

## Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Somerford Keynes Parish Council 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015

Present: Cllrs S Powell (Chair), R Sleeman, K.Mogridge, J. Brailey, M.Pinto, CDC Cllr Tony Berry, Mrs M.Watkins (Clerk) and 3 members of the public.

Apologies: Cllrs Munroe and McKeown

Declaration of interest: JB on Tree work at Ashland House

1. **Minutes** of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015 were approved and signed. Prop KM, sec RS

### 2. **Business remaining**

2.1 **Lake 31** – No further news .SP to chase

2.2 **Lake 99.** Cllr Pinto has consulted a solicitor about the PRoW around L 99, capping any costs at £200. Will Vicary of LME has agreed that Section 106 monies can be used to construct a boardwalk between the two lakes. Only agreement of CDC still to come. Bike racks, dog bins, life buoys and the Interpretation Board have been installed and the opening could be imminent. Letters of objection to a possible small scale fishing enterprise have been received from two residents of Mill Lane.

2.3 **Defibrillator** –A training session has been arranged for November 2<sup>6th</sup> and will be carried out by a local trainer from Community Heartbeat Trust.

2.4 **LME cycleway** –Will Vicary has advised that all the legal agreements are to be signed this week, but gave no dates for the commencement of the work.

2.5 **Neighbourhood Development Plan.** A meeting of the whole NDP team took place last week, focussing on businesses within the Parish. KM is doing the paperwork on Green Spaces which is an element of NDP. It is felt that there is some urgency to complete this, as CWPT has announced that all their sites, including Neigh Bridge will be put out for tender shortly, and PC is anxious to protect the ones in the village. SKPC NDP team has studied the Ashton Keynes Plan which has been put out for consultation, and will formulate their response.

2.6 **Local Plan.** The second Draft will be published before the end of 2015 and is expected to contain those suggestions of the many made, that will be included in the new Plan

2.7 **Cullimore.** Infrastructure is gradually being installed. A meeting has been arranged for October 13<sup>th</sup> for PC to discuss its concerns about the latest Water Management Plan, with Jason Betty of GCC and Richard Michener the consultant from Atkins. It is feared that ground Water levels may have been miscalculated, which could dramatically affect potential flooding in the village.

2.8 **Emergency Plan** – **KM** is to arrange a meeting in October to take this forward.

2.9 **Flooding** – Geoffrey Clifton-Brown is to hold one of his six-monthly forums on Flooding on 27<sup>th</sup> November at CDC. JB and RS to attend.

2.10 **Cotswold Community Development** A meeting was held with Rob Garnham and Mark Chadwick on behalf of Amita, to hear the latest news about their proposed development at Cotswold Community. They expressed concern that Ashton Keynes NDP had designated only 75 houses to this brownfield site, as opposed to the hoped for 150. Wiltshire Council , being unused to having rural brownfield sites, had left this decision to AKPC. PC was disappointed that at this size, there was no benefit to SK, the nearest parish albeit across the County boundary, and the development would lose the possibility of becoming a viable community.

2.11 **Cotswold Water Park Trust. The AGM was held recently.** At the first attempt the meeting was not quorate, so a second meeting was held a week later, at which the Master Plan was discussed with a Planning company, who expressed thoughts that SKPC NDP could possibly be rather firmer than it is. It was announced that all CWPT sites were to be put out for tender to reduce the responsibility for maintenance on the Trust.

2.12 **Highways** On-going. Cllr Berry to pursue existing matters as previously listed.

3 **Correspondence** Robin Rogers, now a Trustee of CWPT, has contacted the Chair to explain that the Trust is employing a Planning consultant and wishes to meet with SKPC in Village Hall on 16<sup>th</sup> September at 11:30. A briefing paper will be sent before the meeting to give details of the Agenda

### 4. **Planning Applications**

Treework at Ashland House no objection

#### **Planning Permissions**

GCC Shorncote Solar Array permitted

## **5 Financial Matters**

**Receipt** of 2<sup>nd</sup> tranche of Precept £625.00

### **Payments:**

Clerk's salary, July-September £257.20      Approved en bloc Prop JB, seconded MP  
HMRC £62.20

Interpretation Board for Lake 99 £1452.00 inc VAT

Village Hall tables £870.00 + VAT £174.00

Village Hall curtains to a maximum of £1500.00 inc VAT

## **6 Questions**

KM asked about Mapping Software. SP referred her to advice from Ashton Keynes PC

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.

The next monthly meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday November 2nd 2015 at 7.30p.m.in the Village Hall.