

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SOUTH CERNEY ON WEDNESDAY 14th DECEMBER 2011

Present: Chairman M. Stuart
 Vice Chairman P. Nicholas
 Parish Councillor Mrs F. Chapman
 Mrs E. Chubb
 J. Harris
 P. Jay
 D. Land
 J. Kimberley
 Mrs C. Tunbridge
 R. Webb
 Mrs J. Layton (CDC)

Jasmin Tresadern of the R Way group accompanied with Emily Hallett also attended.
 Ian Craig (Press) attended.

APOLOGIES

Cllr Wearing had emailed an apology for his absence as he was on a course of medication and not feeling well.

Cllr Bennett (CDC) apologised for his absence as he was on grand children duty.

Cllr Jenkins (CDC) sent his apology through Cllr Mrs Layton (CDC) for his absence as he was attending a Christmas function.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9th NOVEMBER 2011

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Kimberley that the Minutes were a true and accurate record. The Parish Council was all in favour.

R WAY COMMITTEE

Jasmin Tresadern reported that the group's activities were being conducted indoors due to the cold weather. The group have now got the use of the Scout Hut and a Christmas party is planned there with a movie, Home Alone to follow at the Village Hall. A party went on a shopping trip to Cribbs Causeway. Jasmin would ask R Way to consider becoming involved in the organisation and running of the Sports Relief Sainsbury Mile event in late March 2012. Cllr Stuart had been in conversation with Fabienne Katy Camm, Local Events Coordinator for Comic Relief to make a tentative application. Fabienne was looking for organisations which might be interested in becoming involved in the Sport Relief 2012 campaign. Emily Hallett was aware that Cllr Jay had made arrangements for her to use a room at the Chapel and would be preparing a project action plan for the coming year.

MATTERS ARISING

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PLANNING REGULATIONS BREACH ON LAKE 31

Cllr Jay was disappointed that there was no reference in any local publication to the Parish Council's comments which had been widely circulated on the breach of Planning Regulations on Lake 31. Cllr Jay said that he was in a state of paranoia and cynicism at the lack of reaction of the local press.

CLERK'S REPORT

I would like to thank our Chairman, Cllr Stuart who acted so efficiently as locum Clerk while I was on annual leave.

On Tuesday 6th December I accompanied Cllr Stuart to the GPFA AGM at Tewkesbury. The winners of the Playing Fields and Play Ground competitions were presented with their prizes. Unfortunately although South Cerney did extremely well, it did not feature on the winners' rostrum.

On Wednesday 7th December I attended the Open Precept meeting in the Village Hall. Thank you Cllr Jay for giving a most professional presentation.

On Thursday 8th December I attended a meeting of the Charter Group at the Fire Station on Eastern Avenue, Gloucester. Chris Cowcher GRCC was part of a presentation team encouraging people of Gloucestershire to join the campaign to bring high speed broadband to our county. The preferred provider will be appointed in April 2012. Jenny Wilks Manager Gloucestershire Highways gave a briefing on the winter preparations.

During November of the 9 available working days I averaged 4 hours 20 minutes per day which is some 3 hours 25 minutes per week in excess of the agreement for which I am contracted. There are tranches of time not accounted for when I serviced emails on my travels. As always, whenever I take annual leave I must prepare for my absence and no doubt December will also show that I have taken more time as there was a backlog of work to process on my return. Overall I am quite content with the situation.

REPORT OF THE PLAYING FIELDS AND VILLAGE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER

Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Harris, Cllr Nicholas, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge attended the meeting.

Cllr Stuart had opened the meeting at 7 pm.

Apology

Cllr Mrs Chapman had been called out by her employer.

Cllr Kimberley was supervising youth activities.

Matters Arising from previous Minutes

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Land at The Piece, Station Road

The Clerk reported that there had not been any communication from the owner of Sunset Cottage regarding the use of part of The Piece as a car park. The Clerk was to enquire from Gareth Harris Biodiversity Manager at Cotswold Water Park Trust for his advice on how to manage the northern bank of the Piece. Cllr Harris had spoken to Gareth Harris and a meeting will be arranged to include Cllr Jay.

Corrosion of Slide and Climbing Frame at Cerney Wick play area

Patrick Ward had been unable to attend the Committee Meeting but Cllr Stuart had met with him to discuss plans on the refurbishment of the slide and climbing frame. Mr Ward advised that it would be better to wait until the weather improves, possibly next Spring, before attempting to repair the kit. The apparatus would have to be dismantled before being grit blasted to determine the extent of the repairs needed before welding and painting. The Clerk was to invite the Chairman of Cerney Wick Village Committee to become involved with the repair or even removal as the Parish Council is concerned with the suitability of the slide and climbing frame. The Parish Council would appreciate the opinion of the Cerney Wick

Village Committee. Proposals brought to the Precept Planning meeting in the Village Hall by Stephen Wrigley and Laura Wright need to be backed up with facts and figures. Cllr Stuart had met up with Mr Wrigley who was pleased with the proposed involvement of Cerney Wick in the refurbishment or removal of the play equipment at Cerney Wick.

Base of Youth Shelter at Upper Up playing field

Cllr Stuart will liaise with Dean Wheeler on the cost of replacing the base of the Youth Shelter with concrete.

Dangerous Trees in Bow Wow

Catherine Stent, Gloucestershire Highways Arboriculturist had inspected the trees and reported that she did not find any immediate requirement for pruning or felling. In fact, if some thinning were to take place it could lead to adjacent trees being more exposed and subject to weather damage. Cllr Harris was concerned that there had been no mention of the lack of a root system for Poplars on the riverside or within a metre of the base of the tree. He advised that an inspection should be made on a windy day to observe tree movement and the heave of the root plate. As ownership of the land could not be determined Gloucestershire Highways had carried out the work, without prejudice, in the past.

INSPECTION REPORTS

Cerney Wick

Cllr Mrs Chapman had not attended the meeting but had presented her report at the Parish Council meeting. There was nothing untoward to report.

Robert Franklin Way

Cllr Mrs Chubb and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge had carried out the weekly inspections at Robert Franklin Way play area. The repair to the floor of the end carriage of the Train Unit had been carried out. Two wooden panels on the Hags Play Unit need to be replaced on the end unit.

Upper Up

Cllr Stuart carried out the inspections. 'D' shackles on the Activity Area are showing signs of wear. Cllr Stuart and Cllr Harris will jointly inspect and report to Parish Council. Following the recent rain there is an expected drainage problem on the car park. Otherwise the playing field is looking good for this time of year.

ENLARGEMENT OF UPPER UP CAR PARK

Cllr Stuart and Cllr Harris had arranged to meet to agree a specification for the enlargement of the car park. Cllr Harris presented his specification to the Parish Council but advised that there was no point in asking for quotations until the weather entered a drier period, possibly in April or May next year. Cllr Stuart thanked Cllr Harris for the work he had put in to prepare the specification in readiness for discussion at the Precept meeting to be held in January.

TASK LIST

Three items on the list had been achieved, two further updated and two added. The Task List is available to members of the Committee.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Cllr Mrs Chubb reported that the damage to the retaining wall of the Open Ditch in Station Road near to the entrance to Boxbush Farm has not been attended to. The Clerk had emailed Paul Swift at Gloucestershire Highways.

Cllr Stuart reported that he had attended the AGM of the GPFA at Tewkesbury with the Clerk on Tuesday 6th December. Winners of the Playground and Playing Field of the Year competitions were announced. Some 14 entrants were judged and out of a possible 150 points the winner scored 127. South Cerney came joint fourth with a very creditable score of 124. Unfortunately, in the Playground competition we were severely penalised due to some idiot having broken a glass bottle on the play surface immediately prior to the judges' visit. There was minor criticism for the lack of seating and litter bins. The Committee agreed with Cllr Harris who suggested that a seat be installed in the vicinity of the park pond to commemorate Queen Elizabeth II's forthcoming Diamond Jubilee.

CORRESPONDENCE

13. Environment Agency – Request for a representative to attend a meeting to discuss the river Churn (South Cerney) to confluence with river Thames at Cricklade.
Cllr Harris had volunteered to attend on behalf of the Parish Council
21. Fairford Town Council – For sale: 4 year old steel 1/2 pipe skate ramp
Clerk will enquire why it's for sale. Fairford Town Council had responded that it had not been decided to part with the equipment but if so South Cerney with Cerney Wick Parish Council had been added to its list of interested parties.
26. Play Gloucestershire – Play activities for Parish Councils
The Clerk was asked to explain to Katie Spencer that the Parish Council are supporting an alternative scheme to provide play activities for its youth and the budget is fully utilised.

There being no further business Cllr Stuart had closed the meeting at 8.07 pm.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER

Cllr Jay, Cllr Mrs Land, Cllr Nicholas, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Webb attended the meeting.

Cllr Jay had opened the meeting at 8.25 pm.

Matters Arising

Cllr Jay reported that he had renegotiated with the Chapel for Emily Hallett to have the use of its facility for her planning work on Monday afternoons.

Cllr Stuart thanked Cllr Jay for the presentation he made to residents at the Open Precept Planning meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 7th December. Members of the Committee agreed that it was an excellent performance explaining in layman's terms the complexities of how the rate impacts on their Council Tax contributions.

Precept Meeting

It was agreed to hold the meeting to discuss the budget on Tuesday 3rd January 2012 at 8 pm at the home of Cllr Jay.

Spreadsheet Analysis

The eighth spreadsheet showed expenditure within budget as expected.

Recommendations for acceptance from the Playing Fields & Village Maintenance Committee

There were no recommendations from the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee.

Payments Outstanding

South Cerney Cricket Club	Share of water charge	£9.93
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Payments In

South Cerney Football Club	Share of water charge	£9.94
Gloucestershire County Council	Compost payment	£287.65
Stroud Vintage Transport & Engine Club Rally	Donation for purchase of a defibrillator	<u>£300.00</u>
		£597.59

As approximately half of the cost had now been donated the Precept Committee will discuss whether the remainder should be contributed in support of the Village Plan. It was feasible that by offering to make up the shortfall others may well contribute.

Payments Out

Petty Cash	Bus shelter cleansing (December)	£50.00
Petty Cash	Litter picking (December)	£100.00
Petty Cash	Postage	£30.00
Maurice McKee	BT telephone, internet access (November)	£39.68
Maurice McKee	Clerk's travel (November)	£18.85
Peter Jay	Travel Expenses to courses	£37.47
Peter Jay	Reimbursement for catering for Precept meeting	£3.17
Mike Stuart	Reimbursement for hire of wood chipper	£155.52
Mike Stuart	Travel Expenses to GPFA AGM at Tewkesbury	£49.82
Thames Water Utilities Ltd	Upper Up water supply 15-8-11 to 20-11-11	£19.87
Centreline	War Memorial repairs	£240.00
Adrian Gibbs	Grass cutting at Upper Up	£180.00
Mrs E. M. Hallett	South Cerney Youth Group	£212.16
Ms Laura Brain	South Cerney Youth Group	£63.52
Kelvin Wearing	Composting labour (November)	£120.00
Phoenix Contractors	Repairs to bus shelter roof	<u>£938.40</u>
	Sub Total:	£2,258.46

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

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council agrees to making the above payments. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cllr Harris declared a prejudicial interest in the following two payments as the contractor involved and left the room.

James Harris Contracting	Timber for compost bins	£26.20
James Harris Contracting	Hedge trimming with hired tractor at Upper Up and Robert Franklin Way play areas	<u>£224.50</u>
		£250.70
	Total Payments:	£2,509.16

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council agrees to making the above two payments. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cllr Harris returned to the room.

Councillor's Report

Cllr Jay reported on a course he had attended on Budget Planning at Churchdown given by Peter Lacey Financial Advisor to NALC. To improve the scrutiny of the Parish Council's accounts it was advised that Parish Councillors should have physical sight of the actual

cheques. The cost of employing the Clerk should be shown as a payment on the Finance Committee's agenda although removed from the Draft Minutes in the interests of confidentiality. The internal audit carried out after six months of an accounting period should be rotated with other Parish Councillors to avoid complacency with the inspection. Instead of referring to office expenditure as Administration Costs it would be better to use the word Services to describe such payments. Mr Lacey was of the opinion that Parish Council funds invested with Santander were not secured under the provisions of the financial services compensation scheme (FSCS). The Clerk had emailed proof received by email from Santander that the Parish Council's investment was protected up to a maximum of £85,000. Cllr Jay was generally content that the methods used to present and scrutinise the accounts worked well but in the interests of good practice the advice given by Mr Lacey was relevant and should be accepted. The Clerk will enquire from Kim Bedford, GAPTC County Secretary which advice is to be heeded and report to Parish Council on Wednesday. Cllr Nicholas suggested that the Parish Council ask Handelsbanken for its terms of business.

Parish Councillors would research alternative banking arrangements for discussion at next month's meeting. The Clerk was to enquire from Matthew Milisic, Relationship Manager at Santander Business Banking if the advice regarding the protection of the investment could be relied on when other sources patently disagreed.

Cllr Nicholas explained the latest position in the S.106 Camas negotiations. The Committee agreed to his suggestion that as the Parish Council's legal costs were covered it would be prudent to seek independent legal advice from a specialist firm of lawyers before signing any agreement.

There being no further business Cllr Jay had closed the meeting at 9.15 pm.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER

Cllr Mrs Land, Cllr Nicholas, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Webb attended the meeting.

Cllr Nicholas had opened the meeting at 9.20 pm.

Apologies

Cllr Mrs Chapman had sent an apology as she had been called out by her employer.

Matters Arising

Cllr Nicholas informed the Committee of the on-going discussions on the S.106 Mallards agreement. As the negotiations were commercially sensitive no record was taken. Cllr Nicholas will update all Parish Councillors in closed session at the Parish Council meeting.

Planning applications received by Cotswold District Council

11/04850/FUL

Applicant: Mr Keith Hatter, 44 Meadow Way, South Cerney GL7 6HY

Proposal: Granny flat extension (Disability) at 44 Meadow Way, South Cerney GL7 6HY.

Revision of permission 11/03144/FUL dated 22/08/2011

NO OBJECTION

11/05046/FUL

Applicant: Watermark Ltd, Isis Lakes, Spine Road, South Cerney GL7 5TL

Proposal: Change of use part of existing building known as "The Shack" to office accommodation to be used in association with the lodge and leisure complex at Lake 11, Spine Road East, South Cerney (R)

NO OBJECTION

11/05174/FUL

Applicant: Mr Andy Price, Sussex Manor Business Park, Gatwick Road, Crawley, Sussex RH10 9NZ

Proposal: Additional Granules storage bays (extension to the existing) at Monier Redland Ltd, South Cerney Plant, Broadway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UH

The Committee would like to recommend to the Planners at CDC that they consider an improvement to the existing lighting arrangements in order to reduce the light pollution.
NO OBJECTION

11/05175/FUL

Applicant: Mr Andy Price, Sussex Manor Business Park, Gatwick Road, Crawley, Sussex RH10 9NZ

Proposal: Erection of Sand Processing Building alongside existing roof tile production building at Monier Redland Ltd, South Cerney Plant, Broadway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UH

The Committee would like to recommend to the Planners at CDC that they consider an improvement to the existing lighting arrangements in order to reduce the light pollution.
NO OBJECTION

11/05177/FUL

Applicant: Mr Andy Price, Sussex Manor Business Park, Gatwick Road, Crawley, Sussex RH10 9NZ

Proposal: Erection of Raw materials (sand) storage building at Monier Redland Ltd, South Cerney Plant, Broadway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UH

The Committee would like to recommend to the Planners at CDC that they consider an improvement to the existing lighting arrangements in order to reduce the light pollution.
NO OBJECTION

11/05361/FUL

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

Proposal: Conversion of garage block to annexe and erection of carport at Silver Street House, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TP

NO OBJECTION

11/05362/LBC

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

Proposal: Conversion of garage block to annexe and erection of carport at Silver Street House, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TP

NO OBJECTION

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Land and seconded by Cllr Jay that the Parish Council accepts the deliberations of its Planning Committee. The Parish Council was in full agreement.

Cllr Nicholas had declared a prejudicial interest in this next application as the applicant was a client of his firm. He did not take part in the on-line vote and left the room whilst the Parish Council discussed the application.

Cllr Webb took over a chairman.

11/04942/FUL

Applicant: Mr Ian Franklin, Sisters Farm, Bow Wow, South Cerney GL7 5TN

Proposal: New grain store at Sisters Farm, Bow Wow, South Cerney GL7 5TN (R)

NO OBJECTION

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Land and seconded by Cllr Harris that the Parish Council ratifies the decision of its Planning Committee. The Parish Council was in agreement.

Cllr Nicholas returned to the room.

Planning applications granted by Cotswold District Council

11/04031/FUL CT.0006/5/J

Erection of two single storey pitched roofs over the existing boat store at South Cerney Sailing Club, Lake 16, Station Road, South Cerney

11/04114/FUL CT.3593/A

Erection of two storey rear extension incorporating two dormer windows and the insertion of two dormer windows to the principal elevation at The Cottage, Upper Up, South Cerney

11/04328/FUL CT.2797/N

Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of a replacement dwelling and detached garage with accommodation above at 4 Silver Street, South Cerney

11/04567/LBC CT.6074/T

To replace boiler in kitchen and insert flue to front elevation at Berkeley Horn Cottage, School Lane, South Cerney

11/04845/FUL CT.0649/3/K

Erection of conservatory (part retrospective) at 4 River Way South Cerney

Compliance applications requirement by Cotswold District Council

These COMPLY applications have been submitted to the District Council to meet the requirements of an original condition.

11/02918/COMPLY CT.2475/2/E (10/05423/FUL)

Construction of new industrial building Use Class B1 – compliance of conditions 3, 4, 6, 9, 10, 12 & 14 at Plot B, Lakeside Business Park, Broadway Lane, South Cerney

11/05263/COMPLY CT.2416/B (11/02728/FUL)

Erection of canopy over front door, alter existing flat roof garage to pitched roof and demolish and construct larger conservatory to the rear – compliance of conditions 5, 7 & 8 at Riverbank, School Lane, South Cerney

Planning application refused by Cotswold District Council

11/04888/NOTDEM

Demolition of all site buildings, hardstanding, foundations and infrastructure at Aggregate Industries Works, The Mallards, Broadway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TQ

Correspondence

12. The Planning Inspectorate – Ref: APP/F1610/A/11/2155621 5 The Leaze, South Cerney GL7 5UL. Appeal dismissed
Cllr Nicholas had emailed CDC Planning on behalf of South Cerney Parish Council thanking Ben Bendall for his efforts in this matter.

There being no further business Cllr Nicolas had closed the meeting at 9.40 pm.

At this point in the proceedings the Chairman, Cllr Stuart adjourned the meeting so that Parish Councillors could partake of the refreshments provided by Cllr Mrs Land. Parish Councillors thanked Cllr Mrs Land for supplying the food.

INVITATION TO DAVID NEUDEGG CDC EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND PHILIPPA LOWE CDC HEAD OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES TO DISCUSS THE BREACH OF PLANNING REGULATIONS AT LAKE 31 AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

Cllr Nicholas stated that after our last Parish Council meeting and the criticism by the Parish Council of the Planning department at CDC the dialogue had become overtly political in nature. Cllr Nicholas had a meeting with Cllr N. J. W. Parsons (CDC). Cllr Nicholas ascertained that Cllr Parsons (CDC) had no outstanding concern over the breach and it was now too late for remedial action. Such applications were extremely difficult to enforce and although he reasoned that Phillipa Lowe had carried out her job in hindsight she should have involved the Planning Committee at CDC more thoroughly. Cllr Harris, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Webb attended a meeting of Somerford Keynes Parish Council where the planning breach at Lake 31 was discussed. CDC will invite Watermark to rectify the breach.

Parish Councillors agreed with Cllr Nicholas who stated that this Parish Council wished to know why do CDC impose planning conditions and not enforce them when breaches occur?

Cllr Stuart said that the Parish Council must not be seen to be driving a wedge between CDC and ourselves.

Parish Councillors agreed that questions which must be answered are: (a) what could the District Council (officers and elected members) have done better to prevent the breach of planning at Lake 31; (b) what will the CDC planning department do in the future to create a more robust planning enforcement system to prevent such breaches occurring again; and (c) how can the CDC now allay the fears of local residents on allegations of corruption and/or mismanagement, and the perception of double standards in planning enforcement?

It was proposed by Cllr Webb and seconded by Cllr Jay that David Neudegg and Philippa Lowe be invited to a meeting of Parish Councillors at 6.30 pm on Wednesday 11th January to discuss the above questions. The Parish Council was all in favour.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. War Memorial Trust – Bulletin No. 51 November 2011 (on circulation to PF and VM committee plus Cllr Jay)
2. Cotswold Canals Trust – TROW Magazine No.155, Winter 2011 (on circulation)
3. South Cerney Newsletter Committee – Grateful thanks for donation to produce the South Cerney Directory
4. The Gloucestershire County Association for the Blind magazine – Insight Winter 2011 (on circulation)
5. CPRE – Countryside Voice magazine Winter 2011 (on circulation)
6. CDC – Precept upon Council Tax Collection Fund. Complete and return not later than 27th January 2012 (emailed to Finance Committee)
7. Village Hall Committee – Grateful thanks for donation to purchase chairs for Village Hall and COSY Club's costs
8. Gloucestershire Highways – Comments requested for signage to Builders Yard
9. Ann Edwards Church of England Primary School – Request to discuss items of mutual interest to aid school development

Parish Councillors would welcome such an opportunity to have a discussion. The Clerk was asked to invite the Governors to a meeting in either late January or early February.

10. Cotswold Volunteers – Grant request (to list)
11. CDC – Waste collection arrangements over Christmas period
12. The Planning Inspectorate – Ref: APP/F1610/A/11/2155621 5 The Leaze, South Cerney GL7 5UL. Appeal dismissed
13. Environment Agency – Request for a representative to attend a meeting to discuss the river Churn (South Cerney) to confluence with river Thames at Cricklade
14. CDC – Copy email to Governing Body at Ann Edwards Church of England Primary School explaining the conditions attached to granted permission 11/03347/FUL (New Gates and Fencing)
15. GAPTC – Invitation to attend a free workshop on Neighbourhood Planning
16. Local Events Coordinator for Comic Relief – Enquiry if South Cerney would host a Sainsbury's Sport Relief Mile
17. GRCC – European Citizens Climate Cup Competition: Become Energy Saver of the year and win £1,500 (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
18. Cllr E. Jenkins – Copy emails re: Lake 31
19. Citizens Advice Bureau – Grant request (to list)
20. CDC – Notification of Temporary Road Closure for South Cerney Street Fair on Monday 4th June 2012
21. Fairford Town Council – For Sale: 4 year old steel 1/2 pipe skate ramp in very good condition (emailed to Committee)
22. CDC – Implementation of a shared land drainage/flood mitigation arrangement with West Oxfordshire District Council (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
23. Gloucestershire Fire & Rescue Service – Public consultation on draft proposals for an Integrated Risk Management Plan. Closing 18th January 2012. (Consultation and questionnaire on circulation to all Parish Councillors)
24. Cotswold Tree Warden Group – Grant request (to list)
25. DISC (Disabled Information and Support in the Cotswolds) – Grateful thanks for donation to provide Christmas Lunch at Watermoor Church for lonely, disabled, poor and homeless wonderful people
26. Play Gloucestershire's Play Rangers – Range of activities available; Annual Review 2011 (emailed to Committee members)
27. Glos Highways – Notification of A419 road closure (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
28. Cllr N. J. W. Parsons (CDC) – Copy letter to Cllr Stuart in response to draft minute in relation to Lake 31
29. Cllr N. J. W. Parsons (CDC) – Copy letter to Martyn Smith, Pegasus Planning Group Ltd regarding Advice to CDC Member Working Panel on Planning and Enforcement Issues relating to Lake 31
30. CDC – Copy of Planning Enforcement Service Policy, Practice and Procedures (September 2004)

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Webb reminded the Clerk to respond to Gareth Harris' suggestion that the Parish Council meet with Gary Llewellyn BSc(Hons) DipUP MRTPI to discuss his client's proposal for Lake 97. The Clerk was to inform Wiltshire Council, CDC and Latton Parish Council that this Parish Council wished to be included in any consultation.

Cllr Webb repeated his complaint that the rose bush had not been pruned at 30 Broadway Lane and was still dangerous to footpath users. The Clerk will inform Paul Swift at Gloucestershire Highways.

Cllr Kimberley reported that a lady resident had complained to him about dog mess on the Upper Up play area. Cllr Stuart reminded the Parish Council that the CDC Dog Warden had inspected the area and was not overly concerned as she had not found much evidence of dog mess. She suggested that some deposits she found was probably from foxes and not from dogs.

Cllr Harris reported that he had attended a meeting of Somerford Parish Council along with Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Webb.

Cllr Harris also attended a meeting at the Four Pillars hotel on Wednesday 14th December to discuss issues with the river Churn to its confluence with the river Thames at Cricklade.

Cllr Mrs Chapman reported two instances of over growing hedges in Cerney Wick. The Clerk will write to Mr Paxton at Manor Farm and David Lattimore responsible for the hedge opposite the Crown public house at the riding stables and request that they cut back their hedges.

Cllr Jay reported on courses he had attended at Northleach and Brockworth.

Cllr Jay asked the Clerk to update the web site with the current edition of the Parish Council's Standing Orders.

Cllr Jay asked the Clerk to inform PCSO Michael Owen that the date and venue he had chosen for the next session of the Police Liaison meeting conflicted with the Parish Council's monthly meeting.

Cllr Jay asked the Clerk to contact the Lighting Department of Gloucestershire County Council and request them to consider extending the arm of the street lamp and realigning it to give more light to the path from Boxbush to Bow Wow bridge. He volunteered to meet a representative to explain his proposal.

Cllr Jay was keen to hold a Big Lunch event to celebrate Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee. He is planning to hold the event on Sunday 3rd June and asked for Parish Councillors to volunteer to help. Parish Councillors agreed to a suggestion from Cllr Stuart that this is an agenda item for discussion at next month's meeting.

Cllr Jay reported that he had been successful in an application for grant funding of £2000 for the willow lantern pageant project.

Cllr Stuart reported that he had attended the AGM of Gloucestershire Playing Fields Association in Tewkesbury with the Clerk.

MALLARDS S.106 NEGOTIATIONS

The Chairman Cllr Stuart declared that this item is discussed privately and asked members of the public to leave the room.

Cllr Nicholas updated Parish Councillors on the discussions he had with representatives of the developers. Parish Councillors unanimously supported the position he suggested and thanked him for his work and guidance on the issue.

There being no further business Cllr Stuart closed the meeting at 10.16 pm.