

Prior to the Parish Council meeting members met with David Neudegg, Chief Executive Officer at Cotswold District Council to discuss points of mutual interest and concern. Mr Neudegg was keen to help communities in the district draw up Parish Plans and collectively Neighbourhood Plans. He will cooperate with the Cotswold Water Park Trust in facilitating a more defined role for that organisation. He would continue to pressurise Thames Water to give more comprehensive answers to the sewerage and surface flooding problems in the area experienced during the latter part of 2012 and early 2013. Cllr Webb enquired about how to draw on the New Homes Bonus money but Mr Neudegg explained that the rewards would be absorbed into the general fund at CDC and not be available directly to local communities on the basis of houses built. Cllr Jay left Mr Neudegg in no doubt that if the delay in notifying the tax base until the last possible moment was repeated in 2014 then this Parish Council would not be adhering to the timetable set by CDC for presenting its precept demand. Cllr Harris reminded Mr Neudegg about the continuing problems at Lake 31.

#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SOUTH CERNEY ON WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2013

Present: Chairman M. Stuart  
 Vice Chairman P. Nicholas  
 Parish Councillor Mrs F. Chapman  
 Mrs E. Chubb  
 J. Harris  
 P. Jay  
 J. Kimberley  
 Mrs D. Land  
 Mrs C. Tunbridge  
 R. Webb  
 J. Layton (CDC)  
 S. Parsons (GCC)  
 Jasmine Tresadern (R-Way)  
 Daisy Ranger (R-Way)

The Chairman Cllr Stuart opened the meeting at 7.35 pm and immediately stood down and asked the Clerk to chair the meeting until the position of Chairman had been determined. The Clerk asked if there was any member of the Parish Council willing to stand as Chairman. As there were no volunteers the Clerk enquired from Cllr Stuart if he was willing to continue as Chairman. Cllr Stuart replied that if no one else was interested in the position then he would gladly serve for another year.

#### **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

Cllr Nicholas proposed and Cllr Webb seconded a proposal that Cllr Stuart continue as Chairman of the Parish Council. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cllr Stuart then took over as Chairman and the meeting continued.

#### **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

Cllr Webb proposed and Cllr Kimberley seconded a proposal that Cllr Nicholas be reappointed Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council. Cllr Nicholas accepted and the Parish Council was all in favour.

#### **APOLOGIES**

Cllr Wearing had sent an apology for his absence as he was not well. Cllr Bennett (CDC) had sent his apology for absence as he had family commitments. Cllr Jenkins (CDC) had sent an apology for his absence.

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2013**

It was proposed by Cllr Webb and seconded by Cllr Jay that the minutes were a true and accurate record. Cllr Nicholas abstained as he had not attended the meeting. The remainder of the Parish Council was all in favour.

### **R-WAY REPORT**

Jasmine Tresadern reported on the course which Cllr Wearing and she were attending in Gloucester. It was going well and the last visit was a catch up session on previous work before Module 6 starts next week. Jai Cunningham had broken her arm and Emily Hallett had experienced flooding caused by a leakage from the flat above. Cllr Mrs Land will email Emily with contact details of organisations in Bristol which may be able to help. There was a trip to Bristol organised for 28th May and plans were in place to cater for senior and junior groups when the trip finished.

### **COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

Both the Chairman Cllr Stuart and Vice Chairman Cllr Nicholas are automatically members of the Planning, Finance and Playing Fields & Village Maintenance Committees. Cllr Stuart is also on the Personnel Committee but Cllr Nicholas declared a prejudicial interest as the Clerk is a client of his firm and therefore declined.

#### **Playing Fields & Village Maintenance Committee**

Parish Councillors Mrs Chapman, Mrs Chubb, Harris, Kimberley and Mrs Tunbridge agreed to continue to serve on the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee.

#### **Finance Committee**

Parish Councillors Mrs Land, Jay and Webb agreed to continue serving on the Finance Committee.

#### **Planning Committee**

Parish Councillors Mrs Chapman, Mrs Land and Webb agreed to continue to serve on the Planning Committee.

#### **Personnel Committee**

Parish Councillors Jay, Mrs Land, Mrs Tunbridge and Webb offered to serve on the Personnel Committee.

En bloc it was proposed by Cllr Stuart and seconded by Cllr Webb to appoint Parish Councillors to the above posts. The Parish Council was all in favour.

#### **Burial Authority**

It was proposed by Cllr Stuart and seconded by Cllr Jay to enquire from Revd D. Bowers, Mr G. James, Mr T. Squire, Cllr Webb and Mr R. Wrightson if they are willing to continue to serve on the Burial Authority. The Parish Council was all in favour.

#### **Youth and Community Hall Steering Committee**

The Clerk will enquire from David Coope, Cllr Jay, Patrick Mills, Cllr Nicholas and David Smith if they are willing to continue to serve on the Youth and Community Hall sub committee.

#### **Cutts Charity Trustee**

Cllr Jay agreed to continue as a trustee.

#### **Environment Wardens**

Cllr Harris and Cllr Kimberley agreed to serve as Environment Wardens.

#### **Village Hall Representative**

Parish Councillor Webb offered to continue to serve as the Parish Council's representative on the Village Hall Committee.

En bloc it was proposed to appoint Parish Councillors to the above posts by Cllr Stuart and seconded by Cllr Mrs Webb. The Parish Council was all in favour.

## **MATTERS ARISING**

### **Public presentation of the plans for the repositioning of the War Memorial**

Cllr Stuart reported that 9 members of the public had attended the presentation. He thanked Cllr Jay, Cllr Mrs Land and the Parish Clerk for their attendance at the event.

### **Ivy removal from wall in Station Road (Page 3099)**

Cllr Stuart thanked Cllr Mrs Chubb for the removal of the over growing ivy alongside her property in Station Road.

### **Drainage report and flooding survey (Page 3099)**

Cllr Stuart reported that he hoped to complete the drainage report and flooding survey shortly.

## **CLERK'S REPORT**

During April of the 21 available working days I averaged 4 hours 30 minutes per day which is some 2½ hours a week in excess of my increased contract of 20 hours per week. This is mostly accounted for with work on the audit which takes up quite a lot of my time.

On Saturday morning 4th May I attended the War Memorial presentation in the United Church. Cllr Jay, Cllr Mrs Land and Cllr Stuart were also in attendance. The majority of those attending were interested in how the change of position would affect their properties although there was also a minority in favour of the move. Overall about 8 residents came to the presentation.

## **REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLAYING FIELDS AND VILLAGE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 6TH MAY 2013**

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

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

#### **Horizontal Swing at Robert Franklin Way play area (Page 3098)**

Parish Councillors agreed that the repair to the horizontal play equipment was a very good job.

#### **Public Seat at Kingfisher Place (Pages 3099)**

After a discussion with the occupant of 1 Kingfisher Place it had been decided to move the position of the seat to the west of the original plan, central to the garage adjacent to the domestic property.

#### **Rubbish on Broadway Lane in the vicinity of the Redland plant (Page 3099)**

Cllr Kimberley will report to the Parish Council on Wednesday if the rubbish had been removed from the hedgerows of Broadway Lane in the vicinity of the Redland plant. At the Parish Council meeting Cllr Kimberley confirmed that although there was slightly less rubbish around than previous it was still unsightly and asked the Clerk to inform the manager at Redlands, Paul Power.

#### **Drainage report and flooding survey (Page 3099)**

Cllr Stuart reported that he was still working on the drainage report and flooding survey.

#### **Damage to telephone kiosk (Page 3100)**

Recent repairs to the telephone kiosk had been in vain as vandals are making it habitual to break the glass. The Clerk will inform the BT authorities.

**Upper Up car park refurbishment (Page 3108)**

Cllr Stuart reported that he had spoken to Paul Swift (Gloucestershire Highways) on the selection of a suitable contractor. Cllr Stuart was waiting for a response from the contractor Paul had recommended.

**INSPECTION REPORTS****Robert Franklin Way**

Cllr Mrs Chubb and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge had carried out the weekly inspections at Robert Franklin Way play area. There was a screw missing from the latch on the gate entrance to the children's play area. Cllr Harris will check the latch. The horizontal swing was back in action.

**Cerney Wick**

Cllr Mrs Chapman reported that the chains on the swings were now rusting badly and paint was flaking on the frame. The slide and activity area were awaiting refurbishment. All the bases were covered in moss.

**Upper Up**

Cllr Stuart reported that the cycle mounds were being well used by a new group of young people. Generally there was a considerable amount of litter especially around the children's play area and the lake picnic tables. The Cricket Club has made good progress towards dealing with the waste soil and the concrete is being delivered to lay the run up to the nets shortly. There have been favourable comments on the new gateway to the car park which appears to have slowed down drivers egressing the park.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF CONTRACTS TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

There had been two responses to the appeal in Cerney News for a replacement litter picker and bus shelter cleaner. After discussion the Committee recommended that Andrew West was the more suitable applicant as he was prepared to litter pick and clean the bus shelters whilst the other was only prepared to clean the shelters. The Committee recommends to the Finance Committee that it agrees to the principle that Mr West replaces Mr Curtis.

The wooden seat in High Street, opposite the War Memorial had been irreparably damaged. The seat had been installed in memory of Jesse Price and the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee recommend that the Finance Committee agrees to it being replaced.

**ITEMS ON TASK LIST RELEVANT TO THE COMMITTEE**

Cllr Harris requested that Gloucestershire Highways is informed that there is a well disguised gully developing in the river Churn bank in Bow Wow, also known as "Between the Brooks", in the vicinity of the Millennium Seat.

**COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Cllr Mrs Tunbridge was curious if the Parish Council might influence the Eliot Arms to repair the broken manhole in its car park. The Committee agreed to a recommendation from Cllr Harris that the Parish Council writes to the Manager of the Eliot Arms to enquire if it would be helpful if the Parish Council was to contact the brewery regarding the damage to the manhole cover in the Eliot Arms car park.

Cllr Mrs Tunbridge was concerned that the hedge on the north side of Northmoor Lane was dangerously overgrowing the carriageway and asked the Clerk if he would report it to Gloucestershire Highways.

Cllr Mrs Tunbridge was concerned that the tree adjacent to Lime Tree Cottage in Silver Street, needed attention as Cllr Tunbridge was of the opinion that it was in danger of falling.

Cllr Mrs Chapman asked the Clerk to write to Mr & Mrs Kennett, Rose Cottage, The Street, Cerney Wick and request that they remove the overgrowing Yellow Flag Iris plants from the ditch outside their property.

Cllr Harris was concerned that there was a pipe protruding from the surface of the Public Right of Way in the vicinity of Lakeside forcing users of the PROW to leave the path. The Clerk was asked to inform Mike Barton at GCC PROW.

Cllr Harris reported that rubbish is accumulating under the arches of the bridge on Wildmoorway Lane. He wondered if a skip could be hired under the auspices of the Village Plan for the collection of the dumped material. The Committee was in favour of this suggestion which would be actioned as part of the Village Plan.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

A request had been received from FPCR Environment and Design Ltd to carry out an ecological survey of the pond on the Upper Up playing fields. The Clerk was asked to enquire from the applicants the reason for the survey and who is the client they are working for. If approval is given then the Parish Council will expect to receive a copy of the results of the investigations.

A reply had been received from the company but it refused to divulge who had contracted it to carry out the survey. At the Parish Council the Clerk was requested to enquire from FPCR Environment and Design Ltd if its client could be persuaded to divulge its name or failing that the purpose of the survey.

Brian Faulkner had emailed a list expressing his concerns on the condition of public footpaths and other infrastructure in South Cerney. The Clerk was asked to forward Mr Faulkner's comments to Scott Macauley-Lowe at Gloucestershire Highways for investigation and Cllr S. Parsons (GCC) for his information.

There being no further business Cllr Stuart had closed the meeting at 7.55 pm.

## **REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 6TH MAY 2013**

Cllr Jay, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Webb attended the meeting. Cllr Jay had opened the meeting at 8.15 pm.

### **Apology**

Cllr Mrs Land had sent an apology for her absence as her husband was not well.

### **Spreadsheet Analysis**

The first spreadsheet was on target as expected.

### **Projects recommended by the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee**

The Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee had recommended that Andrew West takes over the duties performed by Mr Curtis who had resigned. Mr West was considered the more suitable applicant as he was prepared to litter pick and clean the bus shelters whilst the other was only prepared to clean the shelters. Cllr Jay objected to this recommendation as he insisted that a Service Level Agreement to detail the duties required is put to tender and the selected contractor agrees to the conditions.

Cllr Jay had performed an exercise inspecting, sweeping and washing out the bus shelter and presented his findings to the Parish Council. Altogether it had taken some 12 minutes of his

time, which included travel, to complete the task. Cllr Jay concluded that before a contractor was selected it would be necessary to prepare a schedule of the tasks required and the frequency in which they should be performed. Feed back on the state of the infrastructure should also be included as a requirement. Cllr Harris volunteered, as part of the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee, to prepare a specification for tender.

As the wooden seat in High Street, opposite the War Memorial had been irreparably damaged the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee recommended that the Finance Committee agrees to it being replaced. The Finance Committee had no objection.

### Payments Out

M. McKee	BT telephone, internet access (April)	£38.95
M. McKee	O <sup>2</sup> contract (April)	£10.83
M. McKee	Clerk's travel (April)	£55.25
M. McKee	Reimbursement for purchase of a gift voucher for Mr Curtis out of the Chairman's Allowance	£50.00
Broker Network Ltd	Annual insurance renewal	£1,713.52
R.O.W. Berry	Remove damaged bench opposite War Memorial	£65.00
R.O.W. Berry	Supply and fix chains and seat to swing	£675.00
AB-FAB Loos Ltd	Supply 5 portable toilets (Street Fair)	£601.20
Busy Fingers Copying	Photocopying for APM	£33.00
Cotswold District Council	90 litre regular waste bin	£180.00
South Cerney Joint Churches	Hall hire for War Memorial plans display	£16.00
South Cerney Joint Churches	Hall hire for Parish Council meeting	£27.00
Jenny Gardiner	Internal audit fee	£660.00
Kelvin Wearing	Work on compost (April)	£96.00
Kelvin Wearing	Transport for youth training (April)	£90.00
Jai Cunningham	Youth work (March)	£146.00
Jai Cunningham	Youth work (April)	£140.25
A.W. Services	Groundwork/grass cutting (April)	£1,249.00
GPFA	Entrance fee for Playing Field of the Year 2013	<u>£5.00</u>
		£5,852.00

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

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

James Harris Contracting	Barrier installation at Upper Up car park	£356.00
James Harris Contracting	Fence repair at allotments	£128.80

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council agrees to make the above payments. The Parish Council was in favour. Total: £6,336.80

### Payments In

Gloucestershire County Council	Compost credit 005	£908.11
South Cerney Cricket Club	Annual insurance contribution	£177.02
South Cerney Football Club	Annual insurance contribution	£338.07
Cotswold District Council	1st tranche of Precept	<u>£51,608.00</u>
		£53,031.20

### CORRESPONDENCE

The Finance Committee recommends that Barclays, HSBC and Santander banks, currently holding Parish Council reserves, are to be requested to send all communications to the Clerk. Failure to comply will necessitate closure of the account concerned.

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Business Bond which will mature on 31st May 2013 should be reinvested in the Parish Council deposit account at Lloyds TSB Cirencester. The Parish Council was in agreement.

There being no further business Cllr Jay had closed the meeting at 8.51 pm.

## **THE PLANNING COMMITTEE SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY 6TH MAY HAD BEEN CANCELLED**

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

Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Jay, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Webb declared a prejudicial interest as members of the Village Hall Committee and left the room. Cllr Mrs Tunbridge declared a prejudicial interest as a friend of the applicant and left the room.

#### **13/01302/FUL**

Applicant: Mr Martin Coe, Old Tiles, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TX

Proposal: Erection two storey rear extension at Old Tiles, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TX

NO OBJECTION

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

Cllr Mrs Chubb and Cllr Webb returned to the room. For the next two applications Cllr Jay, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge declared a prejudicial interest as friends of the applicant and remained outside the room.

#### **13/01731/FUL**

Applicant: Mr & Mrs R Thilthorpe, Jasmine Cottage, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TP

Proposal: Erection of a single-storey rear extension at Jasmine Cottage, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TP

NO OBJECTION

#### **13/01732/LBC**

Applicant: Mr & Mrs R Thilthorpe, Jasmine Cottage, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TP

Proposal: Erection of a single-storey rear extension at Jasmine Cottage, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TP

NO OBJECTION

It was proposed by Cllr Nicholas and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council does not object to these applications. The Parish Council was in favour.

Cllr Jay, Cllr Stuart and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge returned to the room.

#### **13/01715/TPO**

Applicant: Mrs Barrett, 5 Meadow Way, South Cerney GL7 6HY

Proposal: 1 Sycamore tree – reduce height by 3 metres. Shorten all side branches to shape. Finished height 7 metres, radial spread 2 metres at 5 Meadow Way, South Cerney GL7 6HY. This to add light and general maintenance

NO OBJECTION

**13/01758/FUL**

Applicant: Watermark Ltd, Isis Lakes, The Spine Road, South Cerney GL7 5TL  
 Proposal: Change of lodge type and location of plot 47 at Summer Lakes, Lake 11, Spine Road East, South Cerney  
 NO OBJECTION

It was proposed by Cllr Kimberley and seconded by Cllr Webb that the Parish Council does not object to these applications. The Parish Council was in favour.

**Planning Applications granted by Cotswold District Council****12/05093/FUL CT.2509/D**

Erection of 2 dwellings at The Homestead, Silver Street, South Cerney

**12/05467/FUL CT.0006/5/T**

Non-material amendment to – doors to the rear elevation replaced with single french door/bi-fold door unit for Mr & Mrs P. Lawford at 9 Kingfisher Place, South Cerney

**13/00469/LBC CT.4086/N**

Replacement door and window at 1 Edwards College, Silver Street, South Cerney

**13/00830/FUL CT.0649/3/P**

Erection of single storey rear extension and single storey garage to side at 25 Meadow Way, South Cerney

**13/00910/FUL CT.1454/5/S**

Resurfacing of a gravel road within site boundary with a tarmac road with french drainage at Cotswold Water Ski Club, Greatmoor Lake, Spine Road East, South Cerney

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION WITH THE COTSWOLD WATER PARK TRUST  
 MEETING WITH SIR DAVID JOHN**

1. A local plan for parishes in the Water Park – a commitment to a Neighbourhood Plan for the Water Park
2. Lake 31 – Future of Keynes Park
3. Reports that the Parish Liaison Panel is floundering – what efforts are being made for its survival
4. Shorncote PROW – sewerage health hazard
5. Legacy fund
6. What information can be given on the partnership of Cotswold Water Park Trust in the exploitation of waterways in conjunction with GRCC and WAG?
7. What other partnerships is CWPT involved with?
8. Any further plans for footpaths in the Water Park?
9. How is the CWPT increasing its income to provide wages and pensions for its employees?
10. Any update on the recovery of funds fraudulently removed by Dennis Grant and others?

**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place in the United Church premises on Wednesday 15th May commencing at 7.30 pm. Cllr Webb apologised for his absence as he was engaged on another event.

Cllr Stuart suggested to Cllr Nicholas that there should be a report on the development of the Youth and Community Centre. Cllr Nicholas agreed.



**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Parcel Monkey – Collection receipt
2. Applicants for consideration for job of litter picking and cleaning bus shelter  
(a) Andrew West (b) Michelle Lancaster
3. Neighbourhood Watch – Grateful acknowledgement for donation
4. Gloucestershire Highways – Scott Macaulay-Lowe: Willow tree on land at Clarks Hay/Meadow Way, South Cerney (emailed to Committee members)
5. Gloucestershire Highways – Scott Macaulay-Lowe: Repairs to potholes on carriageways (emailed to Committee members)
6. Barclays Bank PLC – Account details
7. CPRE – Improve travel choices where you live (on circulation)
8. Gloucestershire Highways – Authorisation granted to site of Coronation Seat at Kingfisher Place (emailed to Committee)
9. Chris Snowden – Objection received 19th April to position of Coronation Seat and Clerk's response (emailed to Committee)
10. Gloucestershire County Council – Recycling credit rate from April 1st 2013 until 31st March 2014 (emailed to Committees)
11. South Cerney Football Club – Acknowledgement for grant to improve lighting and heating in the changing facilities
12. Copy letters from Robin Mosedale and Cllr S. Parsons to Thames Water re: flooding and associated issues in South Cerney
13. Gloucestershire County Council – Proposed creation of a restricted byway at Ham Lane (emailed to Parish Councillors)
14. Clerks & Councils Direct – May 2003 (on circulation)
15. CPRE – AGM Agenda for 23rd May Minutes of 2012 AGM; Invitation to attend (emailed to all Parish Councillors)
16. R.O.W. Berry – Quotation for concrete path at Kingfisher Place between bench base and road side
17. GPFA – Invitation to enter 2013 Playing Field and Playground of the Year competition; GPFA Volunteer of the Year Award 2013 (emailed to Committee)  
It was proposed by Cllr Stuart and seconded by Cllr Jay that the Parish Council enters these competitions. The Parish Council was all in favour.
18. CDC – Full application for erection of a dwelling, formation of shared access. Increase in height of boundary wall to 1.8m high at Kingfisher, Station Road, South Cerney to be considered on 22nd May at Cirencester Council Offices starting at 9.30 am.  
Emailed to Committee members
19. CDC – 13/00029/EAP: Notification of enforcement notice appeal re Mill House, Cerney Wick. Emailed to Committee members
20. FPCR Environment and Design Ltd – Permission requested for an ecological survey at Upper Up playing fields pond. Emailed to Committee members
21. Cotswold Canals Trust – TROW magazine no. 161 Summer 2013 (on circulation)
22. Patricia Faulkner – Condition of street footpaths (emailed to Parish Councillors)

23. South Cerney United Church – Grateful thanks for two generous grants to support Church activities
24. Cotswold District Council – Local Plan Consultation Paper: Preferred Development Strategy will be considered by CDC’s Cabinet on 9th May (emailed to Parish Councillors)
25. Mrs J. Gardiner – Internal audit fees
26. Santander – Options available for maturing business bond (for consideration by Parish Council)

## **COUNCILLORS’ REPORTS**

Cllr Mrs Land reported that she had attended the second part of the planning lectures organised by Cirencester Town Council on 23rd April. Cllr Mrs Land had also attended the presentation of the plans describing the moving of the War Memorial on Saturday 4th May.

Cllr Kimberley reported that there was dark grey water some 300 metres in length in the ditch and gully of Spine Road East, in the vicinity of Fridays Ham Lane towards Ashton Keynes junction.

Cllr Mrs Layton (CDC) reported that the alterations to upgrade the junctions at Station Road and Broadway Lane in conjunction with the development of the Mallards was awaiting a S.278 approval from Gloucestershire County Council. Cllr Mrs Layton had met a representative of John Ford, Mr Richardson headteacher and Jennie Caird for discussions over a proposed development on the field to the rear of the school. Cllr Mrs Layton informed the Parish Council that emoluments available to District Councillors from CDC received by Cllr Jenkins (CDC) and herself would be used for the benefit of R-Way. She believed that Cllr Bennett (CDC) would also put part of his allowance towards activities on the army base.

Cllr Jay reported that along with Cllr Mrs Land they had discussions with Christopher Cowcher (GRCC) on how to manage the stand promoting the Village Plan at the Street Fair. Cllr Jay asked for volunteers to help man the stand over the weekend. Cllr Jay asked the Clerk to enquire when the Parish Council could expect an invitation to meet up with the new owners of SCOEC.

Cllr Harris reported that the Willow trees in Bow Wow were being pollarded at the moment. He also had a request from the Street Fair that the Parish Council allows overspill parking on the Upper Up car park. The Parish Council had no objection.

Cllr Nicholas complained that the holes in the surface of the carriageway in Station Road were a disgrace. He noted that the repair of holes at the eastern end of Station Road, near to the Piece, were of a smaller dimension than those larger ones which had been ignored further west. The scheme to paint white road markings over the holes in the centre of the carriageway was a total waste of effort and money.

Cllr Parsons (GCC) thanked everyone who had voted for him in the recent County Council elections making him the successful candidate. Overall in the county there were 23 Conservatives, 14 Liberal Democrats, 9 Labour, 3 UKIP, 3 Independent and 1 Green councillors making up the Council. That meant that no single party had overall control and discussions were taking place to form a ruling group. He reported that Thames Water had requested another meeting to discuss the problems at the Limes on the flooding and sewerage problems. A more complete data base was needed to be compiled as people who rented their properties did not think it necessary to complete the questionnaire although some had suffered inconvenience. The Environment Agency was rewriting the Thames Strategy to cover sewerage and flooding.

**CERNEY NEWS CONTRIBUTIONS**

The installation of the new public seats at Kingfisher Place and the replacement seat opposite the War Memorial which had been vandalised.

The refurbishment of the horizontal swing on Robert Franklin Way play area.

The new entrance to the Upper Up parking area with further work to follow.

Composting credits from Gloucestershire County Council.

An appeal to all residents to please keep your village tidy.

There being no further business Cllr Stuart closed the meeting at 10.10pm.