

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SOUTH CERNEY ON WEDNESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 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  
 R. Webb  
 C. Bennett (CDC)  
 Mrs J. Layton  
 S. Parsons (GCC)  
 Jasmin Tresadern (R Way)

Brendan McFadden, reporter for the Wilts and Glos Standard was also in attendance.

Cllr Stuart opened the meeting at 7.30 pm.

### **APOLOGIES**

Cllr Mrs Tunbridge had sent an apology for absence as she was on holiday. Cllr Wearing had sent an apology as he was not well. Emily Hallett (R Way) had sent an apology for her absence.

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

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Land and seconded by Cllr Webb that the minutes were a true and accurate record. Cllr Kimberley, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Stuart abstained from voting as none had attended the meeting. The remainder of the Parish Council was in favour.

### **R WAY REPORT**

Emily Hallett had sent the following report: R-Way have had a very busy month with both the senior and junior youth groups. Five young people completed 2 days of kayaking and canoeing to gain their One Star Award at South Cerney Outdoor – four of these young people are ones who are new to the group. The play scheme last week was a huge success, with 18 young people aged 8 to 13 attending. It has proved to be a very successful pilot of the project, and we'll definitely be looking to extend it for other school holidays.

Chris and Jasmin are now working with the groups, and their help has been invaluable. I want to emphasise how impressed I am with their progress, and their ability to move into the role of “worker” with the young people. We definitely couldn't have run play scheme as well as we did without their help, and they are going to be a valuable asset to the community!

Our end of summer BBQ will be at the Scout HQ on Monday September 2nd, 6pm–9pm. We will be inviting Ward Councillors, Parish Councillors and members of the community to celebrate the achievements of the young people over the summer, and I would really encourage Parish Councillors along to see what the young people have been doing over the last few months. I have already had a request from one young person to meet the Parish Council, as she would like to say thank you to you all for funding Playscheme.

Upcoming plans include an overnight at the Forest School and a residential.

Cllr Jay thanked Cllr Bennett (CDC) and Cllr Mrs Layton (CDC) for the grant from CDC which enabled Jasmin Tresadern and Chris Wearing to attend the course for Assistant Youth Leaders.

## **MATTERS ARISING**

### **Page 3146 Sandbags to rear of Box Bush development**

Cllr Stuart had a conversation with Maureen Dunn, warden associated with Box Bush development, who had complained about the condition of the sandbags which had begun to deteriorate. Cllr Stuart directed her to Bromford Housing Association which the Parish Council had already enquired as to what its intentions were for the sandbags.

### **Page 3147 Cerney Wick play equipment grants**

Cllr Stuart enquired from Cllr Mrs Layton (CDC) if the grants had been forthcoming. Cllr Mrs Layton reported that she had found out by chance that Cerney Wick had been successful in its application to CDC.

### **Page 3147 Chris Savage, Environment Agency**

The Clerk confirmed that Chris Savage had accepted an invitation to meet with Parish Councillors at 7 pm on Wednesday 11th September

## **CLERK'S REPORT**

How often do Councillors need to complete a form for their Register of Interests?

The legislation requires that Councillors keep their Register entries up-to-date within 28 days of a change occurring to their interests, or within 28 days of becoming aware of a change occurring.

For the avoidance of doubt, this does not mean that Councillors nor Clerks need to supply updates every 28 days, nor are 'nil returns' required. Councillors who have already supplied a completed form and who do not have any changes to register in respect of their interests will not need to do anything until the next election to the Council (i.e., a form must be completed at least every four years).

While Clerks are requested to forward this information, they are asked to note that the duty to supply a form for the Register of Interests (and to keep that form up-to-date) rests with the individual Councillor and not with the Parish Council as a body, nor with its Clerk. The actual completion of form for the Register of Interests is not intended as formal business for a Council meeting so much as personal administration for Councillors.

Cllr Nicholas asked the Clerk to enquire from Stephen Holley at CDC if lay members of the Youth and Community sub committee needed to complete a Register of Interest form?

During July of the 15 available working days I averaged 4 hours per day which is par for my contract of 20 hours per week.

## **REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLAYING FIELDS AND VILLAGE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 12TH AUGUST 2013**

Cllr Mrs Chapman, Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Harris, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Stuart attended the meeting. Cllr Stuart had opened the meeting at 7.05 pm.

### **Apologies**

Cllr Kimberley had sent an apology for his absence as he was working with the Youth Group.

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

#### **Damaged gully in bank of river Churn in Bow Wow (Page 3140)**

The Clerk was requested to enquire from Scott Macaulay-Lowe at Gloucestershire Highways what or when repairs to the gully near the Millennium Seat in Bow Wow would be undertaken. Since the meeting two bollards had been placed in the vicinity of the gully.

**Overgrowing hedge on north side of Northmoor Lane (Page 3140)**

Scott Macaulay-Lowe had responded that on the south east/west side of the highway, there are the remains of a dwarf boundary wall, delineating highway verge from golf club land. On the highway side there are a number of self seeded ash trees that would be the responsibility of the highway authority to maintain. He had looked at the line and height of these trees both as a pedestrian and a driver and does not consider that any of them are currently causing a highway safety hazard. Exiting the golf club, there is marginal impairment to the left but this would be the responsibility of the golf club to maintain visibility for those using their private access. On the north west/east side of the highway, there is a greater width of highway verge. Again the delineation between highway verge and boundary hedge is clear on site. As discussed in previous correspondence there are no specific highway records regarding hedges, but as is usual with highway boundary features, they would be expected (in the absence of evidence to the contrary) to be the responsibility of the adjoining landowner. There is evidence that the metre flail had been down this verge and that the verge behind it has a considerably higher sward but again, he does not consider that any of this verge is currently causing a safety issue to highway users.

**Broken Latch on gate to children's play area at Robert Franklin Way (Page 3140)**

Cllr Harris will inspect and determine if the latch on the gate needs to be repaired. Cllr Harris reported at the Parish Council meeting that the latch had been fixed.

**Recruitment of Litter Picker and Odd Job Person (Page 3140)**

Cllr Stuart reported that Andy West was now carrying out his duties.

**Excess growth around the Limes notice board**

Two quotations to tidy up the area around the notice board and bus shelter had been received. The Committee recommended that the less expensive option from Andy West be accepted. The Finance Committee will be informed.

**Ground maintenance of the roundabout outside Ann Edwards School**

The Committee recommended that A.W. Services is asked to quote to maintain the roundabout area and if acceptable it is further recommended that the work is added to the schedule for next year. Andy Woodman from A.W. Services had confirmed that he would maintain the roundabout at no cost to the Parish Council for the remainder of this season but would charge £10 per cut next year. The Parish Council accepted this addition to the contract with the proviso that the area be maintained as tidy rather than a "lawn-like" finish.

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

Cllr Mrs Chubb, Cllr Mrs Tunbridge had carried out the weekly inspections at Robert Franklin Way play area. Cllr Kimberley had taken over one of the inspections on behalf of Cllr Mrs Tunbridge who was on holiday. There was a nut missing (13mm) on the top right of the Adventure Unit slide. Graffiti had been etched on the right hand side of the tower slide unit. One of the posts of the goal had been damaged and was now a hazard. Cllr Harris would check and report to the Parish Council on Wednesday evening. Cllr Harris volunteered to prepare a specification for the removal of the concrete supports to below ground level and their replacement with wooden posts. Cllr Harris had oiled the D-shackles on the swings to reduce a squeaking noise and requested that Bob Berry inspect them all for excessive wear.

**Cerney Wick**

Cllr Mrs Chapman reported that the slide and activity area were awaiting refurbishment. The swing supports need scraping and painting. All the bases were covered in moss. The Damson tree on the eastern boundary had been removed. Cllr Mrs Chapman reported that the recently placed sign had encouraged users to close the gate at the entrance to the playing field.

### **Upper Up**

Cllr Stuart had carried out the inspections. All the Fenplay surfaces need sand brushing into them. The Committee agreed that Kelvin Wearing and Andy West be asked to quote for this work. Andy West quoted £20 to brush sand over the safety surfaces. Kelvin Wearing had declined to quote. The Clerk was to ask Bob Berry to inspect a worn timber on the top level of the Activity Area. A.W. Services had cut most of the herbage on the Cycle Mounds but had not finished the job. The Clerk was to enquire from the contractor when the work would be completed. A.W. Services informed the Clerk that he would be in the area in the next couple of days and would attend then. There was some graffiti on the white posts on the northern side of the MUGA wall. The Clerk was to ask Andy West to use the graffiti removal solution to clean up the area. The Clerk was also request Andy West to remove “stick man” graffiti drawing from the entrance to Bow Wow.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Two quotations had been received to clear away the excessive growth from around the notice board and bus shelter at the Limes. The Committee recommended that the Finance Committee agrees to contract Andy West to clear away the excessive growth around the notice board and bus shelter at the Limes as his quotation had been the cheaper. The Committee was minded to agree that a sign be made to advise those making contributions to the composting scheme as to what was acceptable. The Finance Committee should be made aware that suspected commercial dumping of garden material would increase the work load and consequent expense in managing the compost.

### **UPPER UP CAR PARK SPECIFICATION**

Cllr Harris had produced a comprehensive specification which he explained in detail to the members of the Committee. The Clerk will forward it to suitable contractors.

### **TASKS RELEVANT TO THE COMMITTEE**

The Clerk was requested to contact Scott Macaulay-Lowe at Gloucestershire Highways to enquire what his findings had been regarding the gully in the vicinity of the Millennium seat in Bow Wow. Paul Swift at Gloucestershire Highways had informed the Clerk that two bollards had been installed that same Monday.

Check whether the grant from CDC for the supply of play equipment to Cerney Wick had been successful. An email from Cllr Walker (CDC) confirmed that the application from Cerney Wick for funds had been granted.

### **COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Cllr Mrs Chapman reported that there are excessive advertising signs at the junction of Cerney Wick Lane and Spine Road (East) B4496 and in the vicinity of the entrance to Spring Lake. The Clerk will inform the Enforcement Officer at CDC.

Cllr Harris reported that there was a damaged rail at the bottom of the ramp at the Silver Street/Northmoor Lane junction. Cllr Harris believes that the Cotswold Water Park Trust is responsible for its maintenance. Cllr Harris reported that the Cotswold Water Park Trust confirmed that it was its responsibility to maintain the fence and damaged rail.

Cllr Harris had oiled the D-shackles on the swings at Robert Franklin Way play area to stop them squeaking and noted that there was wear. The Clerk will ask Bob Berry to inspect all D-shackles at both play areas as part of his regular check-up.

Cllr Harris reported that the bus shelter at the Lennards junction with Station Road needed to be cleaned of algae. The Clerk will inform Andy West.

Cllr Harris asked the Clerk to inform the Waste Management team at Cotswold District Council about overflowing waste bins. Mr Snowden of Kingfisher Place had written to the Parish Council complaining about spilled waste.

Cllr Harris reported that he had met a member of the Environment Agency local team which had been tasked to survey the river Churn and detail problems that may be contributing to flooding issues. He pointed out that there was a build up of gravel just downstream of the Fanshawe Weir on the mill stream which is increasing the amount of water going through the weir. It was felt that this could have contributed to the problems encountered last winter at the lower Churn sluices and the Boxbush Road properties. This problem has now been logged and will hopefully be attended to.

Cllr Harris had contacted Arbor Tree Care regarding the maintenance of the Lime trees in Station Road. An unsolicited quotation to carry out minor crown lifting over the pavement for pedestrians as the offending branch tips could be pruned back up over the footway using pruning poles was rejected. Cllr Harris volunteered to lower the crowns to approximately 2.5m over the pavement. Cllr Nicholas agreed with Cllr Harris that the area to the east side of the Limes belonged to the Parish Council although persons unknown had planted some shrubs. Although there are shrubs planted alongside the wall, they are not maintained as there are brambles etc needing removal.

Cllr Stuart reported a conversation he had with Lady Fanshawe about rubbish which was being dumped from the churchyard onto her property. The Clerk will inform Tony Squire, Church Warden.

Cllr Harris reported an area on the Upper Up playing field, near to the wetland where the scrub needs to be cut back. Cllr Harris volunteered to do this work at no cost but at his convenience.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr Snowden from Kingfisher Place had written to complain about overflowing rubbish in the vicinity of the new bin outside his property. The Clerk will inform him that CDC Waste has been informed and it was Parish Council policy to install a bin beside every new seat.

There being no further business Cllr Stuart had closed the meeting at 8.23 pm.

## **REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2013**

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

### **Spreadsheet Analysis**

The fourth spreadsheet was on target as expected. Expenditure was approximately 1/3rd of the budget amounts although the Ground Maintenance expenses were at 50% but were expected to reduce later in the term.

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

The Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee recommended to contract Andy West to clear away the excessive growth around the notice board and bus shelter at the Limes as his quotation had been the cheaper. The Committee was minded to agree that a sign be made to advise those making contributions to the composting scheme as to what was acceptable. The Finance Committee should be made aware that suspected commercial dumping of garden material would increase the work load and consequent expense in

managing the compost. Cllr Stuart recommended that Kelvin Wearing be granted a further 3 hours per week for the next 12 weeks to cope with the increased labour involved in managing the compost. The Finance Committee had no objection and noted the comments from the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee.

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

### Payments Out

Petty Cash	Postage	£30.00
A. B. West	Litter collection and bus stop cleaning (July)	
		£110.49
M. McKee	BT telephone, internet access (July)	£38.86
M. McKee	O <sup>2</sup> contract (July)	£10.83
M. McKee	Clerk's travel (July)	£21.45
South Cerney United Church	Hire of hall for Community presentation	£32.00
Adrian Gibbs	Compost chipping	£144.00
Arbor Tree Care	Tree work as per quotation	£396.00
R.O.W. Berry	Painting the bus shelter as per quotation	£190.00
GAPTC	Good Councillors Guide	£6.90
White Design Associates Ltd	Design services Invoice No. 003	£4,305.60
Emily Hallett	Youth work (July)	£530.40
Julia Cunningham	Youth work (July)	£257.13
Busy Fingers Printing	500 A5 folders	£844.75
Kelvin Wearing	Work on compost (July)	£120.00
Kelvin Wearing	Transport for youth training (July)	£112.50
Patrick Mills	Reimbursement of travel costs to visit Youth & Community architects (total 3 passengers)	
		£60.27
David Smith	Reimbursement of travel costs to visit Youth & Community architects	£37.47
Raymond Fenton	Updating web pages 1 Jan–30 June	£300.00
Dream Team Television Ltd	Rent of space on server 1 Jan–30 June	£60.00
		<u>£7,608.65</u>

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

### Payments In

Flower Show 3rd Prize (Petty Cash)	Comp Team Class 24 Compost	£1.00
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### Correspondence

2. National Joint Council for Local Government Services – 2013/14 pay scales
16. Grant Thornton UK LLP – Audited Annual Return: On the basis of our review, in our opinion the information in the annual return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met. Cllr Jay congratulated the Clerk for the work he had carried out in managing the return.

There being no further business Cllr Jay had closed the meeting at 9.10 pm.

## **REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 12TH AUGUST 2013**

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

### **Apologies**

Cllr Nicholas had excused Cllr Mrs Chapman from attending the meeting as there was no business of any importance to discuss.

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

#### **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 (R)  
 COMMITTEE DECISION RATIFIED

#### **13/01961/FUL (New details)**

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Faulkner, Merlins, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TR  
 Proposal: Erection of a replacement dwelling at Laburnum, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TR

#### **13/02278/FUL (New details)**

Applicant: W. N. Fisheries Ltd, Isis Lakes, The Spine Road, South Cerney GL7 5TL  
 Proposal: Erection of a Fishermen's Lodge and Clubhouse. Use of existing managers accommodation for overnight accommodation for members and visitors. (Amended scheme to one previously approved under ref 05/03120/FUL) at Horseshoe Lake, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5UZ

#### **13/03017/FUL**

Applicants: Mr & Mrs Hinder, 25 Meadow Way, South Cerney GL7 6HY  
 Proposal: Erection of single storey rear extension at 25 Meadow Way, South Cerney GL7 6HY  
 NO OBJECTION

### **Planning applications for tree work received by Cotswold District Council**

#### **13/02958/TCONR**

Applicant: Mr Harris, The Limes, Upper Up, South Cerney GL7 5UT  
 Proposal: 1. Corsican Pine – remove 4 dead branches, 2. Acacia – reduce height to 4.5 metres and radial spread to 2 metres at The Limes, Upper Up, South Cerney GL7 5UT

#### **13/02962/TCONR**

Applicant: Mrs Sue Sefton, Churn Cottage, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TZ  
 Proposal: May tree – reduce in height leaving the tree 3 metres in height, 1.5m radial spread at Churn Cottage, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TZ

#### **13/03045/TPO**

Applicant: Watermark Ltd, Isis Lakes, The Spine Road, South Cerney GL7 5TL  
 Proposal: Various pruning and felling works as detailed in the report of B J Unwin Forestry Consultancy updated version, 29th July 2013 on land at Peninsula, Lake 16 (The Landings), Station Road, South Cerney

**13/03374/TCONR**

Applicants: Mrs M. Russell & Mr P. Troop, The Maltings, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UP  
 Proposal: Row of 7 Conifers – reduce the height of 5 and remove 2 stems 2. Bronze Maple – remove four thin lower branches. Variegated Acer – remove one lower branch. 2 – Birch  
 Trees fell at The Maltings, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UP

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

**Planning applications granted or not objected to by Cotswold District Council****13/00592/FUL CT.1454/5/R**

Extension of time of extant permission 06/00540/FUL (Construction of a motel with car park) on land at Lake 7 (Windrush), Cotswold Water Park, South Cerney

**13/00624/COMPLY**

Construction of showroom office store and assembly works – compliance with conditions 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 & 14 at Unit H, Lakeside Business Park, Broadway Lane, South Cerney

**13/01202/COMPLY**

Compliance with Condition 25 (Details of Broadway Lane/High St junction) – pursuant to Outline application (ref. 10/03916/OUT) for residential development (up to 150 dwellings), including associated infrastructure, access details, landscaping and the creation of new areas of public open space, together with a community hall facility (use class D1) The Mallards, Broadway Lane, South Cerney, Cirencester GL7 5TQ

**13/01731/FUL CT.4701/H**

Erection of a single-storey rear extension at Jasmine Cottage, Silver Street, South Cerney

**13/01732/LBC CT.4701/J**

Erection of a single-storey rear extension at Jasmine Cottage, Silver Street, South Cerney

**13/01961/FUL CT.8569/A**

Erection of a replacement dwelling at Laburnum, Silver Street, South Cerney

**13/02465/FUL CT.0144/5/N**

Single storey front, side and rear extension to existing dwelling at 6 Robert Franklin Way, South Cerney

**13/02474/FUL CT.1454/5/U**

Demolition of existing house and replacement with new dwelling, conversion of existing garage into fishery office and fishing store, and erection of new detached triple garage at Cherry Lake House, Wildmoorway Lane, South Cerney

Conditions to note: 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995, or any other statutory instrument amending or replacing it, no extensions, structures or buildings shall be erected, constructed or sited in the application site other than those permitted by this Decision Notice.

Reason: This permission relates to a replacement dwelling which is approved only on the basis that the new dwelling is of a similar size and scale to the existing dwelling. This condition is imposed in accordance with guidance in Cotswold District Local Plan Policy 22.



Condition 7. Before any works commence on site a detailed lighting scheme shall be submitted to the local planning authority for approval. Once approved the lighting scheme must be implemented as per the approved scheme and no further external lighting shall be installed without the prior written approval of the local planning authority.

Reason: To ensure that birds, otters, water voles and bats and their habitats are protected in accordance with the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010, the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended, in line with the National Planning Policy Framework (in particular section 11), Cotswold District Local Plan Policy 9 and in order for the Council to comply with Part 3 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006.

### **13/02814/TCONR**

This application type was for information purposes only and was not open to consultation. No initial alert would have been sent. Proposal: Tree 1 – False acacia fell, Tree 2 – Horse Chestnut fell at Century House, Silver Street, South Cerney GL7 5TS

### **13/02958/TCONR**

This application type was for information purposes only and was not open to consultation. No initial alert would have been sent. Proposal: 1. Corsican Pine – remove 4 dead branches, 2. Acacia – reduce height to 4.5 metres and radial spread to 2 metres at The Limes, South Cerney GL7 5UT

### **13/02962/TCONR**

This application type was for information purposes only and was not open to consultation. No initial alert would have been sent. Proposal: May Tree – reduce in height leaving the tree 3 metres in height, 1.5m radial spread at Churn Cottage, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TZ

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

### **13/02849/TELEC**

Prior Approval Notification of Installation of an Openreach broadband cabinet (reference PCP002) at land for broadband cabinet on Station Road, outside Ryedale, Clarks Hay, South Cerney. I refer to your notification received on 28 June 2013 concerning the above proposed development. It has been decided that the development does not require the prior approval of the Local Planning Authority.

There being no further business Cllr Nicholas had closed the meeting at 9.20 pm.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Gloucestershire Highways – Northmoor Lane report (emailed to Committee members)
2. National Joint Council for Local Government Services – 2013/14 Pay scales and allowances (emailed to Committee members)
3. CDC – Lake 31 application withdrawn: report from Helen Donnelly, Senior Planning Officer (Development Management) (emailed to Parish Councillors)
4. GCC – Road safety issues (emailed to Parish Councillors and members of the Speed Watch group)
5. CDC – Acknowledgement of response to Cotswold District Local Plan: Preferred Development Strategy consultation
6. Christopher Snowden & Jill Annan – Litter bin on Station Road/Kingfisher Place (acknowledged); (emailed to Committee members)

7. IAC (Internal Audit & Compliance Ltd) – Service introduction (emailed to Committee members)
8. Fastershire Broadband Project – Progress update from Keith Coles (Gloucestershire Media Team) on broadband network as the rollout of fibre broadband continues (emailed to Parish Councillors)
9. Quotation to trim back over growth around notice board, road sign and rubbish bin at Limes (a) R.O.W. Berry, (b) Andy West
10. CPRE – Countryside Voice (on circulation)
11. Cotswold Canals Trust – The TROW magazine Autumn 2013 (on circulation)
12. Gloucestershire Highways – Notification of road closure in Cerney Wick (emailed to Committee members)
13. South Cerney Youth Football Club – Acknowledgement and grateful thanks to the Parish Council for grant received by the club
14. Gloucestershire Highways – Temporary Traffic Order: notification of road closure to traffic on 3/180 Ashton Road to Siddington (emailed to Parish Councillors)
15. Quotation to brush sand on to Fenplay surfaces at Upper up – (a) Andy West
16. Grant Thornton UK LLP – Audited Annual Return: On the basis of our review, in our opinion the information in the annual return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met
17. Grant Thornton UK LLP – Satisfaction survey
18. Arbor Tree Care – Quotation for minor crown lifting of Lime trees in Station Road (emailed to Playing Field and Village Maintenance Committee)
19. Invitation to attend a Rotary International conference at 4 Pillars Hotel. Cllr Stuart suggested as the theme for the conference was on youth, a member of R Way should be asked to accept the invitation.
20. Sheila Dickson – Concerns over traffic throughout the village. The Clerk was asked to reply citing action through the Parish Plan

## **COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Cllr Nicholas reported that he had attended the public consultation on the Youth and Community Hall project at the United Church Hall in Clarks Hay on 19th July and visited the team of architects in Bristol on 20th July.

Cllr Parsons (GCC) reported on a meeting held with representatives from Thames Water (TW) to discuss the survey results on the Limes and other areas of the village. There were no conclusions available of the survey. Sensors had been placed in the main sewers in the Limes and Station Road to give advance warning if excess sewerage was in the system. He told TW representatives that short term assurances were necessary while long term plans are evolved. TW hoped to have profiling ready for the next meeting in a month's time.

Cllr Jay had attended the meetings on the Youth and Community Hall project at the United Church and with the architect team in Bristol. David Coope would be leaving the sub committee and the Clerk was asked to write a letter thanking Mr Coope for his involvement. David Croft had been selected as his replacement. On Tuesday 30th July Cllr Jay attended the Police Neighbourhood Panel meeting in the Village Hall. Cllr Jay informed the Clerk that he would not be available in September to produce photo copies of Parish Council

information for Cllr Mrs Chapman. Cllr Stuart volunteered to do the copying for collection by Cllr Mrs Chapman at the Post Office.

Cllr Mrs Layton (CDC) reported that a new development of approximately 150 houses with shop would replace the Cotswold Community Centre just over the border in Wiltshire. Cllr Mrs Layton (CDC) informed the meeting that she had accepted an invitation to attend a meeting at Ashton Keynes PC with Somerford Keynes PC and representatives of the developer. Cllr Harris informed the Parish Council that it would be a Four Seasons scheme.

Cllr Mrs Land had attended the Youth and Community Hall presentation at the United Church Hall on Saturday 20th July. She also made a courtesy visit by invitation to the Duke of Gloucester Barracks on 10th July.

Cllr Stuart reported that he had attended a reception on 10th July to celebrate 29 RLC 20th anniversary of the forming of the regiment. On 11th July along with Cllr Mrs Land and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge he had attended the Open Day. Again, an excellent demonstration of the enthusiasm and efficiency of the regiment and its soldiers. On 20th July he had attended the open meeting re the new Community Hall. On 23rd July he had a meeting with Helen Richards (GRCC) to discuss various projects for the Village Hall and the WILD scheme. On 25th July he had met with the owner of the fields to the west of River Way and Paul Stratford a local Thames Water (TW) engineer and David Dunn to discuss how to deal with the flooding of the highway by the garage area due to faulty land drain. David has undertaken to carefully excavate the drain to ascertain the cause of the problem. On 30th July he had attended a Police Neighbourhood Panel meeting held in the Village Hall. On Wednesday 7th August he visited R-Way play scheme at the Scout Hut. On 14th August he had a meeting with TW and Cllr Parsons (GCC) regarding the faulty sewers as reported earlier by Cllr Parsons. Finally he reported that work was expected to start at the end of the month on the two old railway bridges near Robert Franklin Way play area.

### **CERNEY NEWS ITEMS**

Cllr Kimberley suggested that antisocial parking on footpaths should be highlighted advising every one who saw such practice to report it by telephoning 101. Indeed any suspicious behaviour should be reported on 999.

The draft Parish Plan should be published on the web site and comments invited. The plan will be an agenda item for the September meeting.

There will be a major road closure on the Ashton Keynes to Siddington road from 23rd September 2013 – 25th October 2013.

A public meeting is being planned for November to explain how the Parish Council makes its financial plans for the coming fiscal year starting April 2014. It will be shown how a grant from the Parish Council could help the aspirations of local groups which have the best interests of the Parish of South Cerney with Cerney Wick in mind. Parish Councillors will gauge the feelings of villagers if there should be a need to increase the amount collected in Council Tax which is currently £45.18 a year for a Band D dwelling. If a club or recognised grouping are intending to make a bid for a grant it is vitally important that a representative is present at the meeting. Be advised that failure to attend the meeting may exclude any bid for a grant.

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