**Minutes of the Meeting of Somerford Keynes Parish Council (SKPC) 4th April 2022**

Cllrs Present: Cllr R.Elsy(RE), Cllr M.Rigby (MR), Cllr G.Valentine (GV),Cllr T.Berry(TB),

Held in the Village Hall in person.

1. **Apologies:** - Cllr L Spivey (LS), Cllr J.Whitwell (JW), Cllr A.Stradling (AS), Cllr M.Keegan (MK),
2. **Present:** Clerk K.Josey (KJ) and one parishioner
3. **Declaration of interest:** GV
4. **Minutes** of meeting held 7th February were approved. Proposed R.E, Seconded, TB.
5. **Clerk’s report**

**5.1** KJ requested that Councillors needed to confirm that they were happy to continue with their committee roles/duties for another year this was agreed. Proposed RE Seconded MR

**5.1.1 Parish Field:** Cllr Rigby has contacted Tanners Solicitors and is awaiting a draft Lease document.

**5.1.2 Village Lake**: Mike Wilding reported that a volunteer morning had been successful, the next one will be in May. It was agreed that planting a Jubilee Tree at the lake would not be pursued.

* 1. **GCC Highways/ footpaths:**

**Village gateway signs:** The new signs are erected, and the PC are happy with the result. Thanks to Cllr A.Stradling (AS) for her work on this issue.

1. **Other Matters**

6.1 The re-laying of Water Lane Hedge had commenced.

6.2 The PC have received 3 applicants for the Parish Councillor vacancy. Action -KJ to confirm with non-present councilors how to proceed.

6.3 KJ has put in temporary road closure request for Water Lane (at the request of a parishioner) in view of a possible street party on Saturday 4th June for the Platinum Jubilee.

6.4 KJ reported that the Village Litter Pick had been well attended and the sun had shone on them all. Thanks to everyone who came along and helped.

**7 Correspondence**

7.1 Bakers Arms Tree Works/Building Works – KJ has spoken to the owners of Cotswold Fresh who confirmed that CDC Planning had been in contact regarding their breach of planning within a conservation area. KJ was informed that retrospective planning will be submitted, but this has not been received. Action – KJ to monitor.

**8.Planning applications**

22/00837/TCONR - Works to trees in conservation areas for Lawson's Cypress (T1-T5): Fell. Reasons: Trees have outgrown their location and are lifting the surface of the tennis court below. Reasons for not replanting: There is a Laurel hedge and a Beech hedge either side of the trees which will fill out following the removal of the trees at High Wall Somerford Keynes – no objection

20/04079/FUL - Erection of 4 dwellings, new road access, footpath, and associated

landscaping including public open space and an attenuation / soakaway pond (resubmission

of 19/04270/FUL) at Land To The South East Of Ashland House Somerford – This was discussed as no planning decision has been made yet – however there are possible new conditions regarding the Cricklade Water Meadows Conservation area up to 8km away which will include development on the Ashlands site.

22/00987/FUL - Variation of condition 16 (Visibility splays) re permission 21/02360/FUL

- Erection of a new dwelling, associated access and landscaping, to permit reduced

visibility splays at Croft House Somerford Keynes Cirencester – no objection

LME

22/00647/FUL - Full Application for Additional allotments and compost bays, relocation of poly tunnels, lean to greenhouse to cabin, overflow staff car parking and landscaping at Land North East Of Spinney Lake Lower Mill Lane Somerford Keynes Gloucestershire – KJ to submit condition request of Staff Parking only.

22/00949/FUL - Extend wood decking. Installation of stainless steel and glass

balustrade at 8 Spinney Lake Lower Mill Lane Somerford Keynes Cirencester – no objection.

Financial Matters

Printing £39.60, Litter Pick £31.18 Microsoft Subs £59.99, Clerk printing 4.49,

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Date of next meeting: Monday 9th May 2022 6.30pm, Annual Parish Council Meeting7.30 pm