

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL,  
SOUTH CERNEY ON WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2010

Chairman: M. Stuart  
 Vice Chairman: P. Nicholas  
 Parish Councillors: J. Cauce  
                           Mrs F. Chapman  
                           Mrs E. Chubb  
                           J. Harris  
                           P. Jay  
                           J. Kimberley  
                           Mrs D. Land  
                           Mrs C. Tunbridge  
                           R. Webb  
                           C. Bennett (CDC)  
                           E. Jenkins (CDC)  
                           S. Parsons (GCC)  
                           Youth Group delegation  
                           Member of the Press

The Chairman of the meeting, Cllr Stuart opened proceedings at 7.30 pm.

**APOLOGIES**

Cllr Bennett (CDC) apologised for the absence of Cllr Messenger (CDC).

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2010**

It was proposed by Cllr Webb and seconded by Cllr Mrs Chubb that the minutes were a true and accurate record. The Parish Council was all in favour.

**YOUTH REPORT**

Emily Hallett, Jasmin Tresadern and Chris Wearing of the Youth Group attended the Parish Council meeting. Chris volunteered to make the unscripted report. He informed the Parish Council that the group had lots of meetings and discussed lots of plans. One meeting was held in the church which was cold and the search continued for a temporary building. It was hoped that such a structure could be sited near the Scout HQ. Events were being organised to be held there and if these projects are supported it will help in the bidding process for funds. Emily is preparing a preliminary proposal for a lottery bid which if accepted will be refined at a later stage. Emily said that the team were all working incredibly hard trying to make the group a success. Evidence of this was a recent outing when the minibus was not capable of seating the crowd who turned up and parents had to be drafted in to supplement the transport. Jasmin reported that the group had gone to see a Harry Potter movie and a trip to Cribbs Causeway for Christmas shopping was organised for the 11th December. Cllr Cauce informed the meeting that the cost of the transport was from the Youth fund as allowed for in the Village Plan. The Chairman wished the party every success and best wishes for Christmas and the new year. The group then left.

The Chairman requested the member of the Press, with the agreement of the Parish Council, to leave the room as the next item was of a confidential nature and this part of the session would be closed to members of the public.

**CLLR BENNETT (CDC) REPORT**

Cllr Bennett (CDC) briefed the Parish Council on a meeting he had with officers at CDC to discuss issues relevant to the community. After the briefing Cllr Stuart thanked Cllr Bennett (CDC) for sharing the confidential information with the Parish Council.

## MATTERS ARISING

### **Public Access Defibrillator (PAD)**

Cllr Nicholas briefed the Parish Council on a very useful meeting he had on 2nd December with Kevin Dickens of Great Western Ambulance Service (GWAS) and Martin Fagan of Community Heartbeat Trust (CHT). They are very keen to help us with a Community Public Access Defibrillator (cPAD). Some of the points we discussed were: the PAD is a wall-mounted weather proof cabinet containing an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED); the cPAD supplied through CHT would cost £1,650 (no VAT); it comes with a 7 year manufacturer's warranty (from Ce.TEK); it requires connection to a mains electricity supply (costing about £30 per annum) so a qualified electrician would be required to do that for us; the cPAD would be owned by the Parish Council (so we would cover damage to the equipment under our insurance); a responsible person would have to be appointed as 'Custodian' of the cPAD to check the (green) operating light once a week and to start it up once a month; CHT will provide us with a form of agreement which we can enter into with the Phoenix Surgery covering whose pays for the electricity supply etc; the cabinet has a keypad access. A call is made to 999 and the ambulance controller tells you the location of the cPAD and the code to open the box; this procedure means the person operating the machine immediately has the protection of the GWAS/NHS public liability insurance; anyone making a 999 call within a pre-determined isochrone ('time bubble') of the machine would be told about its location; the AED machine gives audible operating instructions (starting with "Keep calm!"); the AED is suitable for use on (and probably by!) children as young as nine; the type of AED supplied by CHT is the same machine as GWAS have approved and installed in the Cotswold Leisure Centres; when the PAD is used, GWAS automatically have a record of that; after the event, GWAS offer a de-brief (counselling) to the user; the cost of replacing the contact pads after each use (and any other consumables, such as a replacement battery) is covered for the first 7 years under the CHT service agreement.

Kevin Dickens is GWAS Community Response Manager for the Cotswolds, and is keen to use our PAD as an opportunity to promote the development of Community First Responders (and perhaps subsidised community First Aid training) in the village. He would like to come to our next available 7pm half-hour slot, to answer any other questions we have. The PAD could be delivered in February, and then Kevin would arrange a public meeting in the Village Hall to launch it. I have also spoken to Sheila Jeffery (CDC), who is keen to promote PADs throughout the District. Perhaps CDC could make a contribution to the cost?

Cllr Caunce and Cllr Harris volunteered to canvas local businesses for financial support. Cllr Jay will put a proposal to the South Cerney Trust to encourage its support.

Cllr Jay proposed and Cllr Caunce seconded a motion that the project is included as a Village Plan project. The Parish Council was unanimously in favour.

### **Footpath in Silver Street**

The Clerk will ask Chris Franklin (Gloucestershire Highways) to consider refurbishing the footpath in Silver Street, northwards of Atkyns Manor for approximately 40 yards. The Parish Council is minded to financially support the refurbishment of this stretch of footpath.

## **CLERK'S REPORT**

During November of the 22 available working days I averaged just less than 3 hours per day which is less than my contract allows for. In retrospect this balances the excess spent in the previous period. Cllr Caunce enquired if the Clerk was content with the arrangement to which I replied that I was.

## **REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLAYING FIELDS AND VILLAGE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2010**

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

### **Matters Arising from previous Minutes**

#### **Salt Bins**

Cllr Caunce had met up with Paul Swift (Gloucestershire Highways) for further consultation on the siting of the salt bins. The Warden at Box Bush house had organised the provision of a salt bin near to the elderly peoples' day centre from another source.

#### **Youth Shelter**

Cllr Caunce asked members of the Committee for their views on the state of the youth shelter base. Cllr Caunce and Cllr Mrs Chubb both agreed with Cllr Stuart who said that the job should be finished off properly. Cllr Nicholas was also of the opinion that the work should be carried out. A revised quotation was expected from Mr Meredith, a contractor recommended by Paul Swift (Gloucestershire Highways).

#### **Scout HQ Grounds**

Cllr Stuart had found out from a CDC official he had met, that the Scout HQ grounds had been earmarked for social housing development and the present lease will probably not extend beyond the next five years. The Committee agreed that the three District Councillors should be encouraged to join with the Parish Council to try to halt any development of the Scout HQ ground in favour of providing a much needed facility for the youth of the village and its wider community.

#### **Parking on Grass Verges**

Cllr Stuart suggested that PC Andy Burfoot is informed of the Parish Council's annoyance with people who parked their vehicles on grass verges. Currently there are two such incidents to report.

#### **Slippery Surfaces on Wooden Bridges**

Cllr Nicholas asked the Clerk to report that the surface of the wooden bridge at the western end of the Upper Up playing field needs wire mesh laid to provide a safer surface for users, especially in icy conditions.

#### **POS at Winchcombe Gardens**

The Clerk confirmed that he had emailed Mr Derrick Sutton at Bloor Homes that the Parish Council, after recent discussions with Mike Napper (CDC Planning), proposed if Bloor Homes wished to progress the matter of the Public Open Space in Winchcombe Gardens it will require the following: 1. that the planning condition requiring play equipment on this POS be formally replaced by a requirement that Bloor Homes instead make a suitable payment for off-site equipment/youth facilities; 2. that the Parish Council is also paid a suitable commuted sum for future maintenance of the site as it now stands; 3. that the £15,000 offered by Bloor Homes is well short of the total sum required to cover both those elements; and 4. that as part of any such arrangement, the POS should be transferred to the Parish Council, with the legal fees and costs of the Transfer being paid by Bloor Homes. The Committee agreed to remind Bloor Homes in February if a response has not been received. Cllr Nicholas is quite happy that Mike Napper (CDC) will keep the Parish Council informed of any consequent negotiations which may occur.

#### **Upper Up Hedges**

Cllr Harris was confident that the hedge flailing would commence shortly.

**Telephone Kiosk**

The Clerk confirmed that he had been in contact with BT and the incident was reported on the 18th November under reference SS7VGT17 on 0800 023 2023.

**Ditch Work**

Cllr Harris reported that the work had been carried out satisfactorily to clear the ditch on Mr G. Franklin's property. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr Franklin to express the gratitude of the Parish Council for his efforts.

**INSPECTION REPORTS****Upper Up**

Cllr Stuart had no concerns to report on play equipment or throughout the grounds. Cllr Stuart noted that due to the severe weather use of the facilities was minimal. There was some excessive mud left on the surface of the youth shelter. The work on the car park had been carried out but the surface was already damaged. Cllr Harris explained why the cost exceeded the original quote as it had been necessary to provide an additional load of washed shingle plus spreading and rolling it. The Committee recommends that the Finance Committee agrees to settle the contractor's account for the work.

**Cerney Wick**

Cllr Caunce reported that all was in order.

**Robert Franklin Way**

Cllr Mrs Chubb and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge had carried out the weekly inspections at Robert Franklin Way play area. The train unit had been removed and all other equipment was in a satisfactory condition.

**COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Cllr Stuart informed the Committee of the problem with the wall to the side of the Village Hall which is in danger of collapse. The alley alongside the hall has been cordoned off to restrict access by the general public. Legal representatives of the Village Hall and those of the adjoining neighbour are in contact over the situation.

Cllr Nicholas noted that Sustrans Route 45 was overgrowing from the Spine Road to Station Road. The Clerk will inform Mike Barton (Gloucestershire Highways PROW).

Cllr Caunce noted that Grant Stratford had volunteered to attend a Community Composting seminar in Gloucester, representing the Parish Council. The Committee recommended that the Finance Committee agrees to pay for his travel expenses in accordance with those rates applicable to Parish Councillors on similar. The Finance Committee had agreed to this recommendation and the Clerk was asked to inform Mr Stratford accordingly.

The Committee agreed with a recommendation from Cllr Kimberley that a street bin is installed near the retirement bungalows in Berkeley Close, map reference SU 0465 9617. The Clerk will inform Scott Williams.

Cllr Caunce noted that rubbish was accumulating in the vicinity of the recycling bins in Berkeley Close. The Clerk was asked to remind Scott Williams at CDC that SITA had agreed to keep the area clean and tidy.

**TASK LIST**

The task list details had been revised. All outstanding matters were in hand.

Cllr Harris declared a prejudicial interest in this next item as an interested contractor and left the room.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Two quotations had been received to carry out tree work at Robert Franklin Way and Silver Street. It was proposed by Cllr Stuart and seconded by Cllr Kimberley that James Harris Contracting be selected for the job as he had tendered the lower quote. The Committee was in agreement and recommended its decision to the Finance Committee.

Cllr Harris had returned to the room.

There being no further business Cllr Caunce closed the meeting at 8.25 pm.

## REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2010

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

### Spreadsheet Analysis

The eighth month of the spreadsheet showed expenditure as per budget. It was to be expected that the exceptional repairs needed to the car park at Upper Up would adversely influence the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance budget in the ninth month. Consequently it was agreed that this item is treated for analysis as part of the Village Plan expenditure.

### Recommendation for acceptance from the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee

Cllr Harris declared a prejudicial interest in these next items as he was a potential contractor and left the room.

The Playing Field and Village Maintenance Committee had recommended that the Finance Committee agrees with the Playing Field and Village Maintenance Committee's recommendation that James Harris Contracting is appointed as contractor to carry out the tree work at Robert Franklin Way and in Silver Street. The Committee was in agreement.

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council agrees to appoint James Harris Contracting for the tree work required in Robert Franklin Way play area and Silver Street. The Parish Council was all in favour.

The Playing Field and Village Maintenance Committee had also recommended that the Finance Committee agrees to pay James Harris Contracting for the work invoiced regarding the drainage work carried out on the Upper Up car park. The Committee was in agreement.

### Payments Out (Part)

James Harris Contracting	Upper Up car park drainage work	£2,540.35
James Harris Contracting	Upper Up car park (additional 10 tonnes of washed shingle plus spreading and rolling)	<u>£229.13</u>
		£2,769.48

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council agrees to pay James Harris Contracting for the drainage work carried out at Upper Up play area. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cllr Harris returned to the room.

The Playing Field and Village Maintenance Committee had requested that the Finance Committee accepted its recommendation that travel expenses incurred by Grant Stratford in attending a County Community Composting seminar, representing the Parish Council, be agreed. The Finance Committee had agreed to fund any travel claim from its training budget.

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council agrees to pay Grant Stratford travel expenses incurred. The Parish Council was all in favour. The Clerk was asked to inform Mr Stratford of this arrangement.

### Payments In

South Cerney Football Club	Share of water supply charges	£19.06
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### Payments Out (Remaining)

Petty Cash	Bus shelter cleansing (December)	£50.00
Petty Cash	Litter picking (December)	£100.00
M. McKee	BT telephone, internet access (November)	£41.50
M. McKee	Clerk's travel (November)	£27.30
M. McKee	Reimbursement for HDD purchase	£67.97
M. McKee	Reimbursement for replacement OS purchase	£81.98
Thames Water Utilities Ltd	Water services 20-08-10 – 16-10-10	£31.76
SLCC	Membership renewal	£135.00
Kelvin Wearing	Composting labour (November)	£120.00
Mrs E. M. Hallett	17 Sessions with Youth Group	<u>£680.00</u>
		£1,335.51

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

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.

### Payments Outstanding

Thames Water	Outstanding fees (MAI) (ex VAT)	£4,894.90
South Cerney Cricket Club	Share of water supply charges	<u>£12.70</u>
		£4,907.60

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

## REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2010

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

### Matters Arising

#### POS at Winchcombe Gardens

The Clerk confirmed that he had emailed Mr Derrick Sutton at Bloor Homes that the Parish Council, after recent discussions with Mike Napper (CDC Planning), proposed if Bloor Homes wished to progress the matter of the Public Open Space in Winchcombe Gardens it will require the following: 1. that the planning condition requiring play equipment on this POS be formally replaced by a requirement that Bloor Homes instead make a suitable payment for off-site equipment/youth facilities; 2. that the Parish Council is also paid a suitable commuted sum for future maintenance of the site as it now stands; 3. that the £15,000 offered by Bloor Homes is well short of the total sum required to cover both those elements; and 4. that as part of any such arrangement, the POS should be transferred to the Parish Council, with the legal fees and costs of the Transfer being paid by Bloor Homes. The Committee agreed to remind Bloor Homes if a response has not been received within three months that the matter needed to be dealt with.

### **Invitation to address Parish Councillors**

Mike Napper and Helen Donnelley (CDC Planning Officers) have agreed to attend a meeting with Parish Councillors to give a talk about 'localism' in the new planning process on Wednesday March 9th at 7pm.

### **Planning applications received by Cotswold District Council**

#### **10/04588/FUL**

Applicant: South West Vauxhall Spares, 47 Thornhill Drive, Swindon, Wilts SN25 4GG  
 Proposal: Change of use from spray paint shop to car breakers and spares specialist at Unit 4, Evergreen Industrial Estate, Broadway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UH  
 NO OBJECTION

#### **10/04749/FUL**

Applicant: Mr Paul Savory, Mayfair, Langet, Upper Up, South Cerney GL7 2RN  
 Proposal: Attachment of external metal fire escape staircase and new door opening to first floor east elevation at Mayfair, Langet, Upper Up, South Cerney GL7 2RN (R)  
 NO RESPONSE. As the Committee tied with two for, two against and one abstaining with a prejudicial interest. The Clerk had informed Cllr Nicholas that he had a casting vote but in this case he was reluctant to use it and the Clerk was asked to enquire from the County Secretary of the Gloucestershire Association of Parish and Town Councils (GAPTC) what rules applied in such circumstances.

#### **10/04801/FUL**

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Hallett, 61 The Lennards, South Cerney GL7 5UX  
 Proposal: Erection of first floor pitch roof side extension over garage and boundary wall at 61 The Lennards, South Cerney GL7 5UX (R)  
 NO OBJECTION

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

### **Planning applications granted by Cotswold District Council**

#### **10/03458/FUL CT.7528/E**

Revised scheme for proposed new dwelling and hammerhead on land at Ham Cottage, Ham Lane, South Cerney  
 Conditions of note: 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995, or any other statutory instrument amending or replacing it, no extensions, structures or buildings shall be erected, constructed or sited, nor windows, rooflights or openings inserted within the application site other than those permitted by this Decision Notice. Reason: It is important that careful consideration is given to future development to ensure that the appearance of the development is preserved, in accordance with Cotswold District Local Plan Policy 42.  
 10. No other works shall commence on site until the general turning area/hammerhead on Ham Lane, South Cerney has been constructed in accordance with drawing number 4. That turning facility shall remain free from obstruction, and shall be retained as such and made available for use at all times thereafter. Reason: To ensure a general turning facility is provided and made available for use by users of Ham Lane, in the interests of highway and public safety.  
 14. The entire landscaping scheme as shown on plan G.0169-01-3 shall be completed by the

end of the planting season immediately following the completion of the development or the site being brought into use, whichever is the sooner. Reason: To ensure that the landscaping is carried out and to enable the planting to begin to become established at the earliest stage practical and thereby achieving the objective of Cotswold District Local Plan Policy 45.

15. Any trees or plants shown on the approved landscaping scheme to be planted or retained which die, are removed, are damaged or become diseased, or grassed areas which become eroded or damaged, within 5 years of the completion of the approved landscaping scheme, shall be replaced by the end of the next planting season. Replacement trees and plants shall be of the same size and species as those lost, unless the Local Planning Authority approves alternatives in writing.

Reason: To ensure that the planting becomes established and thereby achieves the objective of Cotswold District Local Plan Policy 45.

#### **10/04297/FUL CT.0108/2/B**

Retention of an existing 22m telecommunications mast, three antennas, one 600mm transmission dish, three equipment cabinets and ancillary equipment, concrete base within a 1.8m fenced compound at Berite Sawmills Ltd, Broadway Lane, South Cerney

#### **10/04328/FUL CT.2648/4/L**

Erection of single storey extension to existing Club House at Cotswold Sailing Club, Lake 9, Cerney Wick Lane, Cerney Wick

### **Correspondence**

10. Harrow Estates – Proposed discussions on land at former Aggregate Industries Site (CAMAS), South Cerney (emailed to all Parish Councillors)

The Planning Committee meeting concluded that the Parish Council should not be drawn in to any ‘horse-trading’ discussions about what added benefits might make the application acceptable.

There being no further business Cllr Nicholas had closed the meeting at 9.22 pm.

### **PLAY RANGER AND SUMMER OFF THE STREETS SCHEMES**

Requests had been received for grant funding and consideration of the use of their services. The Playing Field and Village Maintenance Committee had discussed the proposed provision but decided that as the Parish Council is already committed on a substantial basis to fund youth activity, play equipment and the three playing fields there was a limit to what could be afforded. The Committee fully appreciated the contribution made by the Big Lottery fund for subsidising the scheme. The Parish Council agreed with the deliberations of the Committee. Cllr Jay stated that £450 per day was too much to commit the next Parish Council.

It was proposed by Cllr Stuart and seconded by Cllr Webb to regretfully turn down any contribution. The Parish Council was all in favour.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Cerney News – Request for a donation to produce Village Directory (to list)
2. CDC – Precept upon Council Tax Collection Fund (emailed to Committee members)  
The Precept committee agreed to meet on Wednesday 5th January at 7.30pm
3. Cotswold Canals Trust – TROW magazine Winter 2010 (on circulation)
4. GCC – Transport in Gloucestershire: Consultation (emailed to Parish Councillors)
5. The Gloucestershire Chest Fund Ltd – Request for a donation (to list)



6. P. Hope – Grateful acknowledgement of the award of a grant to the Cosy Club
7. CDC – Views and response to the intention of sustaining the Play Ranger and Summer Off The Streets schemes (agenda item)
8. DISC – Grateful acknowledgement of the award of a grant for the Watermoor Church Christmas Day Lunch
9. David Brown – Grateful acknowledgement of the award of a grant in support of the 2011 One Act Play Festival
10. Harrow Estates – Proposed discussions on land at former Aggregate Industries Site (CAMAS), South Cerney (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
11. Young Gloucestershire – Seeking support to provide a service to the youth of the Parish (emailed to members of the Village Maintenance & Playing Fields Committee and Finance Committee)  
Cllr Kimberley volunteered to liaise with Mary Mychaleckyj of Young Gloucestershire
12. CPRE – Fieldwork magazine December 2010 (on circulation)
13. GCC – Invitation to attend the Big Community Offer on Thursday 9th December at Hucle Centre, Gloucester from 7pm-9pm
14. South Cerney Youth Project – Report on meeting on 24th November regarding Lottery Funding Bid
15. Quotation for tree work in Silver Street and RFW playing field
  - (a) James Harris Contracting
  - (b) Avium Grounds Maintenance
16. Arts in Rural Gloucestershire – Request for a donation (to list)
17. GAPTC – Affordable Rural Housing: A practical guide for Parish Councils (on circulation)
18. GAPTC – Various courses available for Parish Councillors and Clerks
19. Cheltenham, Cirencester & Tewkesbury Citizens Advice Bureau – Request for a donation (to list)
20. South Cerney Youth Football Club – Request for a grant (to list)
21. Local Government Boundary Commission for England – Electoral Review of Gloucestershire (emailed to Parish Councillors)
22. CDC – 10/04875/TCONTR: Notification of intention to undertake tree work in a conservation area. Applicant: Mr S. Johnson, Cherry Orchard, Langet, Upper Up, South Cerney. Proposal: 1) Row of Thuja bordering road – reduce by 50% and shape where necessary; 2) Tree round garden to left of house when facing from road – Lawson, Leylandii, Laurel and Yew – reduce by approx 50% at Cherry Orchard, Langet, Upper Up, South Cerney (emailed to Tree Wardens)
23. CDC – 10/05239/TPO: Applicant: Watermark Ltd, Isis Lakes, The Spine Road, South Cerney GL7 5TL. Proposal: TPO 252 Fell T. 4 Red Horse Chestnut G. 1 Black Poplar (tagged 1488/1489 ) – laterally crown reduce to give up to 2 metres clearance from the approved building line at Lake 16, Station Road, South Cerney (emailed to Tree Wardens)
24. CDC – 10/04974/TCONR Permit. This application type was for information purposes only and was not open to consultation. No initial alert would have been sent. Two Willow situate near river – re-pollard both trees back to old points at The Forge, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TZ (emailed to Tree Wardens)

25. LCR – Local Councils Review magazine Winter 2010 (on circulation)
26. (a) Cotswold Water Park Society and Cotswold Water Park Trust Progress Report – December 2010;  
 (b) Cllr Esmond Jenkins’s comments (emailed to all Parish Councillors)  
 Information received through the Cotswold Water Park Society Ltd and the Cotswold Water Park Trust Progress Report (December 2010) on the formation of the Nominations Committee which will scrutinise new potential Trustees and make recommendations to the Board of Trustees for approval was discussed by the Parish Councillors. The Trustees approved the formation of such a committee to include four members: Dr Simon Pickering (Existing Trustee), Zoe Greenwell (Existing Trustee), Karen Mogridge (Independent member chosen to represent the wider Water Park community) and Robert Bewley (Independent member chosen to represent existing staff of the Society). The Parish Council is concerned on the following points: (a) the relationship of Robert Bewley as husband of Jill Bewley an employee. This concern is not in any way critical of the integrity of Mr Bewley as a suitable member of the Committee just his association with a staff member; (b) whether it would not be more realistic to have an employee of the Society on the Nominations Committee to represent staff and (c) whilst appreciating the numbers involved in a Nominations Committee should be kept to a minimum, for the sake of transparency it would be preferable to include representatives, say four (4) from the Parishes to provide wider representation of the local community. Perhaps Chairmen of the Parishes could be canvassed for suitable candidates and four (4) chosen by ballot? The Clerk will draft a letter for Cllr Nicholas to edit and forward it to Robin Rogers for his comments.
27. Reta-May Matthews (United Church) – Request for a link from the Parish Council’s web site  
 The Parish Council agreed to allow access links from its web site to all requests from the community of South Cerney and Cerney Wick as long as they were not commercially motivated
28. CDC – 10/04875/TCONR Application permitted for work to trees in conservation area.  
 1) Row of Thuja bordering road – reduce by 50% and shape where necessary.  
 2) Tree round garden to left of house when facing from road. Lawson, Leylandii, Laurel and Yew – reduce by approx 50% at Cherry Orchard, Upper Up, South Cerney GL7 5US (emailed to Tree Wardens)
29. Cllr J. Kimberley (Tree Warden) – Peninsula trees on Lake 16

## **COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS**

Cllr Caunce was concerned that part of Berkeley Close, leading to Ann Edwards School was not included in the gritting schedule according to Paul Swift of Gloucestershire Highways (GH). Cllr Caunce pointed out that large SITA vehicles servicing the only recycling point in the village also were frequent users. Cllr Parsons (GCC) would pursue GH and argue for its inclusion through the amount of traffic using it while accessing the school and the regular use by recycling lorries.

Cllr Parsons informed the Parish Council that he had reported the Parish Council’s concerns on the handling of matters by certain members of Gloucestershire County Council to its Chief Executive Peter Bungard who had noted the comments.

There being no further business Cllr Stuart wished all Parish Councillors, Cllr Jenkins (CDC), Cllr Parsons (GCC) and the Clerk a happy Christmas and prosperous new year. He then closed the meeting at 9.45 pm.