# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SOUTH CERNEY ON WEDNESDAY 11th JUNE 2014

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

J. Harris
J. Kimberley
Mrs D. Land
Mrs C. Tunbridge

R. Webb

Ms J. Layton (CDC)
Jasmin Tresadern (R-Way)

16 members of the public were present including Jordan McKenna the prospective Liberal Democrat candidate seeking election to Cotswold District Council at the next election.

The Chairman Cllr Stuart opened the meeting at 7.35 pm and welcomed the delegation who were there primarily to listen and contribute if asked to the discussion on planning application 14/02126/FUL. Cllr Stuart explained that Cllr Nicholas, Chairman of the Planning Committee had been unavoidably delayed at work but would attend the meeting. In the meantime Parish Council business would proceed as usual but when Cllr Nicholas arrived then the report of the Planning Committee would be brought forward.

# **APOLOGIES**

Cllr Jay had sent an apology as he was on vacation. Cllr Wearing had sent an apology for his absence as he had a domestic emergency. Cllr Bennett (CDC) had sent his apology for absence as he had other commitments.

#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14TH MAY 2014

It was proposed by Cllr Harris and seconded by Cllr Mrs Land that the minutes were a true and accurate record. Cllr Kimberley abstained as he had not attended the meeting on 14th May. The remainder of the Parish Council was all in favour.

#### **R-WAY REPORT**

Jasmin Tresadern reported that two new juniors had joined the group on Monday. The group was also successful with grant applications to Cotswold District Council. Project plans can now be confirmed for the summer. A swimming expedition with the juniors had been well attended. The senior sessions for the past two weeks had to be cancelled as there were not enough attending to make it a viable proposition. Cllr Kimberley remarked that junior numbers were steady at 18 or 19 attending and that it was a very lively group. He congratulated R-Way who had collected a total of £206.10 at the Duck Race.

#### MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

All matters arising had been dealt with in the appropriate committee reports except the appointment of a new web master which had been achieved. The site was now up to date.

#### **CLERK'S REPORT**

On 21st May I attended the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council in the Village Hall.

During May of the 20 available working days I averaged 5½ hours per day which is 27½ hours a week. That is 7½ hours more than my contract of 20 hours per week. Extraordinary events like the return of the audit for inspection by Grant Thornton and preparation for the AGM all added to the extra time taken. Hopefully the summer period may show a marked reduction. Nevertheless I am quite content with the arrangement.

I will be taking annual leave from Monday 16th to Friday 27th and will be unavailable during this period. I will of course try to keep in touch but communication from the borders of Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Macedonia and Serbia cannot be relied upon.

Cllr Nicholas arrived at 7.45 pm and Chairman Cllr Stuart asked him to give his report on the deliberations of the Planning Committee.

# REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 9th JUNE

Cllr Mrs Chapman, Cllr Mrs Land, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Webb attended the meeting. Cllr Nicholas had opened the meeting at 7.50pm.

One member of the public was present to begin but 8 others turned up near the end and their contributions are merged.

#### **Election of Chairman**

As no nominations had been received the Clerk asked Cllr Nicholas if he was willing to continue as Chairman. Cllr Nicholas agreed. It was proposed by Cllr Land and seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman that Cllr Nicholas continues as Chairman of the Planning Committee. The Committee voted all in favour.

#### **Election of Vice Chairman**

As no nominations had been received the Chairman asked Cllr Webb if he was willing to continue as Vice Chairman. Cllr Webb agreed to this request. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Chapman and seconded by Cllr Nicholas that Cllr Webb continues as Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee. The Committee voted all in favour.

# **Apology**

Cllr Stuart had earlier apologised for his absence as he had another important engagement to attend.

# Planning Applications received by Cotswold District Council

Cllr Nicholas had promoted the application which interested Mr Boulter, the member of the public present and the other 8 who had turned up later.

# 14/02161/FUL

Applicant: Mr D Roberts, c/o Agent: Mr Tony Allen, Allen Planning Ltd, 21A New Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire SP1 2PH

Proposal: Conversion of existing building to a Class A1 use including new shop front and demolition of outbuilding to the rear. Erection of two dwellings, garages and associated works to the rear including car parking and landscaping at Carted Barn, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UG

The Committee had no objection to the application for two houses to the rear but agreed with Cllr Nicholas who objected to the absence of a contribution towards affordable housing. Cllr Nicholas also commented that the design of the development was of a poor quality.

The Committee was split on the contentious issue of cars parking on the highway as a result if the application was approved.

As Cllr Nicholas considered closing the meeting a delegation of 8 residents arrived to discuss application 14/02161/FUL. Cllr Nicholas patiently explained to the delegation the previous discussion of the Committee and asked if there were any other considerations that the Committee should be aware. He clearly pointed out that the application was for the conversion of the existing building to a Class A1 use including new shop front which could include a number of types of enterprise excluding the provision of hot food but he emphasised that the type of business was not part of the discussion it was the change of Class. The delegation was concerned with a number of issues including the loss of privacy for properties overlooked to the west, the protection of the dividing wall between these existing properties and the new development and the parking issues which would occur if the Class change was a mini supermarket. He advised the delegation to write to CDC with their objections and not to rely on others.

At the Parish Council meeting there was general agreement that if the application was for four houses this would not be contended. The discussion mainly centred on the use that the Class A1 change would be for. One resident had met with agents on the site who told her that they were acting on behalf of a retail outfit but declined to explain who was their client. In view of the fact that the retail part of the development would be 399 sq.m it is more than likely that the site will be for some sort of convenience store. If so, then it brings into question the effect such an establishment would have on other businesses in South Cerney. Cllr Ms Layton (CDC) had seen in the 20 years or so that she had been living in the village many such small shops flounder and disappear and argued that any competition would seriously damage the already established Spar outlet nearby and Post Office in Clarks Hay. Further, it was nonsense to suppose such an establishment could survive with two deliveries a day. Parking will become a nightmare not only for nearby residences some of whom already have to park on the street but for potential clients of the commercial establishment. The High Street is a main artery being used by local public transport and other delivery vehicles servicing the large industrial estate in Broadway Lane. There was general agreement that chaos will ensue with the traffic flow, not only at school times but throughout the working day. The side entrance which is a private road will be usurped as it is in a similar way alongside the Spar leading to potential confrontation. The plan for a Class 1A change of use is seriously opposed as evidenced by the 16 members of the public who attended the Parish Council meeting to voice their objections. The Parish Council also objected to the absence of a contribution by the developers towards affordable housing. Cllr Nicholas commented that the design of the development was of a poor quality. It was proposed by Cllr Nicholas and seconded by Cllr Kimberley that the Parish Council

objects on the grounds stated above. The Parish Council voted unanimously in its agreement.

OBJECTION

Most of the audience then departed leaving Cllr Ms Juliet Layton and two others as observers.

#### 14/01461/FUL

Applicant: Mr L. Bailey, 10 Meadow Way, South Cerney GL7 6HY

Proposal: Increase size of existing front dormer and changes to driveway at 10 Meadow

Way, South Cerney GL7 6HY (R)

NO OBJECTION Committee's decision ratified

#### 14/01536/FUL (NEW DETAILS)

Applicant: Mr & Mrs A Chard, Langet End, Upper Up, South Cerney GL7 5US Proposal: Erection of a 3-bed dwelling and associated off street parking at Langet End, Upper Up, South Cerney GL7 5US

The Committee reiterated its previous comments that it did not object in principle to the development but considers reference to a Victorian style is not appropriate to this location. The vernacular style does not match the Cotswold Design Code.

#### **OBJECTION**

# 14/01668/FUL (NEW DETAILS)

Applicant: Debut Services Ltd, The Defence Infrastructure Organisation, Kingston Road, Sutton Coldfield, Birmingham, West Midlands B75 7RL

Proposal: Proposed new 3 Storey 36 Bed SNCO Single Living Accommodation block and proposed new 3 Storey 54 Bed JRZ Single Living Accommodation block at 29 Transport and Movements Regiment, Duke of Gloucester Barracks, Cricklade Road, South Cerney GL7 5RD

NO OBJECTION

#### 14/01970/FUL

Applicant: Mr Adrian Snow, The Dormer House, Clark's Hay, South Cerney GL7 5UA Proposal: Additional bedroom at first floor level at The Dormer House, Clark's Hay, South Cerney GL7 5UA NO OBJECTION

#### 14/01989/OUT

Applicant: Watermark Ltd, Summer Lake, Spine Road East, South Cerney Proposal: Construction of 16 two bed lodges (Plots 51–66) (landscaping reserved for future consideration). Relocation of previously approved facilities including a brassiere, shop and admin offices and erection of changing facilities (landscaping, scale and appearance reserved for future consideration) at Summer Lakes, Spine Road East, South Cerney NO OBJECTION

#### 14/02088/FUL

Applicant: The Butts Farm Rare Breeds, Butts Farm, Cricklade Road, South Cerney GL7 5QE

Proposal: Change of use of part of Butts Farm for domestic storage use (within use Class B8) comprising siting of storage containers (part retrospective) at Butts Farm, Cricklade Road, South Cerney GL7 5QE

NO OBJECTION

#### 14/02145/LBC

Applicant: Mr & Mrs John Turner, Silver Street House, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TP

Proposal: Demolish porch, insert french doors at Silver Street House, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TP

After some discussion the Parish Council decided to object to this proposal to demolish the porch on aesthetic grounds

**OBJECTION** 

#### 14/02176/FUL

Applicant: Watermark Ltd, c/o Agent: A P Jones, Andrew P Jones Associates, Hollybank House, Stockwell Lane, Cleeve Hill, Cheltenham, Glos GL52 3PU

Proposal: Construction of an admin/security office at Isis Lakes, Spine Road East, South Cerney

NO OBJECTION

#### 14/02256/TCONR

Applicant: Mr Andy Lough, 18 Jubilee Gardens, South Cerney GL7 5XW

Proposal: Pine – Cut back overhanging branches from tree in adjacent garden shown in

photograph at 18 Jubilee Gardens, South Cerney GL7 5XW (R)

NO COMMENT from Tree Wardens

#### 14/02547/TCONR

Applicant: Mr Steve Johnson, Cherry Orchard, Upper Up, South Cerney GL7 5US Proposal: Reduce one Leylandii (T1 on plan) tree by 40%; Reduce one Lime tree (T2 on plan) by 30% at Cherry Orchard, Langet, Upper Up, South Cerney GL7 5US NO COMMENT from Tree Wardens

#### 14/02548/TCONR

Applicant: Mr Pablo Sanchez, Tanners, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UP

Proposal: Chestnut – Remove dead wood bigger than 5cm wide in diameter and canopy raise

20% at Tanners, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UP

NO COMMENT from Tree Wardens

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

Cllr Harris and Cllr Kimberley declared prejudicial interests in this next application as they were personal friends of the applicant and left the room.

#### 14/01912/FUL

Applicant: Wildmoor Waters, The Willows, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UZ Proposal: Erection of 2 additional holiday accommodation units and fishery storage at The Willows, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UZ

NO OBJECTION

It was proposed by Cllr Webb and seconded by Cllr Mrs Land that the Parish Council does not object to this application. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cllr Harris and Cllr Kimberley rejoined the debate.

## Planning Applications granted by Cotswold District Council

# 14/00371/COMPLY CT.2509/D (12/05093/FUL)

Erection of 2 dwellings – compliance with conditions 6 (samples), 8 (external woodwork finish), 12 (details), 13 (access), 17 (tree protection), 18 (landscape), 22 (drainage) and 23 (levels) at The Homestead, Silver Street, South Cerney

Except Condition 22 – submission of a full surface water drainage scheme (drg. no. PR13-024-101) – **not approved** as details of soakage tests not submitted.

Except Condition 23 – submission of plans showing existing and proposed ground levels, finished floor levels, eaves and ridge heights of proposed and neighbouring buildings (drg. no. PR13-024-101) – **not approved** as ridges and eaves height of proposed buildings not indicated on the plan.

#### 13/05325/REM CT.0006/5/X

Reserved Matters application pursuant to outline permission 10/03916/OUT (Residential development [up to 150 dwellings], including associated infrastructure, access details, landscaping and the creation of new areas of public open space, together with a community hall facility [Use Class D1]) comprising details for the erection of 9 dwellings at land at the former Aggregates Industries site, The Mallards, Broadway Lane, South Cerney

Conditions of note: 2. The use of the boat jetties serving each dwelling, as shown in the drawings herein approved, shall be used solely by the occupants of and ancillary to the said dwellings, and shall only be used between the end of March and the beginning of October of any year for the mooring of one non-motorised boat of no more than 5.5m in length. No motorised boats or other motorised water-borne craft shall be operated from the jetties. Reason: To ensure that the biodiversity of the site is protected and enhanced in accordance with the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended and The Conservation of Habitats & Species Regulation 2010.

- 3. The works hereby approved shall be carried out in accordance with the recommendations in section 6 of the 'Supplementary Ecology Assessment' (Ecology Solutions' ref. 4876.EcoAssLakeside RM.vfl, dated March 2014) and as illustrated in drawing numbers MSC378-AL-SW-0-001-P 02 and MSC378-AL-SW-0-003-P 00. All proposed mitigation and enhancements shall be completed before this phase of the development is first brought into use or occupied and all mitigation shall be permanently maintained thereafter. Reason: To ensure that bats and birds and their habitats are protected in accordance with The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010, the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended, In line with the National Planning Policy Framework (in particular section 11), Cotswold District Local Plan Policy 9 and in order for the Council to comply with Part 3 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006.
- 4. Before any works hereby approved commence on site, a revised 10 year Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (LEAMP) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The revised LEAMP shall show how the reed bed and the marginal planting buffer strip shown on drawing numbers MSC378-AL-SW-0-0-001-P 02 and MSC378-AL-SW-0-003-P 00 will be established and managed (including details of who will have responsibility for the long-term management). The management of the site the subject of the associated Outline permission 10/03916/OUT (and subsequent permission 12/04897/FUL) shall thereafter be undertaken strictly in accordance with the approved revised LEAMP.

Reason: Having regard to the impact of this detailed phase of the development, it is necessary to seek additional biodiversity mitigation and enhancement. To ensure that bats and birds and their habitats are protected in accordance with The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010, the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended, In line with the National Planning Policy Framework (in particular section 11), Cotswold District Local Plan Policy 9 and In order for the Council to comply with Part 3 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006.

- 5. No development shall commence until the design and details of the chimneys, cill & head details, balconies, aluminium windows & external doors, and timber & garage doors have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The design and details shall be accompanied by drawings to a minimum scale of 1:5 with full size moulding cross section profiles, elevations and sections. The development shall only be carried out in accordance with the approved details and retained as such at all times.
- Reason: To ensure the development is completed in a manner sympathetic to the site and its surroundings in accordance with Cotswold District Local Plan policies 42 and UT.1 and the provisions of the NPPF.
- 6. No development shall commence until a sample of the external woodwork finished in the proposed colour has first been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The external woodwork shall be finished and thereafter retained as approved. Reason: To ensure the development is completed in a manner sympathetic to the site and its surroundings in accordance with Cotswold District Local Plan policies 42 and UT.1 and the provisions of the NPPF. The colour of the finish of the external woodwork will have a material effect on the appearance of the proposed development.

7. All garage doors shall be of vertical boarded timber and shall be permanently retained as such thereafter.

Reason: To ensure the development is completed in a manner sympathetic to the site and its surroundings in accordance with Cotswold District Local Plan policies 42 and UT.1 and the provisions of the NPPF.

8. The new rooflight(s) shall be of a design which, when installed, shall not project forward of the roof slope in which the rooflight(s) is/are located.

Reason: To ensure the development is completed in a manner sympathetic to the site and its surroundings in accordance with Cotswold District Local Plan policies 42 and UT.1 and the provisions of the NPPF.

9. The buildings hereby approved shall be constructed strictly in accordance with the finished slab levels shown by drawings 121/P/101 Rev B, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: It is important to ensure the accuracy of the levels and height of the development. The information is necessary to ensure an appropriate form of development, in accordance with the provisions of the NPPF and Cotswold District Local Plan policies 42 and UT.1.

#### 14/00808/FUL CT.2509/E

Location: Land to the rear of The Homestead, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TS Proposal: Erection of 2 dwellings (amendments to permission 12/05093/FUL including landscaping, rooflights, and use of artificial roof tiles, Plot 1: increase to size of single storey lean-to, increase to height of garage with external staircase and rooflights. Plot 2: second floor windows in gable end and utility room)

#### 14/01560/FUL CT.3887/4/C

Erection of summer house in front garden at 36 The Lennards, South Cerney

## 14/02262/DD

Fell Rowan at street record junction with School Lane and Silver Street, South Cerney

## Planning approval by Cotswold District Council not required.

# 14/01727/HPANOT

Applicants: Mr & Mrs Stephens, South View, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UR Proposal: Proposed rear extension. Distance from rear wall of original dwelling house -4m, maximum height -3.30m, height of eaves -2.40m at South View, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UR

## **Planning Appeals**

## 12/04734/FUL, 12/04735/LBC & 12/00173/ENF

Appeal against a listed building enforcement notice.

Site address: Mill House, Cerney Wick Lane, Cerney Wick, South Cerney GL7 5QJ Proposal: Conversion of The Mill and Barn B into domestic accommodation ancillary to the Mill House, including new natural stone slate roof over the Mill with replacement rooflights, demolition of modern extensions to the Mill House and erection of a new single storey extension, new roof over the garage and office, and replacement natural stone slate roofs over barns A and B and outbuildings 1 and 2

Decision: Dismissed

Award of Costs Decision: Refused

#### 13/02278/FUL

Site address: Horseshoe Lake, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UZ

Proposal: Erection of a Fishermen's Lodge and Clubhouse. Use of existing managers accommodation for overnight accommodation for members and visitors. (Amended scheme

to one previously approved under ref 05/03120/FUL)

Decision: Allowed

Award of Costs Decision: Allowed

There being no further business Cllr Nicholas had closed the meeting at 9.20pm.

The meeting agreed to a suggestion from Cllr Stuart that the Finance Committee report will be heard next.

# REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 9th JUNE

Cllr Mrs Land, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Webb attended the meeting. Cllr Webb opened the meeting at 9.20pm.

## **Election of Chairman**

Cllr Webb stated that Cllr Jay was prepared to stand again as Chairman if no other nominations had been received. It was proposed by Cllr Webb and seconded by Cllr Mrs Land that Cllr Jay continues as Chairman of the Finance Committee. The Committee voted all in favour.

#### **Election of Vice Chairman**

As no nominations had been received the Clerk asked Cllr Webb if he was willing to continue as Vice Chairman. Cllr Webb agreed to this request. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Land and seconded by Cllr Nicholas that Cllr Webb continues as Vice Chairman of the Finance Committee. The Committee voted all in favour.

#### Apology

Cllr Jay had sent an apology for his absence as he was on vacation. Cllr Stuart had earlier apologised for his absence as he had another very important engagement to attend.

#### **Spreadsheet Analysis**

The second spreadsheet was on target as expected.

## Contracts recommended by the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee

The Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee had no recommendations for the Finance Committee to consider.

#### **Payments Outstanding**

South Cerney Cricket Club Share of water £14.67

Cllr Stuart informed the Parish Council that the Cricket Club had settled its account by BACS although the Clerk stated that he would not be aware until a bank statement arrived at the beginning of July.

## **Payments In**

Cotswold District Council	Flood relief work	£2,000.00
South Cerney Cricket Club	Insurance contribution	£146.78
South Cerney Football Club	Insurance contribution	£281.15
South Cerney Football Club	Share of water bill	£14.67
Cotswold District Council	Final tranche of Cerney Wick grant	£6,300.00
Cotswold District Council	R-Way Grant	£2,000.00
		£10,742.60

#### **Payments Out**

	Thames Water Utilities Ltd	Upper Up playing fields supply	£29.34
A	Jai Cunningham	Payment for youth work (May)	£418.20
A	Cotswold Forest School	Payment for youth leader work (May)	£139.84
В	M. McKee	Clerk's travel (May)	£54.60
C	M. McKee	BT telephone, internet access (May)	£44.62
C	M. McKee	O <sub>2</sub> contract (May)	£9.05
E	M. McKee	Reimbursement for purchase of ink cartridges	£109.82
E	PATA (UK)	Payroll	£52.00
E	Petty Cash	Postage	£30.00
M	James Harris Contracting	To fell Rowan tree on Silver Street	£125.00
M	James Harris Contracting	Hire of 12 security fencing panels (May)	£234.10
M	R.O.W. Berry	Various maintenance jobs as invoiced	£645.00
M	R.O.W. Berry	Repair to seats on train at RFW play area	£54.00
M	Cirencester Fabrication	Refurbishment of slide shute	£456.00
Q	A. B. West	Litter collection and bus stop cleaning (May)	£100.00
S-S	Integral Engineering Design	Community Hall, Engineering stage D design	£4,320.00
S-S	White Design Associates Ltd	Community Hall, Design services stage D	£6,458.40
S-S	Cotswold District Council	Community Hall planning application fee	£385.00
U-U	Kelvin Wearing	Work on compost (May)	£96.00
U-U	Andy Cook Cycling	South Cerney Youth Cycling Activities	£720.00
U-U	South Cerney Art Group	Grant for art board purchase	£1,000.00
			£15,480.97

Cllr Webb had checked the Clerk's expenses and other invoices against the list and had found nothing untoward.

Cllr Kimberley was concerned at the claim from Jai Cunningham and requested that the Clerk send him a copy for his perusal.

Cllr Webb enquired about the charge for the repair of the manhole cover as the work had been carried out by another contractor although R.O.W. had charged for its supply. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr Berry and ask him to return the manhole cover to his supplier and credit the Parish Council with the proceeds.

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

## **Project recommendations**

There were no recommendations from Playing Fields & Village Maintenance Committee for acceptance

There being no further business Cllr Webb had closed the meeting at 9.25pm.

# REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 9th JUNE

Cllr Mrs Chapman, Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Mrs Land, Cllr Nicholas, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge attended the meeting. Cllr Stuart had opened the meeting at 6.45pm.

## **Apologies**

Cllr Harris had sent an apology for his absence as he was on vacation. Cllr Kimberley had sent an apology as he was engaged in other matters.

#### **Election of Chairman**

As no nominations had been received the Clerk asked Cllr Stuart if he was willing to continue as Chairman. Cllr Stuart agreed to this request explaining that this would be his last session as Chairman as he did not intend to stand at the next Parish Council election. Cllr Mrs Chapman surprisingly commented that she did not intend to stand at the next Parish Council election either. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Chubb and seconded by Cllr Mrs Chapman that Cllr Stuart continues as Chairman of the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee. The Committee voted all in favour.

#### **Election of Vice Chairman**

As no nominations had been received the Chairman suggested Cllr Kimberley if he was willing to remain in post as Vice Chairman. Cllr Kimberley will be asked if he wishes to continue at the next meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday.

The Chairman Cllr Stuart asked Cllr Kimberley if he was prepared to continue as Vice Chairman of the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee. Cllr Kimberley accepted the nomination. It was proposed by Cllr Stuart and seconded by Cllr Webb that Cllr Kimberley remains Vice Chairman of the Committee. The Parish Council was all in favour.

# **Matters Arising from previous Minutes**

# Compost Scheme (page 3355)

Cllr Stuart reported that both Kelvin and Ian have agreed that it is not economical to sort the bulky stuff and have asked that the entire pile be carted away and burnt. Although A.W. Services has estimated for the job and has been requested by Cllr Stuart by e-mail to do the work, no reply has been received from him. Consequently Cllr Stuart asked Bob Berry to provide a quotation. Adrian Chubb had quoted for the hauling of the stuff but declined to get involved in burning it.

# **Ramp (page 3356)**

Cllr Mrs Land had kindly given Cllr Stuart the details of a firm of surveyors who had asked her contact to furnish details of their fee structure etc. There was uncertainty if planning permission was necessary to install the ramp and Cllr Stuart will ask Mike Napper (CDC). Cllr Nicholas informed the Committee that Redrow had reiterated its offer to provide technical design for the project.

# Fencing at Cerney Wick (page 3356)

R.O.W. Berry had provided the Clerk with a verbal quote to restring the fencing between the play area and land owned by Julian Caunce. This was confirmed by email later. *See* Correspondence item 15. The Clerk reported that Jenny Pegler had assured him that Ian Fairbrother was also interested in the work and would provide a price for this meeting. Unfortunately no such quotation has been received.

At the Parish Council meeting as no further quotations had been received it was proposed by Cllr Stuart and seconded by Cllr Mrs Land that R.O.W. Berry be contracted to restring the fence at Cerney Wick play area for £85. The Parish Council was all in favour.

# Manhole Cover at Upper Up Cricket Club (page 3357)

The Cricket Club arranged for its contractor to replace the manhole cover near the Cricket Club's pavilion. Cllr Stuart reported that the job does seem to be very well finished.

## **Ground maintenance (page 3357)**

Cllr Stuart reported that he was very concerned about A.W. Services and its way of doing the work. Following the Clerk's stern note to Andy Woodman after last month's meeting Andy phoned Cllr Stuart and explained that he had been in hospital for an operation on his knee. Whilst he was away, his employees had seemingly carried on and had assured Andy that

they had done everything as per the contract. As he did not or could not check on that information, hence the incorrect invoice. Mr Woodman informed Cllr Stuart that the chaps involved no longer work for him. Cllr Stuart believes that he personally cut the verges in time for the Street Fair and someone from his firm did a pretty good job at Upper Up a week ago last Saturday but nothing since. Siddington Parish Council is also concerned that A.W. Services has not cut their grass for some four weeks. There appears that there is a major problem with this firm. Perhaps the Parish Council should consider finding if another contractor could be on stand-by if our current contractor fails to deliver? The Parish Council will debate its options at the meeting on Wednesday. The Clerk was asked to contact Ubico to enquire if it would be prepared to take on the contract for the remainder of the season.

# **Upper Up Car Park specification (page 3357)**

Cllr Stuart explained that as he had been on holiday he had not as yet sent out the specifications. However he had sourced several new contractors and will be sending out the details 'ere long.

# **Annual Inspection Report (page 3358)**

John Hicks re-inspected the slide following a request from the Clerk. *See* Correspondence item 1.

# **Provision of Timber Planters (page 3358)**

Cllr Stuart reported that there had only been a very limited response to articles in the Cerney News and the Standard. Helen at the alpaca farm had expressed interest in purchasing one or two as had Ann Croft. There were no volunteers to maintain them. In view of lack of interest the Parish Council will have to decide if it wishes to commit to maintaining the planters by employing contractors. The Committee agreed with Cllr Stuart who recommended that the Parish Council abandons the project.

At the Parish Council meeting it was agreed to accept the recommendation of the Committee and to scrap the idea of installing the planters. This was proposed by Cllr Stuart and seconded by Cllr Webb. The Parish Council was all in favour.

## **Flooding (pages 3355/3356)**

The situation is so critical with no action from neither Gloucestershire County Council or the Environment Agency, Cllr Stuart recommends that the Committee delays discussing this until Wednesday when Cllr Harris and hopefully GCC County Councillor Shaun Parsons will be present.

Cllr Stuart began by praising Cllr S. Parsons (GCC) for the hard work he knew that he had been involved with on behalf of this community although with very little result. Cllr Parsons (GCC) reported that he had been trying to get a date for the work on the old railway line from Liz Kirkham but was waiting for her to contact him. He promised to continue to apply pressure. He had been in contact with Richard Gray (Gloucestershire Highways) regarding the felling of the four Poplar trees in Bow Wow and had offered to contribute some of his fund if that would help expedite a solution. Cllr Harris had been in contact with a lady in Box Bush who had informed that her son will remove the sand bags.

## **INSPECTION REPORTS**

### **Cerney Wick**

Cllr Mrs Chapman reported that the playground and its equipment was in good order and being well used. The rubbish bin will need emptying. The Clerk informed Cllr Mrs Chapman that she could report the incident by telephoning 01285 623000. Cllr Mrs Chapman will contact Jenny Pegler about the wording of the notice at the entrance to the play area which intimated that the area was the property of Cerney Wick.

#### **Robert Franklin Way**

Cllr Mrs Chubb and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge had carried out the weekly inspections at Robert Franklin Way play area.

# **Upper Up**

Cllr Stuart had carried out the inspections. The chain on the Senior Swing requires fixing. Bob Berry had been requested to deal with the damage as he had the previous month. For the record Cllr Stuart reported that the grass had been cut by A.W. Services on Saturday 31st May.

#### TASK LIST ITEMS RELEVANT TO THE COMMITTEE

Cllr Stuart suggested that the Parish Council enquire from Cllr Parsons (GCC) if he has any ideas as to when the remaining trees in Bow Wow are to be felled by Gloucestershire Highways. *See* FLOODING report on the previous page.

## RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Committee had no recommendations for the Finance Committee.

#### **COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Cllr Stuart stated that following enquiries from the Royal British Legion, he had e-mailed Dave Burton at Redrow to enquire when the works to the War Memorial will be completed. He replied saying he had passed on the enquiry to Andrew Lowe who has today replied to me saying he is chasing the stone mason to get the stone bollards and chains reinstated after which the grass will be either seeded or turfed. He has asked if there is a neighbour who would kindly water the new grass if Redrow supply the hose and pay for the water. As the original bollards were made of concrete they did not match the stone of the memorial and it was agreed to obtain a price from the stone mason to replace the bollards with natural stone ensuring that they match the memorial. Mr Tony Squire had kindly offered stones from the churchyard which might be used. It is unlikely that we would need planning approval for an extra three bollards but to have them would mean that the existing chains would not fit the spaces and the extra cost would be considerable. It would be best to keep to the original layout. The Committee suggested that the stonemason should be asked to quote for doing that as well as giving a price for the nine new stone bollards. It was also suggested that if Parish Council agreed to purchase the new bollards, perhaps the Royal British Legion would consider financing the cost of the re-lettering. Regarding the lettering, it would be better if that were to be re-painted.

Since the meeting on Monday Peter Redfern from Royal British Legion emailed that RBL would be unable to bear the cost of the lettering as it is not allowed to spend charitable funds in this way. He explained that the accounts are audited by the County Office which would consider this expenditure improper. However, RBL is happy to help where possible, for example, with the watering, although this relies on volunteers whose services cannot be guaranteed.

Cllr Stuart was not concerned with the siting of the cardboard recycling bin at Berkeley Close. He would prefer that CDC made the choice whether to leave it or remove it, as CDC are probably benefitting financially from the sale of cardboard collected. Cllr Harris suggested that it might be a solution to move the recycling bin to the entrance of Ubico in Broadway Lane. CDC Waste department had emailed a second response to an enquiry from the Clerk explaining its next action. Georgina Osman (Customer Services Advisor at CDC) informed the Clerk that she had sent his email to George Lager & Sue Ponting our Environmental Wardens to see and respond to him about the need for the cardboard bank and the possibility of removing the cardboard bank from the site.

Cllr Mrs Chapman complained about a very large poster on the southern junction of Station Road and Cerney Wick Lane advertising the forthcoming World Cup event. The Clerk was asked to ask Yvonne Poole, CDC Enforcement Officer if she could investigate as Cllr Mrs Chapman considers it quite a distraction at this busy cross roads.

Cllr Nicholas was concerned about the ever increasing number of potholes, especially on the route of the forthcoming bicycle race which could well have to be abandoned on safety grounds if action to repair them are not carried out in time for the event. The Clerk will inform Richard Gray and Paul Swift at Gloucestershire Highways.

Cllr Stuart left the meeting at 7.28pm as he had another important engagement to attend. Cllr Nicholas, as Vice Chairman of the Parish Council, took over the remainder of the meeting.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Items of relevance to the Committee were noted.

Items 12 and 24 on the list from Mr Snowden of Kingfisher Place arguing for the removal of the litter bin in the vicinity of that development were discussed. Cllr Nicholas reminded the Committee that wherever a public seat was installed it was accompanied with a waste bin and there was no exception to that plan at the Kingfisher Place site. Parish Councillors regularly inspected the site and there had been no evidence that rubbish was causing concern. Cllr Nicholas advised any resident who has a complaint about overflowing rubbish bins to report it to 01285 623000 and arrangements would be made for a clearance. He also suggested that this information is published in the Parish Council page of Cerney News.

The Parish Council accepted the deliberations of the Committee and requested the Clerk to inform Mr Snowden that after discussing his and his neighbour's concerns about the siting of the public seat and its accompanying bin receptacle would remain in situ as a service to the public. The Clerk was asked to enquire from Cllr Bennett (CDC) about an outstanding request that a notice be attached to the bin informing the public of the number to ring in case the bin is overflowing or the area around it needs to be cleaned up.

Item 16. The copy letter to Geoffrey Clifton-Brown MP from Mr Nigel Riglar (GCC) was not appreciated as the delay to the work to reinstate the old railway line was long overdue. The Clerk reminded the Committee that the hire of the Herras fencing to protect the public was costing the Parish Council approximately £235 a month.

There being no further business Cllr Nicholas had closed the meeting at 7.35 pm.

## **ASSET REGISTER**

There had been some misunderstanding about the compilation of the register. The Clerk will email Cllr Mrs Tunbridge with the up-to-date register in order that she can edit out items which have been duplicated.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- 1. John Hicks & Associates Cerney Wick post installation inspection; Robert Franklin Way reinspection (emailed to Committee members)
- 2. GCC Planning and Development Unit 09/0014/CWMAJM Planning Committee at GCC meeting at 10am on 6th June to consider this application (emailed to Committee members)
- 3. GCC Commissioning Director (Communities and Infrastructure) Maintenance of Herras fence on old railway line (emailed to Committee members)

- 4. Youth and Community Hall Steering Committee Members acknowledge their willingness to continue: Cllr Jay, Cllr Nicholas, David Smith, Patrick Mills, David Croft
- 5. CDC 'Shaping the future of your Settlement': Further community engagement in the Cotswold District Local Plan 2011–2031 Local Green Spaces. Deadline extended for completed Tool Kits to Friday 18th July (emailed to Parish Councillors) Cllr Nicholas confirmed that he would complete the return by the deadline
- 6. Geoffrey Clifton-Brown MP Sustainable Communities Act Regulations (emailed to Parish Councillors)
- 7. Agreement to serve on Burial Authority Members acknowledge their willingness to continue: Graham James, Roger Webb, Richard Wrightson, Canon Rev D. Bowers, Tony Squire
- 8. Geoffrey Clifton-Brown MP Neighbourhood Plans (emailed to Committee members)
- 9. CDC Local Plan: Cotswold District Statement of Community Involvement is now available for public comment (emailed to Parish Councillors)
- 10. CDC Statement of Community Involvement Local Plan 2014 (passed to Cllr Nicholas)
- 11. GCC Active Together grant scheme (emailed to all Parish Councillors Jenny Pegler)
- 12. Mr Snowden Kingfisher Place litter bin
- 13. GCC Invitation from Jason Humm, Area Highways Manager (Commissioning) to attend a highways information evening on Monday 21st July from 6pm to 8.30pm in the Council Chamber, Shire Hall. RSVP before 7th July (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
- 14. GRCC Information on how to apply for a grant to undertake a Neighbourhood Plan (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
- 15. Quotation to repair damaged fence at Cerney Wick play area R.O.W. Berry
- 16. GCC (Nigel Riglar Commissioning Director: Communities and Infrastructure) copy letter to Geoffrey Clifton-Brown MP regarding maintenance of Herras fencing at Robert Franklin Way (old railway line)
- 17. Simon Littlewood (Building Design Ltd) Advice, quotation and suggestions on the installation of the ramp between Ham Lane and Sudeley Drive (emailed to members of the committee and Cllr Mrs Land)
- 18. Cllr M. Stuart Comments and recommendations for considerations by Committee (emailed to members of the committee)
- 19. GAPTC Draft changes to constitution of GAPTC (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
- 20. CDC (Cllr Nicholas Parsons) Provision of Gypsy and Traveller Sites 22nd May 2014 (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
- 21. CDC (Cllr Nicholas Parsons) Provision of Gypsy and Traveller Sites 5th June 2014. Comments start date 8th June, end date 4th August (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
- 22. GRCC Village of the Year competition launched. Deadline for entries Monday 14th July at 5pm (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
- 23. GAPTC Invitation to attend training courses on "Being a Better Councillor" and "Allotment Management" (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
- 24. Chris Snowden (1 Kingfisher Place) Objection to siting of bin in the vicinity of Kingfisher Place (emailed to members of the committee)
- 25. Came & Company Acknowledgement of receipt of insurance premium
- 26. Came & Company Certificate of Employers' Liability Insurance (posted to web site)
- 27. Came & Company Insurance schedule (emailed to members of the committee)

- 28. South Cerney Art Group Grateful acknowledgement to Parish Council for grant to replace display stands
- 29. Cllr Harris Concern about overhanging branches in Northmoor Lane from the junction with the main road to the airfield entrance which could strike the top of tall vehicles which are likely to be using the road to access the Steam Rally (emailed to members of the committee)
  - The Clerk was asked to inform Richard Gray and Paul Swift and ask them to inspect for overhanging branches before the Steam Rally on Friday 1st to Sunday 3rd August
- 30. Cllr Stuart email string detailing Environment Agency's lack of progress on flooding issues (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
- 31. Sarah Forbes Comments on planning proposal 14/02126/FUL for conversion of existing building to a Class A1 use including new shop front and demolition of outbuilding to the rear. Erection of two dwellings, garages and associated works to the rear including car parking and landscaping at Carted Barn, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UG (emailed to members of the committee)

#### **COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Cllr Harris reported that he had taken down the Rowan tree at the corner of Silver Street and School Lane. The stump will need to be ground down and he will prepare a specification for the work.

Cllr Harris noted that the Japanese Knot Weed alongside the bridge at Fanshawe Weir needs attention as it was showing signs of infestation. The Clerk was asked to contact Ben Welborn at Cotswold Water Park Trust to see what might be arranged.

Cllr Mrs Chubb wanted to know how to report a faulty street light. The Clerk will send her a link which she can access over the internet.

Cllr Mrs Layton reported that funds to subsidise the World War I commemoration had been granted. Grants had also been awarded to the Youth group.

Cllr Kimberley complained about the height of weeds at most cross roads in the Parish, especially at Berry Farm. Cllr Mrs Layton had reported this to Gloucestershire Highways.

Cllr Nicholas informed the Parish Council that a planning application for the building of the Youth and Community Centre will be lodged with CDC tomorrow.

#### **ITEMS FOR CERNEY NEWS**

The continuing disturbance to the public right of way on the old railway line near Robert Franklin Way play area.

Remind residents that the number to use for reporting waste matters was 01285 644864.

Ham Lane is now, or it will be by the time the Cerney News is published, a Restricted Byway. That is it may be used by walkers and riders but not motorised vehicles or motorbikes.

Encourage membership of R-Way.

Inform residents that the project to install planters at the village entrances has had to be abandoned as there were no volunteers willing to service them.

There being no further business Cllr Stuart closed the meeting at 10.15pm.