

## Clerk's Report to 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2018

- **Gloucestershire Highways** - Reports have been made to Gloucestershire Highways to ask that the Cycle Path be cut back. The recent rain has caused the vegetation to fall, narrowing the path. The request also asked that the hedge along parts of the Cycle Path be cut back.  
The verge on the A46 was due to be cut back before the 27<sup>th</sup> May, however due to maintenance issues this is now expected to be done within the next two to three weeks.  
A meeting was held with Local Highways Manager Paul Helbrow and County Councillor Steve Robinson to discuss issues in Bospin Lane.  
The key outcomes of that meeting were:
  - Gloucestershire Highways will jet the drain at the bottom of Bospin Lane and will also jet a pipe further up the hill which passes under the entrance to a private drive.
  - Lengthsmen will clear the gulley further up Bospin Lane and will also clear gulleys in the High Street (to War Memorial), Frogmarsh Lane, northern end of Convent Lane and Rooksmoor Hill. If the lengthsmen are not able to do the work by hand, the Highways Manager will ensure the work is done mechanically.
  - Mr. Helbrow confirmed it is a landowner's responsibility to ensure run-off from his land does not flow directly onto a public highway. At the top of the hill, run-off from three tracks is feeding directly into Bospin Lane. The Parish Council will discuss contacting the landowner.
  - It was agreed that little else could be done on the hill itself to reduce run-off lower down.
  - The boundary of ownership at the bottom of Bospin Lane was unclear as the path leading to Tower House Drive is privately owned. There is part of a white line which may have marked the boundary, in which case the section very much in need of resurfacing is privately owned. Paul agreed to look into this and confirm ownership of that section.
  - Replacing the surface at the bottom of Bospin Lane with anti-slip material is very expensive. Mr. Helbrow felt there were greater priorities for spending on tight budgets, but agreed to keep it in mind when allocating funds.
  - The issue of parking on the corner of Convent Lane and St. Mary's Hill was discussed, which has become a problem now the weather has warmed up. Many cars are arriving at weekends to go swimming in the lakes. The Police would respond if a vehicle is obstructing traffic. The Parish Council have since agreed to arrange a meeting with a representative of the National Trust to discuss the issue.
- **Parish Council Insurance** – This has been renewed.
- **Stroud District Council Community Governance Review** – Stroud District Council are carrying out a review which will look at parish/town council boundaries, numbers or councillors, warding arrangements and names. An initial survey was completed which aimed to gather views of Parish Councils. The full review is expected to take 12 months.

## Cheques signed/to be signed since the meeting of the 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2018

<b>Date</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Cheque Number</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Authorising Power</b>
21.05.18	Community First – Insurance Renewal	842	£756.81	LGA 1972 s.111

## Planning

### Applications submitted:

- **S.18/1039/FUL** - Ram Inn, High Street, South Woodchester - Restaurant and kitchen extensions to the public house and erection of coffee shop/cafe (Use Class A3) with managers accommodation over and two dwellings
- **S.18/1056/HHOLD** – 1 The Cottages, Tower House Drive, South Woodchester – Proposed extension and replacement shed to property
- **S.18/1075/HHOLD** - Cornerways, Cow Lane - Retrospective application for a covered pergola to front of dwelling
- **S.18/1126/LBC** - Woodchester Park Boathouse, Nympsfield - Decoration and minor changes