available. It was never too early to start planning a strategy on how the community could influence proceedings.

## Planning Applications received by Cotswold District Council

#### 11/02675/CLEUD

Applicant: Major D. McPherson, Rainbows End, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UZ Proposal: Certificate of Lawful existing use or development under Section 191 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the use of Steam Cottage as an independent dwelling at Steam Cottage, Rainbows End, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UZ The Committee considers that as the dwelling was inhabited by a close family member it therefore could not be classed as an independent dwelling but definitely ancillary to the main dwelling.

**OBJECTION** 

#### 11/02676/CLEUD

Applicant: Major D. McPherson, Rainbows End, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UZ Proposal: Certificate of Lawful existing use or development under Section 191 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the primary occupation of the owner/occupant in breach of agricultural occupancy condition for more than 10 years at Rainbows End, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UZ NO OBJECTION

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#### 11/02728/FUL

Applicant: Mr Tony Derrick, Riverbank, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TZ Proposal: Erection of canopy over front door, alter existing flat roof garage to pitched roof and demolish and construct larger conservatory to the rear at Riverbank, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TZ

The Committee prefers a tiled slate roof rather than a glazed roof. NO OBJECTION

#### 11/02734/FUL

Applicants: Mr & Mrs Julian and Carolyn Ainsworth, Butler's Court, Station Road, South Cerney GL7 5UB

Proposal: Variation of condition 2 and 5 of permission 11/01658/FUL. The east facing part of the first floor rear facing bay window shall be of obscured glazing, be fixed shut and permanently retained as such thereafter at Butlers Court, Station Road, South Cerney NO OBJECTION

It was proposed by Cllr Webb and seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman that the Parish Council accepts the recommendations of the Planning Committee. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cllr Webb had declared a prejudicial interest as a member of the Village Hall committee and left the room.

At the Parish Council meeting Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Jay, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Webb declared a prejudicial interest as members of the Village Hall Committee and left the roof.

## 11/02761/FUL

Applicant: Mrs Godwin, c/o Agent Mr Nathan McLoughlin, McLoughlin Planning, Signpost Cottage, The Camp, Stroud GL6 7HN

Proposal: Erection of 2 dwellings at 22 School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TY
The Design and Access Statement is factually incorrect and misleading because the applicants do not own the access drive. Mention of parking facilities for users of the Village Hall is pure fiction. The track to the side of the Village Hall which will be used as the entrance for construction and occupation traffic conflicts with the pedestrian and disabled access to the Village Hall. As the track is 3.5m wide and a dedicated footpath of 1.1m is required by the Disability Discrimination Act for access, this only leaves 2.4m for vehicular traffic. Coupled to this if the track becomes the entrance to the plots then the gate there on will be removed and traffic will not have to negotiate the obstacle as at present. Access to the Village Hall for disabled users would be compromised through lack of width. The use of the track is not conducive to the dual purpose of a disabled access and/or traffic access. Parking in School Lane would be an even worse problem if permission was granted. The Committee does not object to the revised design of the dwellings.

OBJECTION

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Land and seconded by Cllr Kimberley that the Parish Council supports the recommendation of the Planning Committee and objects to the application. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Jay, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Webb returned to the room.

# Planning Applications granted by Cotswold District Council

#### 11/01662/FUL CT.2797/M

Two storey extensions to front, side and rear, erection of front porch and garage, increase in the height of the roof by 1 metre, and rendering of the building and other external alterations at 4 Silver Street, South Cerney

# Correspondence

Ms Keri-Anne Bailey has appealed re: Erection of new dwelling at 5 The Leaze, South Cerney. The Committee recommends that the Parish Council supports the decision of the Cotswold District Council to refuse permission and writes to the Planning Inspectorate accordingly, reiterating its objections. The Parish Council objected to the application as it considers the plan to be an excessively cramped form of development which is likely to be oppressive to neighbouring properties. The curtilage provided will be disproportionately small in relation to other properties in the vicinity.

There being no further business Cllr Nicholas had closed the meeting at 9.35 pm.

#### 11/01745/FUL

Erection of 6 dwellings, garages and associated works at The Carted Barn, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UG

Cllr Jay informed the Parish Council that he would be speaking at the Planning Regulatory meeting at CDC on behalf of South Cerney Trust. The Parish Council had no objection to Cllr Jay representing the Parish Council as well.

#### CT.1202/1/M

Fishery improvement and bank restoration works to Lake 31. Permitted 12th May 2009. Cllr Jenkins had provided an Executive Summary on the infilling of Lake 31 at Keynes Country Park titled "The case to answer". There were disturbing allegations on the management and lack of enforcement which needed to be answered. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr Neudegg, Chief Executive Officer at Cotswold District Council and request a copy of the response to the accusations by Cllr Jenkins. The Parish Council shares the concern of Cllr Jenkins.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

- 1. Co-optees résumés
  - (a) David Hughes
  - (b) Anna Lewis
  - (c) Chris Wearing
- 2. Cotswold District Council Update request to Emergency Planning contacts. Cllr Harris, Cllr Kimberley and Cllr Stuart agreed to be nominated as contacts
- 3. Copy responses to CDC Planning regarding application 11/01745/FUL (Mitie)
  - (a) Sylvia Davis
  - (b) Mr C. James & Mrs D. James
  - (c) Michael & Christina Pollard
  - (d) Lee Mott
  - (e) Mr R. A. Stothard
  - (f) Ms Mary Jones
  - (g) Mr & Mrs P. J. Hillier

- 4. Beam Electrical Co. (Paul Beasley) Quotation to disconnect the electrical supply to bus shelters in Cerney Wick and outside The Limes, Station Road
- 5. The Local Government Boundary Commission Draft recommendations of Electoral Review of Gloucestershire County Council (emailed to Parish Councillors)
- 6. Greenfields Garden Services Ltd. Ground maintenance for public space (advert)
- 7. R.O.W. Berry Verbal quotations
  - (a) To replace four main fixings on two swings at Upper Up play area
  - (b) To wire brush (rub down) and paint swing structure at Cerney Wick play area
- 8. Gloucestershire Playing Fields Association Invitation to enter the 2011 Playing Field and Playground of the Year competitions (emailed to Parish Councillors)
- 9. South Cerney Football Club Installation of water meter notification
- 10. Gloucestershire Highways Parish Resilience: Winter maintenance and adverse weather; summary of information on responsibilities
- 11. Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) Invitation to visit Kemble Farms Anaerobic digestion Facility on Wednesday 6th July 2011 (emailed to Parish Councillors)
- 12. Lake 12 Partnership Grant appeal
- 13. Timberline Ltd Installation check list; order acknowledgement
- 14. Gloucestershire County Council Glos Waste Core Strategy (WCS) Proposed Focused Changes (emailed to Parish Councillors)
- 15. Clerks & Councils Direct July 2011 edition (on circulation to Parish Councillors)
- 16. Revd D. Bowers Accepts invitation to continue serving as a member of the Burial Authority
- 17. Boyle & Grimes Land and Property Specialists LLP Easement for gas pipe over the Pocket Park (Jubilee Gardens)
- 18. Major Dave Martin Flying activities at South Cerney airfield (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
- 19. A419 Action Group Situation report (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
- 20. Youth Group Projected expenditure (emailed to Finance Committee members)
- 21. Martyn Slater (Chairman of Stroud Vintage Transport and Engine Club) Club rally to be held at South Cerney airfield
  Clerk to request that the club considers exhibiting a steam engine at the Street Fair in South Cerney on June 4th 2012; consider making a donation to the defibrillator appeal
- 22. SLCC Encouragement to participate in training events in order to apply for Quality Council Status
- 23. CDC 11/00239/FUL CT.8835/A Appeal by Ms Keri-Anne Bailey re: Erection of new dwelling at 5 The Leaze, South Cerney ref: APP/F1610/A/11/2155621/NWF (emailed to members of Committee)

  Parish Council supports the decision of CDC to refuse permission
- 24. Sovereign Play equipment marketing scheme

After the successful prosecution of Dennis Grant on fraud charges relating to the misappropriation of funds at the Cotswold Water Park Society, Parish Councillors asked to the Clerk to write to Matthew Millett and Tasha Flaherty thanking them for the diligent and professional way they carried on their duties in the aftermath of the criminal action.

#### **COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

Cllr Parsons (GCC) reported that the petition to create a PROW at Keynes Country Park has a strong case for success. Cllr Parsons is optimistic.

The preparation of legal documents for the tender process has been delayed due to changes of personnel in the legal department at Gloucestershire County Council.

In response to a complaint by Parish Councillors, over the contribution for a bus service subsidy that developers of the Mallards are expected to make, Cllr Parsons (GCC) stated that the procedure was governed by an inspector's decision. In the interests of "Localism", Parish Councillors considered this as totally unnecessary as the service provided is perfectly adequate albeit the subsidised service is restricted from 9.30 am to 7 pm. Cllr Parsons (GCC) will convey the objection of the Parish Council to the appropriate department at County Hall.

Cllr Jay stated that Lake 12 Partnership had registered an interest in tendering for the management of the soon to be redundant SCOEC. The partnership had a target of £1 million to raise. The partnership he continued were sceptical that a lease of 125 years could be considered as a business but more like a residential lease. Cllr Parsons (GCC) will report the concerns to the relevant department.

Cllr Jay again complained of the danger of crossing over the Spine Road because of the density of traffic. He asked the Clerk to contact Gloucestershire Highways to suggest that better signs be installed to encourage pedestrians to use the underpass at the Gateway Centre.

Cllr Jay and Cllr Stuart attended a seminar on June 13th at Cheltenham Council Offices on the provision of youth activities entitled "It's not all ping pong and chocolate". Cllr Jay stated that he was proud to report that South Cerney was promoted as an example of good practice in the provision of youth services within its community.

Cllr Mrs Chapman, Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Harris, Cllr Kimberley and Cllr Webb all requested a hard copy of the Electoral Roll for South Cerney. Cllr Nicholas, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge requested an electronic version. The Clerk will inform the Electoral Office at CDC.

Cllr Harris reported that the Elder trees on Clarks Hay located near the surgery should be cut off to ground level. Cllr Kimberley will inspect and send a specification to the Clerk.

Cllr Mrs Chapman reported that a rail on the wooden fence at the passing place alongside Lake 10 (Waters Edge) in Cerney Wick Lane was broken. The Clerk will inform Paul Swift at Gloucestershire Highways.

Cllr Mrs Land reported that Paul Swift had informed her that the installation of further tactile paving near the Post Office in Clarks Hay would be made hopefully this year if sufficient funds were available.

Cllr Ms Layton (CDC) will enquire how the recently announced grant by the Leader of Cotswold District Council Councillor Lynden Stowe, estimated by Cllr Stuart at £1,136 per District Councillor, can be accessed.

Cllr Stuart reported on a meeting he attended of the Diggers Up on 15th June. The fence was now in place around the allotments and the well sunk.

On 22nd June Cllr Stuart met with Mike Barton, Gloucestershire County Council PROW officer and reminded him that the footpath to the bird hides in Siddington Parish was still flooding with the discharge from the Thames Water facility nearby.

On 23rd June Cllr Stuart attended the Police Neighbourhood Panel at which he met PC Sarah Bradley. Cllr Stuart advised that Sarah is on a mission to stop motorists parking on footpaths and grass verges firstly by leaving a warning notice on windscreens and if that does not have the desired effect she will book persistent offenders.

On 27th June Cllr Stuart attended an emotional leaving party for Mary Mychaleckyj.

Cllr Stuart reminded Parish Councillors of a talk on "Localism" which will take place on 26th July at Rodmarton. Cllr Jay volunteered to accompany him.

There being no further business Cllr Stuart closed the meeting at 10:27 pm.