

Prior to the Parish Council meeting members met with Sue Black Village Agent and had a valuable discussion on her activities within the community.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SOUTH CERNEY ON WEDNESDAY 8TH AUGUST 2012

Present: Chairman M. Stuart
 Vice Chairman P. Nicholas
 Parish Councillor Mrs F. Chapman
 Mrs E. Chubb
 J. Harris
 P. Jay
 J. Kimberley
 Mrs C. Tunbridge
 C. Wearing
 R. Webb
 Cllr Bennett (CDC)
 Cllr Mrs Layton (CDC)
 Emily Hallett (R-Way)
 Jasmin Tresadern (R-Way)

A member of the press attended.

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

APOLOGIES

Cllr Mrs Land had sent an apology as she was otherwise committed this evening.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11TH JULY 2012

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

R-WAY REPORT

Cllr Wearing gave a report on the activities and plans of the R-Way group. Chris spoke of the difficulty in recruiting new members to the group at this time, especially as potential youths had holiday jobs and other recreational pursuits to enjoy. Nevertheless the group was working to provide entertainment and other activities. He considered that the Scout Hut could be better utilised and recently it was the venue for varying ingenious fun and games. The group was hoping to arrange a visit to SCOEC and planned to take a day trip to Cabot Circus. Rosemary Lynn (CDC) had approached the group to become involved with activities at Gloucester Barracks. Emily Hallett will report on numbers of youths involved with the group at next month's meeting. Cllr Harris suggested that contact between R-Way and Cirencester Youth Council should be considered after attending a summer networking event on Wednesday 1st August at the Bingham Gallery and Conference Suite, Dyer Street in Cirencester. Cllr Stuart warmly congratulated Jasmin Tresadern on completing her charity bicycle ride from London to Brighton. Jasmin reported that she had raised about £90 for her charity.

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising which were not dealt with through the Committees.

CLERK'S REPORT

During July of the 22 available working days I averaged 2 hours 47 minutes per day which is some 50 minutes less per day or cumulatively 4 hours 10 minutes per week.

REPORT OF THE PLAYING FIELDS AND VILLAGE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 6TH AUGUST

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

Apology

The Committee accepted an apology made by Cllr Mrs Tunbridge for her absence. Cllr Nicholas had emailed that he would probably arrive late.

Matters Arising from previous Minutes

Path at Cotswold Sailing Club

Cllr Mrs Chapman reported that the path behind the Cotswold Sailing Club pavilion in Cerney Wick was now passable.

Overgrowing Hedge in Box Bush

Cllr Harris reported that the overgrowing hedge at 49 Box Bush Road had been cut back.

Grass Cutting and Run Up to Cricket Club practice nets

Cllr Stuart has arranged a meeting with Grant Stratford and Dave Wheeler from the Cricket Club to discuss grass cutting and the run up to the club's practice nets. Cllr Harris accepted an invitation from Cllr Stuart to attend the meeting. Mr Rory Keogh also attended the meeting. Cllr Stuart regarded the meeting as useful as anxieties over the use of the area were resolved.

Dangerous Trees in Bow Wow

Gloucestershire Highways have taken down three trees in Bow Wow. The authority had not taken advantage of a financial offer from the Parish Council as the amount in question was considered insignificant in relation to the overall cost.

CCTV

Cllr Kimberley will bring information on the installation of CCTV to the Parish Council meeting on Wednesday. Cllr Kimberley had not been able to make contact with his colleague but hopes to do so in the near future.

Damage to Public Phone Box

The Clerk had emailed the conditions which had to be met to remove a public phone box to all councillors. In view of the complexity to comply with regulations to remove the apparatus the Clerk was asked to write to BT and ask it to either repair the damage to the phone box or replace it.

Overgrowing hedge in Bow Wow

Cllr Harris reported that the hedge belonging to Mr G. C. Franklin in Bow Wow had not been cut back. The Clerk reported that no response to his letter had been received. The Committee instructed that no further reminder be sent until next month, if nothing had been done.

Footpath to rear of Sewerage Works

The Clerk reported that no response had been received from Mike Barton regarding the flooded path to the rear of the sewerage works. The Clerk was asked to write again, with copies to Cllr Parsons (GCC) and Siddington Parish Council.

Concrete Ping Pong table

The Clerk was asked to forward links for information on outdoor table tennis to Cllr Harris.

INSPECTION REPORTS

Robert Franklin Way

Cllr Mrs Chubb reported on the condition of Robert Franklin Way play area. The slide continues to show signs of rust at the bottom and needs attention. Cllr Kimberley will ask his contact at Gloucestershire Highways to complete the work it had agreed to when the Parish Council gave its permission for the storage of equipment to repair the bridge. Otherwise there was nothing else to report. Cllr Kimberley reported at the Parish Council meeting that he had arranged to meet with Jenny Bridges of Gloucestershire Highways in the coming week.

Upper Up

Cllr Stuart reported on the Upper Up play area. Due to the continuing heavy rainfall the extra grass cutting agreed to with the contractor will need to continue. There are large potholes developing at the entrance to the car park and need attention. Cllr Harris will prepare a specification for contractors to quote for the work. Alteration to the entrance to curtail HGVs and other high sided vehicles was discussed. Cllr Stuart was not in favour and said that if a barrier was to be erected it would be aesthetically unappealing. Cllr Harris remarked that in his experience such barriers when damaged were very difficult to repair. Since the introduction of the sleepers on the car park Cllr Stuart had not noticed any large vehicles using the area. Cllr Harris disagreed but acknowledged that the introduction of the sunken wooden barriers were generally having the desired effect. It was agreed that the Clerk should find out how much a sign to deter HGVs from using the car park would cost. The Clerk was to enquire how much it would cost to produce an A1 notice to list the users of the Upper Up playing fields. The Clerk had sourced a HGV sign at £15.70 excluding VAT and an A1 notice at £40.

It was proposed by Cllr Stuart and seconded by Cllr Harris that the Parish Council agrees to purchase two "No HGV" signs and two bespoke notices listing facilities and clubs which use the playing fields at Upper Up. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cerney Wick

Cllr Mrs Chapman had no new matters to report to the Parish Council. Cllr Mrs Chapman will forward the report form to the Clerk shortly.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

That the Finance Committee agrees provisionally to accept the four quotations from R.O.W. Berry for maintenance work on the play areas, namely at Upper Up playing field: 1. to supply and fit bar to fence at car park; at Robert Franklin Way play area: 2. to cable tie the matting under the climbing frame outside of the enclosure; 3. to remove the rough area on the climbing frame post inside the enclosure area; 4. to replace the two fan shaped steps on the climbing frame inside the enclosure area. The Finance Committee was further asked to agree that James Harris be contracted to remove the Ash limb which had snapped off in the hedge at Upper Up and to turn the compost as a trial by tractor at Upper Up.

TASK LIST

1. The Clerk was asked to enquire from Scott Macaulay-Lowe at Gloucestershire Highways when could reinstatement of the banks at Bow Wow be expected. 2. To enquire from Mike Barton GCC PROW when the overgrowing hedges along Sustrans Route 45 Station Road to Spine Road would be cut back. 3. To enquire from Mr Surman, GCC Lighting when the lamp post at Box Bush bridge will be moved. 4. To enquire from Mike Barton when action to alleviate the flooding of the reed beds at the sewerage works could be expected. Cllr Nicholas noted that there was repetition of tasks mentioning Sustrans Route 45. The Clerk will amend the list accordingly.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Mrs Chapman reported that the hedge in Cerney Wick Lane, opposite the entrance to Lake 10 and towards Cerney Wick was overgrowing. The Clerk will inform Watermark.

Cllr Mrs Chapman requested that Cotswold Sailing Club is asked to cut back its hedge on Cerney Wick Lane. The PROW which follows the line of the hedge should not restrict the landowner's duty.

Cllr Kimberley reported that the hedges alongside Wickwater Lane were over growing. The Clerk will inform Gloucestershire Highways.

Cllr Kimberley reported that the bridleway from the car park at the old railway bridge on the Spine Road, alongside Lake 16 to Kingfisher Place is over grown. The Clerk was to enquire from Mike Barton who is responsible for its upkeep.

Following the response from Mr Paul Mundy, owner of Andy's Lake on Station Road, the Clerk was asked to inform Paul Swift that the Parish Council considered that the hedge needed to be cut back for safety reasons.

Cllr Stuart reported that the Beech hedge at No.9 The Lennards was over growing and needed to be cut back. The Clerk will write to Mr & Mrs Lewis and request that they cut back the hedge.

Cllr Stuart reported that the hedge at Sunset Cottage was over growing the footpath alongside Station Road and asked the Clerk to request that the occupants cut it back.

The ownership of the Willow tree at the junction of Clarks Hay and Meadow Way was unresolved. Cllr Jay remarked that some 12 years ago the Parish Council had carried out some work on the tree. Cllr Nicholas stated that such work did not confer ownership or responsibility. Cllr Bennett (CDC) had been in contact with Mark Berry Tree Officer at CDC and would be asked for his comments at the meeting on Wednesday evening. Cllr Bennett (CDC) reported that he had instigated an enquiry through CDC to search the Land Registry records if ownership could be determined. A response was awaited. In the meantime the Clerk was to inform Paul Swift at Gloucestershire Highways that the tree had been heard groaning in the recent winds by Cllr Bennett (CDC) who was anxious that damage might occur if the tree was to succumb to more buffeting.

Cllr Webb reported that the hedge on the triangular piece of land at the entrance to Berkeley Close, opposite Londis, was over growing and impeding access along the footpath. The Clerk will ask contractors for a quotation to cut it back.

There being no further business Cllr Stuart had closed the meeting at 8.30 pm

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 6TH AUGUST 2012

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

Matters Arising from previous Minutes

Parish Council Deposit Funds

Cllr Jay was continuing to make arrangements to open deposit accounts at Barclays and HSBC in order to spread the risk to Parish Council funds. Cllr Jay reported that when the process was complete the Parish Council would have its capital invested in four different banks which would hopefully afford some security if disaster did strike.

Spreadsheet Analysis

The fourth month of the spreadsheet showed expenditure around 33% in line with expectations. Where village maintenance exceeded the average this would be offset in the winter period when grass cutting would be non-existent.

Project Recommendations from the Playing Field and Village Maintenance Committee

Cllr Harris declared a prejudicial interest in the job to remove the Ash limb.

The Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee recommended that the Finance Committee agrees provisionally to accept the four quotations from R.O.W. Berry for maintenance work on the play areas, namely at Upper Up playing field: 1. to supply and fit bar to fence at car park; at Robert Franklin Way play area: 2. to cable tie the matting under the climbing frame outside of the enclosure; 3. to remove the rough area on the climbing frame post inside the enclosure area; 4. to replace the two fan shaped steps on the climbing frame inside the enclosure area. The Finance Committee was further asked to agree that James Harris be contracted to remove the Ash limb which had snapped off in the hedge at Upper Up and to turn the compost, as a trial, by tractor at Upper Up. The Finance Committee unanimously accepted these proposals.

Cllr Harris had surveyed the jobs put forward by R.O.W. Berry and agreed that items 1, 2 and 4 were necessary but advised that item 3 was not required.

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Nicholas that items 1, 2 and 4 on the list from R.O.W. Berry are carried out. Further the Parish Council should accept the quotation from James Harris to remove the Ash limb. The Parish Council was in favour although Cllr Harris abstained from voting. Cllr Stuart had been able to make an alternative arrangement with a new recruit to the composting scheme who had proved able and willing to turn the material at no cost.

Payments In

Mr D. C. Oakey	Defibrillator donation	£50.00
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Payments Out

Petty Cash	Bus shelter cleansing (August)	£50.00
Petty Cash	Litter picking (August)	£100.00
M. McKee	BT telephone, internet access (July)	£31.60
M. McKee	Clerk's travel (July)	£44.20
M. McKee	G3 broadband dongle	£10.00
Raymond Fenton	Web site management fee 1-4-12 to 30-6-12	£150.00
South Cerney Playgroup	Sensory Garden precept grant	£958.53
Adrian Gibbs	Ground maintenance (Digger Uppers July)	£72.00
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Julia Cunningham	South Cerney Youth Group (July)	£170.00
Mrs E. M. Hallett	5 weeks @ 8 hours per week @ £13.26ph	£530.40
		<u>£4,520.33</u>

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

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Committee recommends the above payments are made by the Parish Council. The Committee was all in favour.

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Correspondence

Grant assistance for 33.6 percent of the overall cost or £6,500 whichever is the lower of these two figures has been awarded to the Parish Council for the re-thatching of the village hall by Cotswold District Council. A further grant had been applied for to include a new boiler and also to cover part of the re-thatching.

Investment policy for Parish Council's deposit accounts

The Clerk had forwarded a draft of Dursley Town Council's investment policy to Cllr Jay who had analysed it and proposed amendments to suit the circumstances of this Parish Council. The Clerk will return the amended copy to Cllr Jay for his comments.

South Cerney with Cerney Wick Parish Council Investment Policy

1. This policy sets out the Council's policy for investing its funds. The priorities for any investment decision, in order of importance shall be:
 - a. Ensuring that funds are prudently invested, putting security before yield
 - b. The need to meet cash flow requirements
 - c. Ease of operation and monitoring
 - d. The limitations of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS)
2. The Council maintains a current account from which payments for expenditure are made by cheques only. The level of cash in this account is maintained by the Clerk when necessary from an instant access account specifically designed for this purpose.
3. A general reserve which is sufficient to cover three to twelve months of gross expenditure will be maintained.
4. Earmarked reserves are maintained for capital or other projects.
5. The Clerk/RFO maintains records of the amounts allocated to earmarked and general reserves.
6. The Clerk/RFO will prepare a monthly spreadsheet based on planned expenditure.
7. The Finance Committee will negotiate terms for short term investments of up to 12 months with banks that meet the following requirements:
 - a. Minimum A rated by Standard and Poor's.
 - b. For investments over 6 months a Standard and Poor's Ratings Outlook of "stable" or "positive".
 - c. Regulated in the UK.
8. Investment proposals will be decided at a full Parish Council meeting.

The above text was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Nicholas as the policy the Parish Council will follow in investing its funds. The Parish Council was in full agreement.

There being no further business Cllr Jay had closed the meeting at 8.55 pm.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 6TH AUGUST 2012

Cllr Mrs Chapman, Cllr Jay, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Webb attended the meeting. Cllr Nicholas had opened the meeting at 9.10 pm.

Matter Arising

War Memorial junction

The Committee was content to await the outcome of a Royal British Legion meeting due to

take place on Tuesday, the day prior to the Parish Council scheduled meeting. It was anticipated that the repositioning of the War Memorial would be discussed at this meeting.

Cllr Jay had attended the meeting of the Royal British Legion and explained how the junction might be altered. At the meeting there was only one person against moving the memorial. Cllr Stuart remarked that Gloucestershire Highways is neutral to the decision and Mike Napper (CDC Planning Officer) has no objection to the scheme although he would like to see community support for the plan before approval. Cllr Stuart asked Cllr Nicholas to contact Barry Stiles to inform him of the proposal for the junction. The Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting between interested Parish Councillors and Barry Stiles Regional Director Redrow Homes Ltd and his build team.

Planning applications received by Cotswold District Council

12/02062/FUL

Cllr Nicholas had raised a concern regarding the current procedure for commenting on planning applications through the use of email. In the particular instance of the planning application concerned, he felt that the existing procedures proved less than adequate to allow all councillors the opportunity to fully contribute to a debate (rather than having a 'first-past-the post' system of voting). The Clerk then gave an explanation about his normal practice, and the practical problems that he faced. This was discussed at some length, and in conclusion it was proposed that perhaps in future the Parish Council should have its own deadline – a set time ahead of the CDC deadline – to allow Planning Committee members to comment. Once that deadline has passed, the Clerk would then submit a response to CDC based on the majority view expressed in the responses he has received. It was also proposed that Planning Committee members should always copy each other in on their emailed responses to the Clerk, so that their views would therefore be shared ahead of the deadline.

The Parish Council agreed to a suggestion from Cllr Nicholas that the procedure should be decided at Committee level. The Clerk will put the item on the agenda for the next Committee meeting.

Cllr Kimberley and Cllr Stuart declared a prejudicial interest in the next two applications as friends of the applicant and left the room.

12/02928/LBC

Applicant: Mr David Kettle, Cornerstones Cottage, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TX
 Proposal: Re-roofing and new roof light to rear lean-to at Cornerstones Cottage, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TX
 NO OBJECTION

12/03064/LBC

Applicant: Mr D. Kettle, Cornerstones Cottage, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TX
 Proposal: Replacement windows to front elevation at Cornerstones Cottage, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TX
 NO OBJECTION

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

Cllr Kimberley and Cllr Stuart returned to the room.

12/02062/FUL

Applicant: Mr M. Thomas, Ashmoon, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UZ

Proposal: Erection of replacement dwelling at Ashmoon, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UZ (R)

NO OBJECTION

12/03005/FUL

Applicant: Mr Edward Shepherd, Croft House, The Street, Cerney Wick GL7 5QH

Proposal: Erection of garden room to front of property at Croft House, The Street, Cerney Wick GL7 5QH (R)

The Committee was of the opinion that the design was contemporary and attractive.

NO OBJECTION

12/03197/NONMAT

Applicant: Cotswold District Council, Council Offices, Trinity Road, Cirencester GL7 1PX

Proposal: Non material amendment to 12/02138/FUL – Use of land as a temporary vehicle depot for Cotswold District Council's residual waste, organics recycling and street cleaning vehicles including vehicle and staff parking, crew welfare facilities – for amendment to cabin sizes; arrangement, addition of covered walkway; minor parking layout amendments; relocation of storage unit at T. Barry Haulage, Broadway Trading Estate, Broadway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UJ

NO OBJECTION

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

Planning Applications granted by Cotswold District Council**12/00138/FUL CT.2977/R**

Conversion and alteration of existing kennel buildings to provide 2 detached single storey dwellings at Fosse Dogotel and Cattery, Cricklade Road, South Cerney

12/01556/REM CT.0006/5/P

Reserved Matters application for the erection of 140 dwellings and associated works, garaging/ parking, including details of siting, design and external appearance of the buildings and landscaping of the site pursuant to outline permission (ref. 10/03916/OUT) at land at former Aggregate Industries Site, The Mallards, South Cerney

Condition 9: All windows shall be of timber construction and shall be painted and not stained and shall be permanently retained as such thereafter unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Reason: To ensure the development is completed in a manner sympathetic to the site and its surroundings in accordance with the provisions of the NPPF and Cotswold District Local Plan Policy 42.

12/02062/FUL CT.3429/M

Erection of replacement dwelling at Ashmoon, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UZ

12/02063/FUL CT.2648/4/U

Extension of time period for commencement of development of planning permission 09/00457/FUL (erection of extension to existing temporary sales office on plot one to create permanent office building) at Lake 11, Spine Road East, South Cerney

12/02138/FUL CT.2475/2/G

Use of land as a temporary vehicle depot for Cotswold District Council's residual waste, organics recycling and street cleaning vehicles including vehicle and staff parking, crew welfare facilities at T. Barry Haulage, Broadway Trading Estate, Broadway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UJ

12/02224/FUL CT.2380/2/Z

Proposed development of 6 static caravan bases and associated works, including car parking and landscaping at Cotswold Hoburne Caravan Park, Broadway Lane, South Cerney

12/02532/FUL CT.1454/5/M

Construction of a boathouse for use with existing fishery (extension of time period for implementation of permission 09/01111/FUL) at Horseshoe Lake, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney

12/02546/COMPLY CT.0006/5/G (10/03916/OUT)

Compliance of condition 9 (surface water drainage) of 10/03916/OUT – Outline application for residential development (up to 150 dwellings) including associated including access details, landscaping and community hall at Former Aggregates Industries, The Mallards, South Cerney

12/02582/FUL CT.8935

Replacement summer house on larger footprint at Thrift Cottage, High Street, South Cerney

Correspondence

6. Mr Adrian Snow – Planning application 12/02716 explanation for proposed application; copy of Parish Council's objection
Noted
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Noted
11. Wiltshire Council – Wiltshire Council Local Development Framework: Notice of submission of a Development Plan Document; Wiltshire Core Strategy Development Plan Document (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
Noted
12. CDC – 12/00962/FUL CT.1202/1/W Invitation to attend Planning Committee at CDC Offices, Trinity Road on 8th August regarding the determination for retrospective approval for works for amended bank profiles (emailed to Committee members and Cllr Harris)
Cllr Mrs Layton (CDC) reported that the Planning Committee at CDC had voted to accept the Planning Officer's recommendation and to monitor the works reporting back to the Committee in 12 months. Cllr Harris was dismayed that stricter controls had not been enforced and said that an opportunity to appropriately manage the site had been missed. He continued stating that a valuable community asset had been totally wrecked and unfortunately no action had been taken to restore it properly. He asked Cllr Bennett why he had supported the decision? Cllr Bennett said that it was time to move on and what would objecting achieve? Cllr Harris was not impressed with this reply and said so.

There being no further business Cllr Nicholas had closed the meeting at 9.52 pm.

CODE OF CONDUCT

CDC had adopted the new Code of Conduct on 1st July 2012. Various amendments had already been made and consequently Cllr Jay considered the documents as work in progress. As such he suggested that discussion should be suspended until clarification of the code was available. Cllr Jay stated that it would be practical to adopt the Code prepared by CDC although he had no confidence in that establishment as he considered it politically motivated. The Parish Council was minded to adopt the Code but agreed to suspend discussion until it met in September when hopefully there would be an updated version available. The Clerk will inform CDC of the concerns of the Parish Council.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. CDC – Introduction of the new Code of Conduct (emailed to all Parish Councillors; agenda item)
2. South Cerney Playgroup – Grant request for Sensory Garden with project photographs and receipts
3. Rules on removing a public phone box (emailed to all Committee; agenda item)
The Clerk will contact BT and ask it to either repair or replace the damaged phone box in High street
4. CDC – Summer Off the Streets event programme (passed to Cllr Wearing)
5. South Cerney Village Hall – Grateful thanks for running costs contribution
6. Mr Adrian Snow – Planning application 12/02716 explanation for proposed application; copy of Parish Council's objection
7. GPFA – The Playing Field magazine Summer 2012 (on circulation to Committee)
8. GAPTC – Flow chart to help understand operation of Code of Conduct (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
9. Mr Adrian Snow – Planning application 12/02716 further explanation for proposed application; copy letter to CDC Planning (emailed to Committee)
10. CDC – Confirmation of temporary road closure on 27th May 2013 for Street Fair and Duck Race activities
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13. CPRE – Countryside Voice magazine Summer 2012 (on circulation)
14. Bob Berry – List of jobs required with quotations (emailed to Committee members)
15. CDC – Grant assistance award for re-thatching of village hall roof
16. Cotswold Water Park Trust – Invitation for a Parish Council representative to attend a meeting of the Trust on 6th September at Cotswold House, Manor Farm, Down Ampney at 7 pm
Cllr Nicholas volunteered to attend on behalf of the Parish Council

17. Cotswold Water Park Trust – Joint application by Cotswold Water Park Society and the Cullimore Group for extraction of gravel at land known as Freeth's Field
Cllr Nicholas will raise points mentioned in this circulated letter at the Cotswold Water Park Trust meeting.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Nicholas reported that he had attended a meeting on 12th July organised by the Cotswold Water Park Trust at which members were selected to form a Parish Panel. There will be two representatives for the western section of the Water Park one of whom is Sarah Powell (Somerford Keynes). There was a suggestion made at the meeting to push forward the Water Park Master Plan but there were reservations as it was thought to be deeply flawed through the previous involvement of Mr Dennis Grant and alleged emoluments being paid to him by the Watermark Group of holiday home developers, reportedly to be in the region of between £1,000 and £1,500 per month.

The management plans for the new Community Hall were progressing. A Parish Council sub-committee had been created which was presently honing the wish list of those who wanted to take part which Cllr Nicholas considered as a key stage of the process. Participation he emphasised was open to all and interested parties would be encouraged to come forward with ideas for consideration.

The sub-committee is made up of Cllr Jay, Cllr Nicholas, Mr D. Coope and Mr D. Smith. The Clerk was asked to promulgate the list of members of the sub-committee on the web site and notice board.

Cllr Mrs Chapman reported that the PROW from South Cerney Riding Stables to the road bridge near the Lock House at the canal in Cerney Wick was in need of clearing as it was becoming near impassable through shrub growth.

Cllr Mrs Chapman also reported that the PROW from the side of The Long House towards the river was in a similar state. The Clerk will report both problems to Mike Barton at GCC PROW.

Cllr Kimberley reported that Steve Sweet, a resident, had informed him of traffic speeding through the village and dog mess in Ham Lane.

Cllr Harris reminded the Parish Council that fly tipped rubbish in Siddington Parish on the Kemble Road had not been removed. The Clerk was asked to write to Thames Water which owned the layby in which the rubbish had been dumped to arrange for its removal and copy the correspondence to the Clerk at Siddington.

Cllr Bennett (CDC) reported that he had encountered a young cyclist riding dangerously whilst driving through the village. Cllr Nicholas suggested that Cllr Bennett should have challenged the said cyclist at the time. Cllr Bennett (CDC) retorted that he was driving at the time and it was not an opportune moment.

Cllr Jay reported that he had a meeting with the manager at SCOEC. He informed the Parish Council that the take over of the business had been delayed.

Cllr Jay reported on the successful Flower Show held in the village hall despite serious competition from the Steam Extravaganza and Olympic programme. Various visitors had commented to him on how difficult it had been to locate the village hall. Cllr Jay was not supported in his request that more signs should be erected to give directions.

Cllr Jay reported that he had attended a meeting of the Health and Well Being Group. The theme was Family First which would help those who ticked a minimum two out of the following three criteria: out of work; truancy; crime problem.

Cllr Stuart reported that he and other Parish Councillors had attended a Cirencester Town Council initiative to bring Parish Councillors, Town Councillors, District Councillors and County Councillors together to discuss Working Together. Andrew Tubb, Chief Executive Officer at Cirencester Town Council will be organising local training courses for councillors. Cllr Stuart was impressed with the new recycling collection wagon on display.

Cllr Stuart reported that only one or two residents had volunteered to meet with Hilary Beech from CDC Environmental Quality Team.

Cllr Stuart appealed for volunteers to form a work party on Saturday 11th August to help with the chipping of the compost at Upper Up playing fields. One new recruit who was showing outstanding promise is Ian Davies from Somerford Keynes.

CERNEY NEWS CONTRIBUTIONS

Ask for suggestions and contributions to the “wish list” for activities at the new Youth Community Hall to be built on the Mallards. Ideas should be sent to Cllr Jay.

Inform residents that roadside signs need authorisation from GCC Highways. Applications will be required to demonstrate that the event is covered with Public Liability insurance and a map of where the signs will be located.

Cllr Mrs Chapman asked that the new telephone number for the large item waste collection service is 01285 623000.

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