

Cllr Nicholas welcomed Mervyn Dobson and Andrew Martin from Pegasus Planning Group Ltd, and Tim Noden from Harrow Estates to this meeting with Parish Councillors to inform them of how the plans to develop the former Aggregate Industries Site, south of The Limes previously known historically as the CAMAS site, were progressing. It surprised Parish Councillors to learn from Mr Dobson that South Cerney was now defined in the Cotswold Local Plan as a Principal Settlement. This change had happened since the inspector's report in 2003. Through a slide presentation Mr Dobson endeavoured to show the rationale for the further development of the site. It was important to transform the brownfield site and residential use was considered most appropriate as he pointed out that there was a continuing housing land supply shortfall and the proposal would make a contribution to the area. The main results of the public consultation carried out in May at which approximately 240 attended; 73 feedback forms were completed although the consultation was kept open until 7th June and even after then, comments were accepted. The main issues raised were access arrangements from The Limes, the scale of development, the capacity of the village infrastructure, location of the children's play area and scope to include new community facilities. Other concerns raised included traffic impact, parking provision, affordable housing, employment land provision and Section 106 contributions. It was concluded that generally there was support for the development of the brownfield site. Changes to the plan as a result of the consultation was the access arrangements from The Limes with the scheme amended to show the main vehicular access would be through the Mallards with the route through The Limes restricted to emergency use only and pedestrian and cycle links to Station Road. The children's play area would now be closer to the proposed residential dwellings although provision will be maintained for natural play areas in the woodland. The number of dwellings had been reduced to 170 which equates to 27 per hectare and with consultation there could be up to 50 per cent affordable homes. Mr Dobson did agree however that such a proportion was unlikely. Further changes resulting from the consultation included the re-grading of the waters edge to enhance the public open space and ecological potential, improved accessibility to the existing woodland and new areas of public open space. There was also the provision of land to be made available for a new community hall. The next steps were that an application will be submitted shortly and once validated the plans will be available on Harrow Estates website www.harrowestates.co.uk. Harrow Estates will write to residents to inform them that the planning application has been submitted, how it responded to the consultation feedback and how to comment on the plans.

Cllr Nicholas enquired how would the emergency access through The Limes operate? Mr Dobson explained that there were options which included fixed bollards, rising bollards and/or security cameras backed up with financial penalties if instructions were ignored.

Cllr Jay asked about the long term maintenance of the play areas? Mr Noden said that Harrow Estates would be flexible in its arrangements. To begin with the developers would maintain the areas but he would welcome discussions with the Parish Council on its future.

Cllr Harris was concerned with the missing link in the circular footpath around the extended area. He was assured that there is a woodland management plan which will improve the area in the long term.

Cllr Webb asked if there was a Plan B if this proposal was turned down. Mr Noden said that it makes sense to use the area for housing rather than for industrial use. There was an option for small scale industrial development but this would be as a last resort.

Cllr Nicholas thanked the party for attending and for the openness of the dialogue. The group then left the meeting.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SOUTH CERNEY ON WEDNESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER 2010

Vice Chairman P. Nicholas
 Parish Councillor J. Caunce
 Mrs F. Chapman
 Mrs E. Chubb
 J. Harris
 J. Kimberley
 P. Jay
 Mrs C. Tunbridge
 R. Webb
 E. Jenkins (CDC)
 P. Messenger (CDC)
 Jasmin Tresadern (Youth Parish Council)

Eight members of the public were present.

The Vice Chairman of the meeting, Cllr Nicholas opened proceedings at 7.37pm. To ease proceedings Cllr Nicholas, with the agreement of the assembled Parish Councillors, rearranged the order of the published agenda and promoted the Planning Committee report to item 4 on the agenda.

APOLOGIES

Cllr Mrs Land had apologised as she had a family commitment.
 Cllr Stuart had apologised as he was on holiday.
 Cllr Bennett (CDC) had apologised for his absence.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11TH AUGUST 2010

Page 2725 – last paragraph, first line: change “living van” to “living-van”.

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Kimberley that the minutes, as amended, were a true and accurate record. Cllr Mrs Tunbridge abstained as she had not attended the meeting. The remaining of the Parish Councillors were all in favour.

YOUTH REPORT

Jasmin Tresadern reported that plans were being discussed for the formation of a youth cinema within the group. The popularity of a proposed trip to the ski facility at Gloucester meant that the party would now be split into two sections. Jasmin explained that since the “Get Our Way” the group now exceeded 20. No action had been forthcoming on the revival of the Youth Parish Council although some of the group intended to attend the Refresh and Review of the Village Plan on 6th October in the Village Hall. As she had nothing else to report, Jasmin then left the meeting. The Vice Chairman thanked her for attending the meeting.

REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER

Cllr Mrs Chapman, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Webb had attended the meeting. One member of the public was present. Cllr Nicholas had opened the meeting at 9 pm.

Apologies

Cllr Mrs Land had sent an apology for her absence due to a family commitment.
 Cllr Stuart apologised for his absence as he was on holiday.

Matters Arising

06/00525/FUL (Waters Edge, Lake 10)

Yvonne Poole, CDC Enforcement Officer emailed to confirm that the pathway on the site is open at both ends. (See correspondence item no.7)

Planning Applications received by Cotswold District Council

The Committee had agreed with Cllr Nicholas who recommended that the application for the revised scheme on land at Ham Cottage, Ham Lane should be discussed first as the applicant Mrs Gill was present.

10/03458/FUL

Applicants: Mr & Mrs M. Gill, Ham Cottage, Ham Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UF

Proposal: Revised scheme for proposed new dwelling and hammerhead on land at Ham Cottage, Ham Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UF

Mrs Gill explained the various aspects of the revised plan including the new elevations. Cllr Nicholas stated that personally he thought that this new plan was an enormous improvement on the previous one. Cllr Mrs Chapman stated that the new design is much better now as it is not overlooking neighbouring properties. Cllr Webb could see no reason for objecting to the new project. Cllr Stuart had emailed that he wished to object as the proposed dwelling would over-power the rest of the dwellings in the area as it was too large, too far back on the plot and too close to existing houses in Sudeley Drive.

Mrs Gill welcomed all queries from interested parties, either personally or by email.

Mrs Gill had then left the meeting.

At the Parish Council meeting Cllr Nicholas stated that the main reasons for the previous inspector's objections had been addressed by this new plan. He then invited those present to make their statements.

Ian Kennedy stated that he was the appointed spokesman for those objecting both in the hall and beyond even though some were unable to attend. Mr Kennedy complained about the lack of time given for a response to the application between its promulgation and this meeting. Generally he continued that objections would be made because of the threat of flooding, biodiversity and privacy.

The Parish Council agreed with Cllr Nicholas who stated that it would be best to defer its recommendation until closer to the deadline of 24th September to give time to those objectors to commit their reasons to paper and asked that these be sent to Cotswold District Council with a copy to the Clerk who would then pass them on to Parish Councillors much in the same way as applications were handled when a decision was to be ratified by the Parish Council because of a short deadline. Parish Councillors would then vote electronically and a response would be given to the CDC. A deadline of 22nd September for receipt of letters from objectors was agreed. Although all Parish Councillors would be included in the discussion, Parish Councillors Jay, Harris, Kimberley and Webb all declared prejudicial interests and would not vote as they were friends or associates of various objectors.

Members of the public then left the meeting.

10/03104/FUL (new details)

Applicant: Colmar Ltd, Grovesnor House, Market Place, Tetbury, Glos

Construction of showroom office store and assembly works at Unit H, Lakeside Business Park, Broadway Lane, South Cerney

This proposal is outside of the currently permitted use of the industrial site which was for B1/B2 and B8 use. To allow the development as a showroom would be a change of permitted use. There is no objection to the appearance. If permission is granted then a condition should be imposed to effectively maintain that retail use should only be ancillary to the main light industrial use.

OBJECTION

10/03441/FUL

Applicants: Mr & Mrs S. Broadhurst, 47 Meadow Way, South Cerney GL7 6HY

Proposal: Erection of two storey extension to rear at 47 Meadow Way, South Cerney GL7 6HY
Cllr Stuart had emailed objecting to this application as he considered that there was insufficient ground to build an extension.

The remainder of the committee had no objection.

NO OBJECTION

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

Planning Applications granted by Cotswold District Council

10/01691/FUL CT.1470/1/H

Change of use from leisure club to holiday lodge at Watermark Club, Spring Lakes, Station Road, South Cerney

Conditions to note: 2. Notwithstanding Classes C2 and C3 of the Schedule of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987, or the equivalent to that Class in any statutory instrument amending or replacing the 1987 Order or any other change of use permitted by the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995, the accommodation shall be used to provide holiday accommodation only, which shall not be occupied as permanent, unrestricted accommodation or as a primary place of residence.

Reason: The site is not suitable for permanent, unrestricted accommodation or as a primary place of residence because of its open countryside location in accordance with Cotswold District Local Plan Policies 19 and UT.1.

3. The use hereby permitted shall not commence until Applicant has provided alternative leisure/ recreational facilities at Summer Lake/Lake 11, Spine Road East, South Cerney.

Reason: The current facilities at Spring Lakes are used by a number of lodge owners on sites within the locality owned by the Applicant. The provision of alternative facilities within the locality would provide a sustainable option for lodge owners/holiday makers reducing the need for travel by the private car. This is in accordance with PPS1, PPG13 and UT.1.

10/03141/LBC

Mr Philip Cernik, Brook Cottage, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TP

Proposal: Erection of a satellite dish at Brook Cottage, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TP

10/03365/TCONR

This application type was for information purposes only and was not open to consultation. No initial alert would have been sent.

Ash rear corner of garden – reduce by one third at 12 Edwards College, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TR

Planning Application withdrawn

10/03052/FUL

Change of use from agricultural land to a caravan, tent and motorhome site. Erection of facilities block on land parcel to the east of the Crown Inn, The Street, Cerney Wick

Correspondence

7. CT.2648/3/P (footpath Waters Edge Lake 10) – Copy letters from GCC PROW; Marcus Kitchen (ex CDC Principal Planner) (emailed to Parish Councillors)

There being no further business Cllr Nicholas had closed the meeting at 9.50 pm.

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising which had not been dealt with by the committee meetings.

CLERK'S REPORT

During August of the 20 available working days I averaged 2 hours 40 minutes per day which is about 1 hour a day less than my contract allows. Now that the summer breaks are coming to an end I anticipate that my workload will increase accordingly.

REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER

Cllr Caunce, Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Harris, Cllr Kimberley, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge attended the meeting. Cllr Caunce had opened the meeting at 7 pm.

Apologies

Cllr Stuart had apologised for his absence as he was on holiday.

Matters Arising from previous Minutes

Salt Bins

Paul Swift (Gloucestershire Highways) had informed Cllr Caunce that he would supply three bins. The exact locations had yet to be determined but generally they would be positioned in Cerney Wick, Box Bush and in the vicinity of Ann Edwards School. Cllr Nicholas will liaise with the school management as to where the bin could be positioned.

Youth Shelter

Cllr Caunce will contact Paul Swift and ask for his advice on repairing the floor area of the Youth Shelter at Upper Up. As only one estimate had been received it was decided in the interests of fairness and prudence that a second opinion on a solution should be sought.

MUGA Wall

It was considered that there was no compelling reason to move the wall to the end of the MUGA area. Cllr Harris noted that the tarmac at the edge of the wall was deteriorating and would need attention. The centre supporting post which was out of alignment was not considered a problem at this time. The Clerk will ask Graham Ross for the name(s) of a supplier who might be contacted to paint the area under the basketball net with the appropriate court markings.

Upper Up Car Park Surface

Cllr Stuart and Cllr Harris had created a specification for the augered holes and associated works. Contractors had been in contact with the Clerk suggesting that the 40mm top dressing would be too large and the 16 tonnes insufficient. Cllr Harris was now of the opinion that the

area should be rolled after the top dressing had been applied. The Clerk will ask all those contractors involved to provide a separate costing for the dressing to be 20mm and rolled, and the amount to be that which was considered necessary.

Tree Work

Cllr Harris noted that a limb of a tree near to the entrance of the Langet off Upper Up had broken off. The Committee agreed with a suggestion from Cllr Caunce that the Tree Wardens inspect the damaged limb and other work in Bow Wow and report their findings to the meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday.

Play Train at Robert Franklin Way play area

Cllr Kimberley had received a quotation from Playline Design Ltd for £2,648 (ex VAT) for the installation and delivery of a replacement train unit on the children's play area at Robert Franklin Way. With the agreement of the Committee, Cllr Kimberley will contact the Play Group and ask them if they would remove the redundant equipment by 1st November. Cllr Kimberley updated the Parish Council stating that the Play Group had thanked the Parish Council for considering it but declined the offer as the cost of the repairs at £1,500 was more than it was prepared to outlay. The Parish Council agreed to a suggestion from Cllr Caunce that the kit be offered to Cerney Wick. It was made perfectly clear that the unit needed repairs and would have to pass a post installation check by a registered playground inspector. If the management committee at Cerney Wick was prepared to accept the equipment then it must be removed from its site at Robert Franklin Way by 1st November. In the event that the offer was refused Cotswold Forest School would be able to make use of it.

INSPECTION REPORTS

Upper Up

Cllr Caunce gave the report which Cllr Stuart had emailed to him prior to his departure on holiday. On the Junior Swing a chain link on one bucket seat had jammed. Cllr Harris volunteered to sort it out. The centre post of the kick-wall had been bent towards the basketball net.

Robert Franklin Way

Cllr Mrs Chubb and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge had carried out the weekly inspections at Robert Franklin Way play area. All equipment was in a satisfactory condition.

Cerney Wick

Cllr Caunce made his report. All was in order. The damaged swing seats had been replaced.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Kimberley had been in contact with Stephen Wrigley regarding the re-equipping of the play area at Cerney Wick. Cllr Caunce will provide Mr Wrigley with a Wicksteed Leisure catalogue so that he can acquaint himself with the range and prices of play equipment.

Cllr Harris noted that the weeds in the vicinity of the War Memorial needed to be sprayed. The Clerk will contact Adrian Gibbs and ask him to spray the weeds in preparation for the Remembrance Day parade in November.

Cllr Harris reported that the post and rail fence on the Tennis Court side of the Upper Up car park had been damaged. That discussion progressed to altering the entrance of the car park to restrict the access of larger vehicles using the area as a turning point. It was agreed that options for the alteration of the entrance be discussed as an agenda item at next month's committee meeting.

Cllr Harris reported that he had removed the armchair which had originally been fly tipped near the Millennium Seat in Bow Wow but subsequently moved to the river. Cllr Harris proceeded to return the piece of furniture to its owner's property who was unaware of its travels.

Cllr Nicholas reported that the street/road sign at the South Cerney end of Northmoor Lane on the Cirencester Road leaving the village has been broken, possibly having been in contact with a vehicle. The Clerk will report the damage to relevant authority.

Cllr Caunce will ask Ian Kennedy to provide a specification of ground clearance work required in the vicinity of the Scout Hut. The Committee is of the opinion that it will be in the interests of the Parish Council's ambitions to persuade the Cotswold District Council to grant this area for the use of the community if it is seen to keep the land in a usable condition for youth activities.

TASK LIST

The task list was updated and a copy had been emailed to Parish Councillors.

There being no further business Cllr Caunce had closed the meeting at 8.18 pm.

REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER

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

Apologies

Cllr Mrs Land had sent an apology for her absence due to a family commitment.
Cllr Stuart apologised for his absence as he was on holiday.

Matters Arising

Locum Clerk

The Clerk was asked to enquire at the next meeting of the SLCC scheduled for October 7th if there was a provision for the supply of locum clerks if a Clerk could not attend a meeting or found the work to onerous due to holiday commitments or some such event.

Community First Landfill Grant

Cllr Jay noted that the Parish Council had agreed that it was minded to make a payment of £2,800 to secure the landfill grant at its meeting in August. The overall cost of the project was now £12,538 which could mean that the payment required is reduced to approximately £2,000. The need to access such an amount quickly was paramount to securing the grant. Cllr Jay was alerting the Parish Council to the possible need to raise a cheque on short notice.

Spreadsheet Analysis

The fifth month of the spreadsheet was consistent and there was no exceptions to report. It should be noted however that the expenditure in the sixth month would move the indexes in a negative direction. This was part of the financial cycle and the trend will rebalance itself.

Recommendation for acceptance from the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee

The Playing Field and Village Maintenance Committee requested that the Finance Committee accepts its recommendation that a payment of £35 to R.O.W. be agreed. The Committee had no objection.

Councillors' Allowances

Cllr Jay drew attention to the regulations governing the award of allowances to Councillors. He would like to remind recipients of the conditions under which the allowance is granted. Regulation 3.1 The basic allowance is intended to recognise the time commitment of all councillors, including such inevitable calls on their time as meetings with constituents and formal meeting attendance. Paid at a flat rate, the basic allowance is also intended to cover such costs as telephone calls, postage, travel costs and journeys not eligible for payment and other incidental costs such as the use of their homes.

Payments Outstanding

Thames Water	Outstanding fees (MAI) (ex VAT)	£4,894.90
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Payments In

Cerney Lakes Tennis Club	Water bill (reassessed share)	£20.00
Football Club	Water bill 20-05-10 to 19-08-10	£16.57
Cricket Club	Water bill 20-05-10 to 19-08-10	<u>£11.04</u>
		£47.61

Payments Out

Petty Cash	Bus shelter cleansing (September)	£50.00
Petty Cash	Litter picking (September)	£100.00
Petty Cash	Postage	£30.00
M. McKee	BT telephone, internet access (August)	£37.52
M. McKee	Clerk's travel (August)	£24.70
Mary Mychalecky	Reimbursement (Youth Account)	£58.30
	hire of generator for Get Your Way event	
South Cerney Football Club	Use of premises (Youth Account)	£50.00
T. W. Bryant	Play surface at Cerney Wick and Upper Up	£90.00
Thames Water Utilities Ltd	Water bill 20-05-10 to 19-08-10	£27.61
Julian Caunce	Councillor's Allowance	£400.00
James Harris	Councillor's Allowance	£400.00
Doris Land	Councillor's Allowance	£400.00
Michael Stuart	Councillor's and Chairman's Allowances	£800.00
Carol Tunbridge	Councillor's Allowance	£400.00
Glos County Council	4 week SCOEC sessions (Youth Account)	£500.00
Wicksteed Leisure	4 Flat Rubber Safety Seats	£152.99
Adrian Gibbs	Ground maintenance (August)	£787.25
R.O.W. Berry	Fitting 4 swing seats at Cerney Wick	£35.00
Philip Dickenson	Cut back bushes at Cerney Wick and pyracanthas at Robert Franklin Way play areas	£323.12
Kelvin Wearing	Composting labour (August)	<u>£120.00</u>
		£4,786.49

It had been proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council agrees with the recommendation of the Committee to make the above payments. The Committee was all in favour. Cllr Webb had inspected the invoices and agreed the Clerk's travel expenses for August.

At the Parish Council meeting it was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council agrees with the recommendations of the Finance Committee. The Parish Council was all in favour.

There being no further business Cllr Jay had closed the meeting at 9 pm.

ELECTRONIC DISSEMINATION OF DOCUMENTS

As it had been six months since the Parish Council decided to trial the circulation of documents through email, Cllr Webb queried if the method was to continue. Cllr Jay stated that as the scheme progressed, new skills had been acquired in the printing process and he was all in favour of keeping the arrangement as it was such an improvement on the old system. No one was positively against the method although there were one or two occasions when large documents caused production problems. If difficulties occurred in future, Parish Councillors should contact the Clerk who will arrange for a hard copy although this would obviously delay receipt. Another problem was annotating a document which was not generally possible on screen, especially if the document was in a postscript descriptive format (.pdf). Another gain was the reduction in the Clerk's travel expenses as it was not now necessary to make so many journeys to deliver information. Parish Councillors decided to continue with the electronic distribution method.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Get Our Way event: Questionnaire responses (emailed to Parish Councillors)
2. Get Our Way event: The bright ideas of South Cerney's young people (emailed to Parish Councillors)
3. Cotswold Canals Trust – TROW magazine Autumn 2010; summary of accounts for the year ended 31st March 2010 (on circulation to Parish Councillors)
4. GPFA – The Playing Field newsletter Summer 2010 (on circulation to Parish Councillors)
5. Richard Wrightson – Accepts invitation to serve as a member of the Burial Authority
6. Sonia Stickley – Family history enquiry (emailed to Parish Councillors)
7. CT.2648/3/P (footpath Waters Edge Lake 10) – Copy letters from GCC PROW; Marcus Kitchen (ex CDC Principal Planner) (emailed to Parish Councillors)
8. CPRE – Invitation to attend Westmill Wind Farm and Coleshill National Trust Estate on Thursday 16th September at 2.30pm (emailed to Parish Councillors)
9. RAF Charitable Trust Enterprises – Letter of thanks from Tim Prince Chief Executive RIAT & RAFCTE (emailed to Parish Councillors)
10. Gloucestershire Link – Invitation to attend Glos Link forum for update on its activities on Friday 10th September between 12 noon and 2pm at Keble Room, Fairford Community Centre (emailed to Parish Councillors)
11. Jim Jones (St John Ambulance) – First aid training opportunity (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
12. Park Leisure – Agreement for the procurement of quotations for refurbishment of Youth Shelter base (emailed to Committee)
13. My Play Ltd – Offering services for playground maintenance and repair
14. Clerks & Councils Direct – September 2010 (on circulation to all Parish Councillors)
15. No Need For Nuclear campaign – Support being sought for House of Commons Early Day Motion No. 557: Inquiry into new nuclear power stations; letter emailed to all Parish Councillors, newspaper on circulation
16. Quote for surface refurbishment work on Upper Up car park
 - (a) NB Construction (Neil Hartell)
 - (b) Philip Dickenson

17. Sue Ryder Care – Donation appeal to list; LINK magazine (on circulation to all Parish Councillors)
18. NB Construction (Neil Hartell) – Quote to make good base after unsatisfactory installment of Youth Shelter and repositioning the equipment on the MUGA
19. A. J. Squire – 10/03458/FUL Objection on behalf of all residents of Sudeley Drive and Ham Lane who received notification of application
20. GCC (Nicola Deakins) – Request for names of those who will attend the Highways & Transport seminar on 28th September (RSVP)
21. GAPTC – Invitation to attend 73rd GAPTC AGM on Thursday 14th October at Shire Hall, Gloucester at 6 pm. RSVP
22. Local Council Review – The Voice of Local Councils Autumn 2010 magazine (on circulation to all Parish Councillors)

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Webb attended a meeting of the Cotswold Water Park Society Joint Committee on Friday 3rd September. It had been agreed at the meeting that removal of the Japanese Knotweed from rivers in the area should be a priority. The Clerk was requested to write to the CWPS to remind it to deal with the knotweed in the vicinity of the Churn bridge in Clarks Hay.

Cllr Webb asked the Clerk to inform Mike Barton GCC PROW that the public footpath BSC45 was very overgrown and needed to be cleared. Also the excessive growth on the path in the vicinity of Waters Meet café on the Spine Road should be cut back.

Cllr Counce will contact Paul Swift and ask him to have another try at clearing the overgrowing hedge at the junction of Station Road and Spine Road as his first effort was not good enough.

Cllr Harris considered that the hedges on the Upper Up playing field needed to be flailed back and asked the Clerk to enquire from Mr F. Timbrell how much this would cost.

Cllr Jay reported on a meeting which Parish Councillors Nicholas and Stuart had with Ian Kennedy at the Scout Hut in Berkeley Close. Cllr Jay was very impressed with the refurbishment which had been carried on the hut. Ian Kennedy had been asked to provide a specification of what ground maintenance work was needed. Cllr Jay suggested that a charity was formed in the village to access funds from providers who might then support certain village projects which would not in the present circumstances be eligible. Charitable status could help provide a way to overcome bureaucratic obstacles. Cllr Nicholas was also impressed with the renovation and stated that the building and site were an undervalued asset which should be protected.

Cllr Jay was disappointed that Mr Richardson Head Teacher at Ann Edwards School had not kept the Parish Council informed on the Walk on Wednesday scheme. He asked the Clerk to enquire from Mr Richardson on how the project was progressing.

Cllr Jenkins (CDC) informed the Parish Council that at the Cotswold Water Park Society meeting on Friday 3rd September there was a plan tabled for a new structure. Cllr Jenkins was perturbed that once again there was a lack of transparency. He would like to see a public consultation from across the Water Park on any new changes to the organisation. He was in favour of representatives of the 'Three Parishes' insisting that the commitments agreed at the public meeting chaired by Geoffrey Clifton-Brown MP are followed through.

The Parish Council asked the Clerk to arrange a meeting with Matthew Millett, Acting Joint Chief Executive at the Cotswold Water Park Society.

Cllr Harris was concerned that the reasons given by Gloucestershire Highways for not securing the river bank through Bow Wow were invalid. The work by the gas and electric services had not started, yet the banks continued to deteriorate. The Clerk was asked to contact Chris Franklin at Gloucestershire Highways to inform that the work was outstanding. Cllr Jenkins (CDC) said that he would speak to Mr Franklin about the delay.

ITEMS FOR PUBLICATION IN CERNEY NEWS

Remind residents of the Refresh and Review of the Village Plan meeting on 6th October.

Ask again for funding requests to be presented for consideration by the Parish Council when it decides on its precept.

Report the success of the 'Get Our Way' event, the ski slope trip to Gloucester and the sleep-over being planned by the Cotswold Forest School all of which were a direct result of the enthusiasm generated by the youth of the village.

There being no further business Cllr Nicholas closed the meeting at 9.53 pm.