**Minutes of the Meeting of Somerford Keynes Parish Council (SKPC) 7th February 2022**

Cllrs Present: Cllr J.Whitwell (JW), Cllr R.Elsy(RE) Cllr M.Rigby (MR) Cllr A. Stradling (AS), Cllr G.Valentine(GV),Cllr T.Berry(TB),

Held in the Village Hall in person.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr L.Spivey (LS) Cllr M.Keegan (MK)
2. **Present:** K.Josey Clerk (KJ),
3. **Declaration of interest:** GV
4. **Minutes** of meeting held 10th January were approved. Proposed AS, seconded RE.
5. **Clerk’s report** 
   1. **Parish Field:** KJ awaiting Tom Kiddey SKWP (TK) with regards to the removal of the large wooden sign. Action: KJ to email TK for update.
   2. Village Lake: Mike Wilding had kindly prepared a report regarding the Village Lake. This has been shared with the Councillors. They agreed to payment of future tree works and a new bench. There was discussion regarding a hedge trimmer.
   3. **GCC Highways/ footpaths:**

**5.3.1 Village gateway signs:** Awaiting Highways to install new signage as per agreed designs. Action **-** LS is meeting R.Gray (Highways) and will update.

5.3.2.Footpath 18 is currently being discussed due to a possible diversion. The P.C will be updated in due course.

**5.4 Neigh Bridge:**

The relocation of the dog waste bin has not been actioned. TB confimed that the CDC meeting 7/1/22 to discuss dog bins had happened and it was agreed a review is underway. Action: TB to update.

1. **Other Matters**

6.1 Oberon Rogers has agreed to offer LME staff for the Water Lane Hedge re-laying work during a site visit on 27/1/22. KJ confirmed that it does not fall within the conservation area. KJ is awaiting a date from OR. Action- KJ to update on progress. Action: KJ to liase with R.Gray (Highways) regarding the hedge re-laying.

6.2 The cycleway/footpath which runs alongside the Spine Road was never completed. This was originally agreed to continue to Neigh Bridge. Action – Cllr Valentine to liase with OR

6.3 The Investigative works around flooding and drainage from Church Lane on Main street are to be carried out in by Highways. Action- KJ awaiting update from R.Gray/L.Spivey.

6.4 The village field lease with Waterland expires in September 2022 the PC are negotiating with J.Pendlebury (Waterland).

6.5 KJ confirmed that the car parkat Elm View is currently being cleared/renovated.

**7 Correspondence**

7.1 Councilor Roger Sleeman has resigned from his position of Parish Councilor after 42 years of service. He has been a mainstay of the P.C and his knowledge and contribution have been invaluable. The P.C would like to thank him for his years of dedicated service.

7.2 There is now a Parish Councilor vacancy – Action : KJ to inform CDC

7.3 The Queens Jubilee Celebrations were discussed. Possible ideas are planting a tree, a village beacon, and a joined-up village event with the Village Hall and Village Church, possibly at the Summer Fete. Action – KJ awaiting information from PCC.

7.4 It was noted with thanks that the Bakers Arms had offered support to villagers during the power cut these included phone charging, hot water, reduction in meal and drinks prices.

**8.Planning applications**

Application for New Premises License - Nicholas Hunt Meadow House Mill Lane Somerford Keynes Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 6DU under the Licensing Act 2003. Action: KJ has requested additional information.

Letter On Behalf of Sir Richard Needham Concerning the Approved Planning Application for The Erection of a New Dwelling, Associated Access and Landscaping at Croft House, Somerford Keynes Reference 21/02360/FUL. – new application submitted.

**LME**

**21/04710/FUL** - Variation of condition 2 (Plans) of permission 14/05035/FUL - Erection of seven detached holiday units, erection of ancillary buildings, provision of new landscaping, amended vehicular and pedestrian access, creation of ponds and wetland areas at General Lower Mill Estate Lower Mill Lane Somerford Keynes Gloucestershire GL7 6BG – no objection

**22/00083/FUL** - Full Application for Replacement windows and French Doors at Mill View 6 Mill Village Lower Mill Lane Somerford Keynes Cirencester – no objection

**22/00121/FUL -** Variation of conditions 2 (drawing number), 9 (External Lighting) and 14 (Landscping Scheme) re permission 21/02705/FUL - The erection of 17 detached holiday units within Minety Lake South West (also referred to as Barberry Lake); the erection of three detached holiday units within Lakeshore Reserve West; amendments to the water's edge of Minety Lake South West; ancillary buildings, provision for new landscaping and revised ecological areas, visitor parking and vehicular access at 56 Minety Lake Lower Mill Estate Somerford Keynes Cirencester Gloucestershire – no objection

**21/04814/FUL -** Full Application for Extension of timber decking at rear of the property (1.5m) at Goose Nest 33 Clearwater Village Lower Mill Lane Somerford Keynes Cirencester – no objection

Financial Matters

V/H defib Battery £310.80, V. Lake Bench £240.00

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

**Date of next meeting**: Monday 7th March 2022, 7.30 pm