## Clerk's Report to 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2018

**Stroud District Council – Revised Local Plan** – The Plan must be revised every five years. It's expected that following consultation, a draft plan will be put forward in autumn 2019 for submission in autumn 2020. It's then hoped an examination will take place in 2021, for adoption in winter 2021/22.

In the recent consultation the top five issues were identified as:

- The desire for housing in sustainable locations
- Maximising brownfield sites
- Conserving countryside and biodiversity
- Enabling strategies to avoid, reduce and mitigate impacts on the environment
- Tackling the acute need for affordable housing.

The next steps required before the next consultation in autumn 2018 are to:

- Commission studies to identify levels of growth required for 2016-36
- Review results of public consultation
- Assess strategy and site options
- Work on identifying preferred options.

**Stroud District Council – Council Tax** - The District portion of the Council Tax bill is set to increase by 2.99% for 2018/19 (12p a week at Band D). This is the maximum possible before triggering a referendum.

**Gloucestershire 2050** – A consultation called Gloucestershire 2050 has been launched. This invites everyone across the county to say what they want Gloucestershire to 'look and feel like' in the year 2050. Full details are at https://glos2050.com/

**A Heritage Strategy for Stroud District** - Following the publication of a consultation over summer 2017 a final proposed strategy was prepared. On 8<sup>th</sup> February this was adopted as Supplementary Planning Advice to support the Local Plan.

**Rooksmoor Mills** – Following the granting of planning permission, the developers have been invited to a public meeting to talk about their intentions for the project in terms of timescales and process. The meeting will take place in the Village Hall on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 7pm.

**Lengthsmen Scheme** – A list of areas in need of drain and gullying clearing has been sent to Paul Helbrow, Highways Manager for his approval. These areas are the High Street, Rooksmoor Hill, Bospin Lane and Frogmarsh Lane.

**Bike Trails** – Mid-January a group of volunteers cleared leaves from the Trails. Black8Bikes who kindly agreed to sponsor the bins on site have now closed their shop. However they have said the cost of the bins will be covered.

## Cheques signed/to be signed since the meeting of the 4th January, 2018

Date		Cheque		Authorising Power
	Payee	Number	Amount	
04.01.18	Village Hall Hire 2018	825	£91.00	LGA 1972 s.134(4)
04.01.18	Ann Bijkerk - Salary 1.11.17-2.1.18 – 9 weeks @ £104.70	826	£942.30	LGA 1972 s 112(2)
04.01.18	Clerk – Reimbursement for paper	826	£18.99	LGA 1972 s.111
04.01.18	Ian Smith - Maintenance 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter and repairs	827	£770.00	Highways Act 1980 s.96
04.01.18	Hire of Undercroft Room 2017	828	£30.00	LGA 1972 s.134(4)
04.01.18	LCPAS - Data Protection Training Documents	829	£30.00	LGA 1972 s.111
24.01.18	SLCC - Subscription Renewal 2018	830	£100.00	LGA 1972 s.143
24.01.18	Cllr. Hamilton - Chairman's Allowance	831	£70.00	LGA 1972 s 15(5)

## **Planning**

## **Applications submitted:**

- S.18/0089/HHOLD 2 Southfield Cottages, Bath Road Demolition of existing garage and construction of new garage and retaining wall to garden. Replacement of front porch to house and provision of side canopy porch.
- **S.18/0239/HHOLD** 4 Southfield Cottages, Bath Road The erection of an oakframed double car port with hip roof and feather-edge cladding on three sides.
- **S.18/0210/LBC** The Right Wing, The Lawn, Selsley Road Remedial works, internal alterations and minor external works.