

Cllr Stuart welcomed Chris Cowcher the Rural Adviser at GRCC. Chris informed Parish Councillors that GRCC are currently looking at ways to regenerate old Parish Plans. The way forward is to review and refresh those existing plans. It is hoped that South Cerney will be the parish to pilot the scheme to the next level. Chris offered his support and guidance as only one major consultation will be required and GRCC will appreciate the feed back. Parish Plans or in our case the Village Plan he explained, continually evolve. Chris replied to a query from Cllr Counce who asked what types of schemes other parishes had used, saying that many had used the South Cerney scheme as a template although every one was different. Some concentrated on single issues and moved on to another when the primary objective was achieved. There were only 12 parishes in the Cotswold District with a Parish Plan although there were many with action plans which perform similarly to parish plans. Chris explained that the plans provided access to grants as they established proof of community demand for projects. Cllr Stuart stated that to start the regeneration the Parish Council should produce a history, provide a display of previous achievements and invite residents to offer their views on what should happen next. Chris agreed to look at the progress on the allotments at Upper Up on his way home. Cllr Stuart thanked Chris for his presentation and he left the meeting at 7.30pm.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SOUTH CERNEY ON WEDNESDAY 14TH APRIL 2010

Chairman M. Stuart
 Vice Chairman P. Nicholas
 Parish Councillor J. Counce
 Mrs F. Chapman
 Mrs E. Chubb
 J. Harris
 P. Jay
 J. Kimberley
 Mrs C. Tunbridge
 R. Webb
 E. Jenkins (CDC)
 P. Messenger (CDC)
 S. Parsons (GCC)

Cllr Stuart thanked Cllr Nicholas for taking over as Chairman at the previous Parish Council meeting. Cllr Jay thanked Cllr Webb for chairing the Finance Committee at the previous meeting.

APOLOGIES

Cllr Mrs Land had apologised for her absence as she was on holiday. Cllr Bennett (CDC) apologised for his absence as he was attending another meeting.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10TH MARCH 2010

Page 2656: **COUNCILLORS' REPORTS** – 3rd paragraph 2nd line delete: hides insert – hide

Page 2657: 4th paragraph 1st line insert before: Forum – Allotments

It was proposed by Cllr Webb and seconded by Cllr Harris that the amended minutes were a true and accurate record. Due to their absence from the previous meeting Cllr Counce, Cllr Jay and Cllr Stuart abstained from voting. The remainder of the Parish Council was all in favour.

CONGRATULATIONS

Cllr Stuart congratulated Cllr Kimberley and his wife Becky on the birth of their son Jasper-Jack Charles.

YOUTH PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

No one attended to represent the Youth Parish Council (YPC). Jasmin Tresadern had emailed the Parish Council apologising on behalf of the YPC for not attending the previous meetings. Due to pressure of course work it just had not been possible she explained. Jasmin relayed news that the Youth Parish Council has managed to interest two new members and are currently organising events and activities.

MATTERS ARISING

The Chairman Cllr Stuart asked for matters arising which were not discussed at the Committee meetings.

Cllr Nicholas gave a brief resumé of the public meeting at Somerford Keynes village hall held to discuss the management of the Cotswold Water Park Society. Cllr Nicholas stated that this meeting was just the start of securing more open and hopefully transparent communication with the society. The society has in the past been skewed towards the commercial aspect of the park rather than for the benefit of the public. One outcome is the way in which information is now promulgated and easily accessed through the web site at www.cotswoldlakes.org.uk. The web site does not represent the views of the parishes involved but displays public information although some non-contentious views will be published. The Parish Council agreed that Cllr Nicholas should continue to manage the information on the web site and Cllr Nicholas stated that he was happy to do so.

Cllr Jenkins (CDC) added that it was a valuable exercise with over 200 attending. Cllr Stuart said that the event had ignited public concern and many more people were now aware of the situation which was concerning local residents of the parishes associated with the Water Park.

Cllr Nicholas and the Clerk will attend a follow-up meeting of the three parishes on Monday 19th April to decide on what to do next.

Page 2654: Cllr Mrs Chapman reiterated that the mound of tarmac outside Eden House in Cerney Wick had not been removed. The Clerk will remind Paul Swift at Gloucestershire Highways.

Page 2655: Cllr Jay stated that since the removal of the recycling bins there is now an opportunity to refurbish the Upper Up car park. If necessary a public loan could be used to finance this scheme. Cllr Stuart had met with Mike Grosscurth from James Slater and Co who had written to the Parish Council explaining the options available on how to solve the problems. Cllr Nicholas volunteered to enquire from the land agent at the Ernest Cook Trust in Fairford for feed back on how a grass covered honey combed concrete surface had stood the test of time. The Clerk will email his communication to members of the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee for their appraisal and add the item to its agenda for May.

Page 2657: Cllr Stuart reported that further vandalism had occurred at the Tennis Club pavilion. He had informed PC Sue Watkins and PCSO Mike Owen had inspected the damage. A potential deterrent could be the installation of a CCTV surveillance camera. The Clerk will email parish councillors with the specification of kit for consideration. Cllr Stuart will check with Tony Dix Community Safety Officer at CDC for his opinion on its suitability.

Page 2661: Cllr Jay had been surprised and taken aback by the reaction of members of the South Cerney Trust and the Phoenix Trust when he had suggested to them that they consider

making a contribution to a fund to supply an automatic external defibrillator (AED) in the village. Questions were asked on the security of the apparatus and its possible mis-use. Who would be responsible for its replacement if used and consequent servicing? Cllr Counce likened its use to that of life belts which were generally ignored by vandals. Cllr Nicholas stated that it would not be possible to stop it being stolen although if it saves a life then it would be a fair trade off.

CLERK'S REPORT

On Thursday 11th March I attended the AGM of the Gloucestershire and Avon branch of the SLCC at Minchinhampton. Bethan Osborne, National Advisor to the SLCC on Human Resources was the guest speaker.

On Monday 22nd March I accompanied Cllr Stuart to a meeting at Somerford Keynes village hall which discussed the forthcoming Public Meeting to be held on Friday 26th.

On Friday 26th March I attended the public meeting at Somerford Keynes village hall to observe the debate on the management of the Cotswold Water Park.

On Thursday 8th April I attended a meeting of the Gloucestershire Charter at the Fire Station in Eastern Avenue, Barnwood. Chris Griffin, Deputy Chief Fire Officer gave a presentation on the duties for which the service is responsible. In the large conurbations a response time of 8 minutes can be expected. From retained fire stations the time can be significantly longer as personnel must travel to the station. There are no plans for the closure of retained or other fire stations in Gloucestershire. Three new ones will be built in the Cheltenham and Gloucester area and another will be demolished and a completely new centre will be built on the site. The Fire Service in the United Kingdom is rightly proud of the fact that it has the lowest record of death by fire in the western world. Terry Standing, Chief Fire Officer was also in attendance. A report from Gloucestershire Highways followed. Martyn Summerell has retired and is replaced by Cath Howard. Salt runs over the winter period averaged 85 for the past two years while there was an average of 36 over the previous 8 year period. Four new salt domes will be installed and one has been completed in the Moreton area which will hold 2½ thousand tonnes. Estimated damage to the roads during the winter has been over £5 million of which £1 million has been contributed from central government. The emergency inspections of the past three months have been suspended and normal inspections were resumed on 7th April.

During March of the 23 available working days I averaged 3 hours 55 minutes per day that is 1½ hours per week in excess of my contract which I am happy to accept.

REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE VILLAGE MAINTENANCE & PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 12TH APRIL 2010

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

Cllr Counce thanked Cllr Harris for making the previous committee's report to the Parish Council on his behalf at last month's Parish Council meeting.

Apology

Cllr Nicholas had made an apology for his absence as he would be on holiday.

Matters Arising from previous Minutes

Page 2654 – **Upper Up allotments.** Cllr Stuart reported that 20 allotments had been pegged out and allocated. There had been vigorous activity on ground preparation in anticipation of

planning permission being granted. Cllr Caunce reported that an enquiry had been made whether flowers for eventual sale could be cultivated for sale. The Committee agreed with Cllr Caunce who had informed the person that commercial adventures would be prohibited.

Page 2655 – **Upper Up car park.** Cllr Stuart reported that he had been in contact with Mike Grosscurth from James Slater & Co. Mr Grosscurth will write to the Parish Council with his observations on the drainage problem.

Page 2655 – **Kewstoke hedge.** As no action had been taken to reduce the overgrowing hedge from obscuring the light Cllr Harris will endeavour to contact Barry Greenaway at GCC Lighting Department to ascertain when action will be taken to remedy the situation.

Since the Committee meeting, Cllr Harris had contacted Mr Greenaway on several points. Mr Greenaway told him that the light near the hedge had been inspected and no action was anticipated at this time as he did not consider the situation an issue. Low level lighting in the Bow Wow was not an option. Action would be taken to restore the timers on the street lighting in The Lennards, Box Bush and Robert Franklin Way within two days.

Page 2655 – **Cherry tree damage.** Cllr Harris confirmed that the tree had been replaced.

Page 2655 – **Damage to public seat at Preaching Cross.** Cllr Stuart had been in contact with Matthew King and reparation was expected in the near future.

Page 2656 – **Flooded PROW at rear of sewerage works.** Cllr Harris remarked that the flooded would be better described as at the rear of the sewerage works near the eastern bird hide. The Clerk had informed the Clerk at Somerford Keynes Parish Council that Mike Barton from PROW at GCC had been notified.

Page 2657 – **Moss clearance from safety surfaces.** The Clerk will ask suitable contractors to quote to remove moss from the soft tarmac area at Upper Up and under the climbing frame at Cerney Wick.

Page 2657 – **Replacement slatted seats on the frame in the play area at Cerney Wick.** The Clerk had emailed Cllr Caunce the details of a supplier of substitute seats for his perusal. Cllr Caunce had selected seats at a cost of £110 including delivery plus VAT and cost to install which will be discussed at the next meeting of the Committee.

Page 2658 – **Train unit inspection at Robert Franklin Way play area.** Cllr Harris has arranged that the inspection team and Cllr Stuart will meet at the play area to decide on what action to recommend on the refurbishment.

Cllr Harris and Cllr Stuart had inspected the unit since the Committee met and come to the conclusion that it should be condemned. The floor is in a very bad condition although the unit is still safe to use. Members of the Committee were asked to think about replacing the unit and bring their suggestions to the next meeting.

The Clerk was asked to enquire from Chris Graham of Moore Allen and Innocent if Bruton Knowles had lodged the money for payment of the contractor to refurbish the path around the humps and bumps at Upper Up.

Cllr Stuart had spoken to Mr Graham who informed him that he had submitted a full claim to Bruton Knowles on 18th March but as yet had not received an acknowledgement. Cllr Stuart had emphasised the urgency involved as this Parish Council would complete its term in May of next year and it was hoped that the problem could be sorted out by then.

INSPECTION REPORTS

Robert Franklin Way

Cllr Mrs Chubb and Cllr Mrs Tunbridge had carried out the inspections. Cllr Mrs Chubb made the report. All the equipment was deemed to be safe.

Upper Up

Cllr Caunce read the report submitted by Cllr Stuart as he had left the meeting earlier to attend another engagement. All of the equipment was in a good state but the soft pour surface in the vicinity of the slide appeared to be cracking in places and would need to be monitored. No action had been taken by the company which had supplied the youth shelter to restore the cracks in the base area. The allotment area was progressing well. The mole problem had been minimised and overall the grass areas were looking good after the initial cut of the season.

Cerney Wick

Cllr Caunce reported that the playground was all in order. The signs relating to dogs, notification of ownership and the nearest emergency facilities had been replaced.

RECOMMENDATION TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Cllr Harris declared a prejudicial interest in this next item and left the room.

Refurbishment of the Upper Up path from the car park approximately 175 metres west

Two quotations had been analysed by the Committee and it was decided to recommend to the Finance Committee that the cheaper from James Harris Contracting is accepted.

Cllr Harris returned to the room.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Caunce noted that the recycling bins had been removed from the Upper Up car park and the area refurbished. The Clerk was asked to thank Scott Williams (CDC) for the action.

Cllr Kimberley reported that the signs for the Cotswold Water Park and Wick Water Lane needed to be replaced. The Clerk had informed Rob Bull (CDC) who told him that the signs were the responsibility of the Water Park Society as it had installed them originally. Mr Bull had passed the observation to the society.

Cllr Kimberley asked if signs denoting the existence of the cycle path along the Spine Road could be installed. Cllr Caunce volunteered to speak with Paul Swift from Gloucestershire Highways regarding the request. Since the Committee meeting Cllr Kimberley had received assurance that the signage will be updated in the next few days.

Cllr Kimberley reported that the rubbish in the highway verges along Broadway Lane had not been cleared. The Clerk will inform Scott Williams at CDC. Scott had informed the Clerk that he would inspect.

Cllr Kimberley noted that the damaged waste bin in Peyman's Terrace had not been replaced. The Clerk will inform Scott Williams at CDC. Scott had informed the Clerk that he would inspect.

Cllr Kimberley welcomed the installation of the new kissing gate at the school end of the newly opened footpath from there to Upper Up. He was concerned at the narrowness of the path where it passed the black tin shed and also the loose piece of metal sheet sticking out at the height of a child's face.

The Clerk reported that Mr Ascough and others had cleared the path of old horse manure. The Committee asked the Clerk to thank him and colleagues for their efforts.

Cllr Kimberley was concerned at the speed of traffic using Broadway Lane and suggested that the police are asked to install the Archer device to monitor the situation.

Cllr Harris enquired if Gloucestershire Highways had given an indication of possible action to clear that part of Bow Wow which was being obstructed by an overgrowing hedge on land belonging to Lady Fanshawe. The Clerk will contact Paul Swift at Gloucestershire Highways.

Cllr Mrs Chubb reported a potential trip hazard on the access to the wooden bridge from Box Bush to Bow Wow. Cllr Mrs Chubb also had reservations on the installation of some of the kissing gates which were not secure enough to prevent sheep escaping. Cllr Mrs Chubb will contact Mike Barton with her concerns.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mrs Johnsen had written to the Parish Council asking that it considers reducing the bulk of the Holm oak tree on the piece as it reducing the light to her garden. The Committee had asked the Clerk to forward the previous reply made on this matter, to members. After considering the situation in conjunction with the last request in 2007 and consulting with the Cotswold Water Park Society's biodiversity officer Gareth Harris the Parish Council decided that the attitude of the Parish Council remains unchanged. The Clerk will inform Mrs Johnsen.

There being no further business Cllr Caunce had closed the meeting at 8.12pm.

REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 12TH APRIL 2010

Cllr Jay and Cllr Webb attended the meeting.

Cllr Jay had opened the meeting at 8.30pm.

As only two members of the Committee were in attendance and therefore not quorate, no decisions could be taken.

Apologies

Cllr Mrs Land and Cllr Nicholas had made apologies for their absence as they were on holiday. Cllr Stuart was attending another function.

Spreadsheet Analysis

The final spreadsheet showed all expenditure at an acceptable level.

Recommendation for acceptance from the Playing Fields and Village Maintenance Committee

The Playing Field and Village Maintenance Committee requested that the Finance Committee accepts its recommendation that the cheaper quotation for the refurbishment of the path from car park at Upper Up 175 yards west be accepted. The Committee had recommended to the Parish Council that it agrees to accept the lower quotation from James Harris Contracting.

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Kimberley that the Parish Council accepts the recommendation from the Finance Committee. Cllr Harris abstained. The remaining members of the Parish Council were all in favour.

Engagement contract with Youth Worker

Emily Hallett had presented a draft contract for her engagement by the Parish Council outlining her responsibilities and commitments in return for which the Parish Council would agree to contract her on a monthly basis from 1st January 2010 until 31st March 2011. The Committee recommends that the Parish Council accepts this contract for her services to the youth of the parish.

The Parish Council agreed with Cllr Kimberley who insisted that evidence of her Public Liability insurance and Criminal Records Bureau check were in order. The Clerk will write and ask Mrs Hallett to produce the documents at her earliest convenience.

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Kimberley that the Parish Council accepts the contract. The Parish council was all in favour.

Internal Audit – Accounts

The Committee approved the annual return of the accounts for year 1st April 2009 to 31st March 2010 and recommended that the Parish Council agrees that they are passed to the auditor for his inspection. Cllr Jay asked the Clerk to write to Mrs Gardiner to thank her for the speedy way with which she completed the task within the very constrained time allowed.

Annual return of the accounts for the period April 2009 to March 2010

It was proposed by Cllr Jay and seconded by Cllr Mrs Chubb that the Parish Council accepts the recommendation of the Finance Committee. The Parish Council was in full agreement. The Chairman Cllr Stuart and the Clerk will sign the documents when the Minute page is recorded and then the Clerk will forward them to the external auditors for their scrutiny.

Payments Outstanding

Thames Water	Outstanding fees (MAI) (ex VAT)	£4,894.90
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Payments Withheld

Park Leisure Ltd	Previously withheld final tranche	£2,000.00
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Payments In

Mr & Mrs Puffet,		
Mr & Mrs Berry	Memorial tree payments	£290.00
South Cerney Cricket Club	Share of water bill (16-11-09 – 14-02-10)	£10.41
Zycko Ltd	Donation in aid of AED	£200.00
Scottish & Southern Energy	3 wayleave payments	<u>£27.67</u>
		£528.07

Payments Out

Petty Cash	Bus shelter cleansing (April)	£50.00
Petty Cash	Litter picking (South Cerney April)	£100.00
M. McKee	BT telephone and internet access (March)	£41.00
M. McKee	Clerk's travel (March)	£61.30
CPRE	Annual subscription renewal	£29.00
Philip Nicholas	Reimbursement for cost of planning application for allotments at Upper Up	£202.50
Terminator Pest Control	Mole catching at Upper Up	£100.00
Emily Hallett	Sessions with South Cerney Youth Group	£480.00
Southern Electric	Electric supply to bus shelters	£21.37
Busy Fingers Copying	Photocopying	£17.63
Adrian Gibbs	Ground maintenance (March)	£687.37
Mrs J. Gardiner	Internal audit	£300.00
Mike Stuart	Reimbursement of ink cartridge	<u>£23.67</u>
	Sub Total:	£2,113.84

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

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

Cllr Harris declared a prejudicial interest in the next payment and left the room.

James Harris Contracting	Replacement tree work	£188.00
		Total Payments: £2,301.84

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

Cllr Harris returned to the room.

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

REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 12TH APRIL 2010

Cllr Mrs Chapman and Cllr Webb attended the meeting.

Cllr Webb opened the meeting at 9.10pm.

As only two members of the Committee were in attendance and therefore not quorate, no decisions could be taken.

Apologies

Cllr Mrs Land and Cllr Nicholas had made apologies for their absence as they were on holiday. Cllr Stuart was attending another function.

Occupancy of Second Homes

Cllr Messenger (CDC) agreed to enquire if the results of the annual check on occupancy of second homes during the void period of mid January to mid February were available for inspection.

Future use of the Scout Hut site

Cllr Caunce, Cllr Jay, Cllr Nicholas and Cllr Stuart had met to discuss how to secure the future use of the scout hut site. Chris Vickery, Forward Planning Manager at CDC advised not to rely on the Local Development Framework (LDF) alone. It was important to voice concern now, rather than when the lease expires, to our ward District Councillors and to emphasise that the Scout Hut was the only building in the community suitable for youth activities. The Scout Hut must be preserved at all costs. Its location, use and need were all of exceptional value to the general community and could possibly be used by mixed groups and not just the scouts. Parish Councillors agreed that they would like to work with the District Council on an appropriate use of the site, possibly in conjunction with a small development if necessary. Cllr Jay enquired from Cllr Jenkins (CDC) and Cllr Messenger (CDC) if they could find out whom the Parish Council should be talking to at the district level. Cllr Kimberley stated that the youth were a resource of the community. Cllr Stuart said that agreement was needed with the County and District Commissioners of the Scout Association to come up with a plan to make more use of the grassed area.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY COTSWOLD DISTRICT COUNCIL

10/00095/FUL (NEW DETAILS)

Applicant: Mr P. Purcell, Letterbox Cottage, 3 The Old Post Office, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UG

Proposal: Erection of single storey conservatory in garden adjoining rear of house at Letterbox Cottage, 3 The Old Post Office, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UG

NO OBJECTION

10/00941/ADV

Applicant: W. M. Active Ltd, Isis Lakes, Spine Road, South Cerney GL7 5TL

Proposal: Erection of one information sign for Cotswold Country Park and beach at Lake 7, Spine Road East, South Cerney

The Committee agreed that such a sign would be detrimental to the visual amenity of the area.
OBJECTION

10/01006/FUL

Applicant: Ms Keri-Anne Bailey, Sawmills Barn, High Street, Meysey Hampton GL7 5JP

Proposal: Erection of an additional dwelling at 5 The Leaze, South Cerney GL7 5UL (R)

Although a response of no objection had been submitted the Parish Council agreed that further to the previous recommendation and after additional consideration it now wished to object to this application. The Parish Council agreed that it is an excessively cramped form of development which is likely to be oppressive to neighbouring properties. The curtilage provided will be disproportionately small in relation to other properties in the vicinity.

OBJECTION

It was proposed by Cllr Caunce and seconded by Cllr Jay that the Parish Council agrees with the recommendations of the Planning Committee. The Parish Council was all in favour.

Cllr Nicholas declared a prejudicial interest in this application as the applicant was a client of his firm and left the room.

10/01011/FUL

Applicant: Miss Donya Urwin, Plough Cottage, Station Road, South Cerney GL7 5UE

Proposal: Erection of a first floor extension to rear (extension of time limit for implementation of permission 05/00311/FUL) at Plough Cottage, Station Road, South Cerney GL7 5UE

It was proposed by Cllr Caunce and seconded by Cllr Kimberley that the Parish Council does not object to this proposal. The Parish Council was all in favour.

NO OBJECTION

Cllr Nicholas returned to the room.

10/01166/FUL

Applicant: South Cerney Parish Council, 6 North Home Road, Cirencester GL7 1DP

Proposal: Change of use of recreation park to create 21 allotments to south of tennis courts at Upper Up Recreation Ground, Upper Up, South Cerney GL7 5UT

NO RESPONSE

PLANNING APPLICATIONS GRANTED BY COTSWOLD DISTRICT COUNCIL**10/00095/FUL (NEW DETAILS)**

Erection of single storey conservatory in garden adjoining rear of house at Letterbox Cottage, 3 The Old Post Office, High Street, South Cerney GL7 5UG

10/00505/FUL CT.8795/C

Erection of a replacement dwelling (amendment to 09/00243/FUL for alteration to porch, fenestration, roof and materials) at Lacroft, School Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TZ

Condition to note: 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995, or any other statutory instrument amending or

replacing it, no new opening, extensions, structures, buildings or hardstandings shall be inserted, erected, constructed or sited on the application site or any external elevations altered, other than those permitted by this Decision Notice. Reason: The site has a distinct and attractive character and appearance and it is important that careful consideration is given to future development to ensure that the character and appearance of the locality is preserved. This condition is imposed in accordance with guidance in PPG15, Cotswold District Local Plan Policies 18, 15 and 42.

10/00733/FUL CT.0006/5/C

Installation of a generator on hard standing at Unit D, Inda House, The Mallards, Broadway Lane, South Cerney GL7 5TQ

10/01468/TCONR

This application type was for information purposes only and was not open to consultation. No initial alert would have been sent.

Works to trees outside Churn Cottage and Cordal Lodge in School Lane, South Cerney.
T. 1 Ash – reduce to previous height. T. 2,3,4 Willow – repollard

There being no further business Cllr Webb had closed the meeting at 9.30pm.

COMMUNITY RESILIENCE CONSULTATION – EMERGENCY RISK PLANNING

Cllr Stuart advised that the parish should follow the example of Weston sub Edge and persuade local ex-servicemen to join a group to create a plan. The Parish Council was in favour of this solution and Cllr Stuart will approach suitable candidates. Cllr Parsons (GCC) suggested that the local Fire and Emergency Service should be able to help.

PARISH COUNCIL RISK ASSESSMENT

The Clerk had updated the risk assessment. It was proposed by Cllr Nicholas and seconded by Cllr Jay that the risk assessment was suitable for purpose. The Parish Council was all in favour.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Mrs P. Johnsen – Oak tree on The Piece (emailed to Parish Councillors; acknowledgement sent to Mrs Johnsen)
2. Cheltenham, Cirencester & Tewkesbury CAB – Request for a donation (to list)
3. James Harris Contracting – Quote for tree work as specified in the Village Tree Survey (see March Minutes page 2655)
4. (a) Cerney Lakes Tennis Club – Grant acknowledgement
(b) Dr G. McInerney (Indigo) – Donation acknowledgement
(c) All Hallows Church (Street Fair) – Donation acknowledgement
(d) GPFA – Donation acknowledgement
(e) DISC – Donation acknowledgement
(f) CHYP – Donation acknowledgement
5. South Cerney Cricket Club – Notification of change of officers
6. Cotswold Sailing Club – Camping Exemption renewal
7. (a) Gloucestershire Constabulary – Record of criminal damage at Robert Franklin Way play area crime ref CR/006612/10
(b) Gloucestershire Constabulary – Insufficient evidence to detect incident

8. James Gray MP – Copy correspondence regarding application to add footpaths on Definitive Map of Wiltshire
9. CPRE – Membership renewal
10. CDC – Street trader application RSVP by 12th April (emailed to Parish Councillors)
11. GRCC – Application to compete in Gloucestershire Vibrant Village of the Year 2010 (emailed to Parish Councillors)
Cllr Stuart explained that the competition would be judged on four categories. He had spoken with Reta May Matthews of the United Church who was very keen in making a contribution. Cllr Kimberley will also become involved. Cllr Stuart will approach members of the Football, Cricket and Tennis clubs and Cllr Jay will contact members of the South Cerney Trust.
12. South Cerney Angling Club – Appeal for funding
It was proposed by Cllr Counce and seconded by Cllr Jay that the Parish Council should make a donation of £100 to the South Cerney Angling Club for its youth coaching scheme. The Parish Council was all in favour.
13. CDC – Street trader application RSVP by 16th April (emailed to Parish Councillors)
14. GAPTC – Update magazine March edition (already emailed); Training events: Standing Orders; Working With Your Council; Time Management
15. Emily Hallett – Draft contract of engagement as a youth worker
16. Zurich Insurance – Invitation to attend Annual Local Council Advisory Service on management of risk
17. CPRE – Newsletter Spring 2010; Diary of Events 2010 (on circulation)
18. RIAT 2010 – Invitation to attend briefing at Douglas Bader House, Fairford
19. James Harris Contracting – Quotation to refurbish the path from the car park at Upper Up to the start of that section under the agreement with Thames Water
20. Youth Parish Council – Apology from Jasmin Tresadern; YPC news
21. Gloucestershire Police Authority – Neighbourhood Policing and Neighbourhood Engagement questionnaire
22. Mike Grosscurth MRICS – Professional advice on action to be taken to solve the drainage problem on the Upper Up car park

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Harris reported that he had attended a meeting of the Tree Warden Group at CDC council chamber on Saturday 20th March. Congratulations to Maurice Taylor, Lisa Dickson and Ruby Dickson who were awarded Runners Up prizes in the Cotswold District Council's Tree Photo Competition.

Cllr Stuart will enquire from Adrian Gibbs how much will it cost to keep the weeds under control on the Bow Wow bank.

Cllr Kimberley reported that Bob Lawrence had informed him that he would investigate the possibility of improving the signage for the cycle route on the Spine Road.

Cllr Mrs Chapman thanked Cllr Parsons (GCC) for his efforts in motivating Gloucestershire Highways to improve the surface water problem on the highway near the Barn and Manor House corner in Cerney Wick.

Cllr Stuart had met with Gareth Harris, biodiversity officer at Cotswold Water Park Society after he had surveyed the area late one evening. Gareth will send a written report of his findings. On 23rd March Cllr Stuart attended a meeting of the Safer Cotswolds at CDC. On Tuesday 13th April Cllr Stuart reported damage caused by vandals to PC Sue Watkins, to the door of the Tennis Club's pavilion. Deposits for composting were causing a problem through the excessive amounts being left. Cllr Stuart was confident that negotiations with Simon Brown Community Liaison and PR Officer at GCC would resolve the matter soon.

There being no further business Cllr Stuart closed the meeting at 10.33pm.