



**Pilning & Severn Beach Parish Council**  
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	<p>number of cyclists allowed to cycle together on the road and no mention of numbers is given.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A letter was sent to British Rail regarding the drainage rhines alongside the tracks and only a receipt of letter has been received to date.</li> <li>• The InView article was submitted to the InView Magazine following the last Parish Council meeting. One error reported on the winners of the Allotment prizes were the wrong way around.</li> </ul> <p>KW reported that he had investigated the electrification of the railway since the last meeting and some will go overhead.</p>	VB
<b>2013-10-5 Correspondence</b>	<p>Further to Appendix A</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) FCAB proposed a £250 donation to the InView magazine, seconded by JF. Vote taken 7 for and 1 against, carried</li> <li>2) KW proposed a £250 donation to St Peter's Hospice, seconded by CW unanimously carried</li> <li>3) After discussion on increasing the donation to Marlwood School, FCAB proposed to keep the donation for Marlwood School at £30, seconded by JF unanimously carried</li> </ol>	VB VB VB
<b>2013-10-6 Accounts for Payment</b>	<p>Further to Appendix B, VB reported that although the accounts for payment September had been correct the addition of the final amount for Mr M J Fisher was incorrect and he had been paid £300 less than he was owed. This is corrected in this month's accounts for payment. Proposed by IanH, seconded by MP</p>	VB
<b>2013-10-7 Public Participation</b>	<p>No requests had been received</p>	
<b>2013-10-8 New Business</b>	<p><u>1. Local Major Developments</u> Westgate Development – IR thanked FCAB, IvorH, MP &amp; KW for attending the meeting regarding the Westgate Development. FCAB reported further to Appendix C, that despite explaining the history of the 1957 Agreement, the intention is to instruct a Planning Specialist to advise on ways to prevent the traffic accessing the site via the B4055. A meeting is scheduled for the 30<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at Hallen Village Hall with representatives of the legal department and planning department of S. Gloucester Council arranged by Robert Griffin. As many Parish Councillors as possible to attend. A further meeting has been suggested for the 12<sup>th</sup> of November 2013 with the Westgate Developers. IvorH advised that following the meeting on the 30<sup>th</sup> October 2013, questions should be prepared at the Parish Council meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2013 and then sent to the Westgate Developers before a meeting so that the questions can be answered at the meeting.</p> <p><u>2. Village Halls/Playing Fields</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Severn Beach Village Hall – JF reported on the finances of the Severn Beach Village Hall and the committee still wish to progress the application for the siting of a burger van in the car park.</li> <li>b) Pilning Village Hall – IR thanked FCAB, CW &amp; NC for attending the meeting to seek funding from S.Glos Severnvaile Area Forum to assist</li> </ol>	ALL  ALL

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	<p>with the planning application for the new development at Pilning Village Hall. IR was pleased to report that the Parish Council was successful with this application. VB to write a letter of thanks to the Forum.</p> <p>NC reported the comments heard at the Forum meeting which were not appropriate mentioning two members of the Forum by name. VB to write to the Standards Committee to report the incidents.</p> <p>IR reported a meeting between himself, Alan Coward and Julie Tyzack regarding the container at the Pilning Village Hall belonging to the Carnival committee. NC confirmed Julie Tyzack has contacted the Chair of the Carnival committee but no response received so far. IR confirmed he had contacted the Chair of the Flower Show committee regarding the contents and a key for the container.</p> <p><u>3.Allotments</u> – FCAB reported that an inspection of the site had taken place and it was noticed that the rhines have not been cut back. FCAB has contacted the Internal Drainage Board to check when the cutting will take place.</p> <p><u>4.Cemeteries</u> – It was agreed that this had been covered under matters arising (2013 10 4).</p> <p><u>5.Village Matters</u></p> <p>IR requested assistance in instructing a contractor to make and erect the rail on the steps next to the former amusement area in Severn Beach. FCAB &amp; MP offered to contact contractors.</p> <p>IR reported the increase in the number of cars for sale all over the parishes. In one area the grass cutters had cut around the car for sale. Robert Griffin responded requesting that residents contact him directly with photos.</p> <p>IR further reported the felling of a 100-year-old Oak tree located behind No. 60 Gorse Cover Road &amp; Beach Avenue. S.Gloucestershire Council have confirmed the tree did not have a tree preservation order. CW responded advising that the intention was not to fell but unfortunately a barbed wire fence was running through the main trunk and it was unsafe to leave in its current state as it would have died. JF further responded confirming the comments of CW.</p> <p>FCAB informed the meeting that Severnside Beat Team will be leaving shortly. The new arrangement will mean the Officer will cover a much greater area.</p> <p>FCAB questioned why the green bin charge was being imposed when S.Gloucestershire Council will gain from the sale of the compost. IvorH also advised that S.Gloucestershire Council had signed a 35 year contract with SITA.</p> <p>FCAB further questioned why there are no white lines all the way along Ableton Lane. Robert Griffin responded confirming it was not used as a diversion for Green Lane so therefore it was a test-run for no white lines.</p> <p>IvorH noted a comment in Robert Griffin’s report regarding the ASDA distribution centre. VB to write to ASDA and Co-op explaining the need to not use the A403 through our village.</p>	<p>VB</p> <p>VB</p> <p>IR</p> <p>FCAB/ MP</p> <p>RG</p> <p>VB</p>
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	<p>MP reported his constant contact via email with Planning Enforcement regarding the excessive height of the woodpile on the A403. MP urged all councillors to email regarding the height, noise and dust.</p> <p>KW brought the Tytherington Parish Council fight for super-fast broadband and the need for fibre optic listed within Appendix A to the attention of the meeting.</p> <p>NC reported three Merlin vans blocking the pavement on Redwick Road while refurbishment is carried out. IvorH responded advising he had been told to not interfere when he approached the drivers.</p> <p>NC asked if as many Councillors as possible could join the petition regarding the irregularity and unreliability of the buses in the parish.</p> <p>NC questioned the process for listing the Victorian post box at New Passage opposite Caroline Cottage. Robert Griffin offered to assist with this application.</p> <p>IanH reported the over-grown footpaths between Western Approaches and Farm Lane. MP to inspect and report to S.Gloucestershire Council.</p> <p>VB reported on behalf of Tony Lewis who was unable to attend due to work commitments as follows –</p> <p>Following the successful enforcement of the additional area at the Bank Road site, it is necessary to make sure this enforcement is carried out.</p> <p>A house off the A403, possibly Whitehouse Lane, has been reported to be using holiday lets for more permanent accommodation for the local workforce. CW advised S.Gloucestershire Council should be contacted.</p> <p><u>6.Reports</u></p> <p>Further to the report from Robert Griffin – see Appendix D, he asked the Parish Council to keep a watchful eye on the developments at Mayburn Villa. NC responded advising the meeting that S.Gloucestershire Council had written recently to the Parish Council regarding Mayburn Villa.</p> <p>Robert Griffin urged the Parish Councillors to attend the meeting on the 30<sup>th</sup> October 2013 regarding the Westgate Development. Full details of timings will follow. IvorH asked Robert Griffin if he has be ‘silenced’ regarding the Westgate Development to which Robert Griffin responded ‘yes’.</p>	<p>ALL/ VB</p> <p>KW/ VB</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>RG/ VB</p> <p>MP</p> <p>ALL</p>
<p><b>2013-10-9</b> <b>Planning</b></p>	<p>IR informed the meeting that the proposed footpath between the Pilning Village Hall playing field and Bank Road had been unsuccessful this time but it is possible to apply again in one year’s time. In the meantime, IR to visit the householder who lives near the gate to discuss a way forward regarding our access to the playing field through the gate.</p> <p><u>Decisions by S Glos. Council</u></p> <p>PT13/2474/F Severn Beach Scouts, 18 Redwick Road, Pilning – Approve with conditions</p> <p>PT13/2905/F 2 School Way, Severn Beach – Approve with conditions</p> <p><u>Withdrawn Application</u></p> <p>PT13/3290/NMA 60 Beach Avenue, Severn Beach – Non material</p>	<p>IR</p>

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	amendment to PT07/2656/F	
<b>Date of Next Meeting</b>	The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2013 at Pilning Village Hall, Pilning THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED @ 8.30 PM.	VB

### APPENDIX A – CORRESPONDENCE

Date Received	Received by	Details	ACTION
03.09.13	Post	Hinkley Point C documents	Passed to NC
03.09.13	Email	Agenda 8 Oct Annual Parish Charter Review	Circulated
03.09.13	Email	Healthwatch Sept E-bulletin	Circulated
03.09.13	Email	Agenda for development control (West) committee Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2013, 2.30pm at Thornbury	Circulated
03.09.13	Email	Autumn Joint Unitary Authority event	Circulated
04.09.13	Email	From Robert Griffin regarding the Westgate Development	Circulated
05.09.13	Email	Correspondence regarding hate crime & prejudice review panel	Circulated
05.09.13	Email	Hinkley Point C Connection project briefings Tuesday 10 Sept 7-9pm (Yatton), Wednesday 11 Sept 7-9pm (Winscombe) Thursday 12 Sept 7-9pm (Woolavington)	Circulated
06.09.13	Post	Notice of Annual General Meeting Fri Oct 18 <sup>th</sup> 2013 at 2pm, Leics	Passed to NC
06.09.13	Post	Clerks & Councils Direct – Sept 2013	Passed to NC
06.09.13	Post	The Clerk Magazine – Sept 2013	Passed to NC
06.09.13	Email	Safer & Stronger Community Partnership consultation	Circulated
06.09.13	Email	FOSBR invitation to a celebration on 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2013 8-9.30pm Clifton Down station	Circulated
06.09.13	Email	Bristol Central Area plan – preferred options consultation	Circulated
06.09.13	Email	S.Glos Press Release – Still time to share views on ‘street scene’ proposals	Circulated
06.09.13	Email	A Forgotten Landscape – Issue 1, Autumn 2013	Circulated
07.07.13	Post	Request for a donation from InView magazine	VB to take to meeting
08.09.13	Post	LCR Autumn 2013	Passed to NC
09.09.13	Email	Reminder about S.Glos Policies Sites & Places Plan questionnaire	Circulated
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10.09.13	Email	Agenda for Audit & Accounts Committee on 18.09.13 10am, Kingswood	Circulated
10.09.13	Email	S.Glos Parish Matters – Annual meeting of Town & Parish Council Forum on Tues 8 Oct 2013 at 7pm at Bradley Stoke	Circulated
10.09.13	Email	S.Glos Press Release – More opportunities to recycle	Circulated
10.09.13	Email	Event reminder 1) Briefing on homelessness & home choice in S.Glos 23.09.13, Kingswood 2pm 2) Seminar on Community Energy ownership models & wind farms – 25.09.13 at 9.30am at Tumberries Community Centre, Thornbury 3) Community Leadership – 26.09.13 at 9.30am, Thornbury Council offices 4) National Grid’s Proposed Presentation – 27.09.13 at 2pm	Circulated
11.09.13	Email	Agenda for Public Transportation Forum 23.09.13 at 7pm, Thornbury	Circulated
11.09.13	Email	Invitation to 2013 Severn Estuary Forum	Circulated
11.09.13	Email	S.Glos Press Release – Cllrs approve Stoke Gifford transport link	Circulated
11.09.13	Email	Agenda for Severnside Environmental Link Group 10am 08.10.13, Thornbury	Circulated
12.09.13	Email	Launch of public consultation on the site selection process for a Geological Disposal Facility for higher activity radioactive waste.	Circulated
13.09.13	Email	Invitation to Environment Forum 02.10.13 7pm Bradley Stoke	Circulated
13.09.13	Email	S.Glos Parish Matters – consultation on the Safer & Stronger Communities Partnership Strategy 2013 to 2017	Circulated
14.09.13	Email	Response from Chris Speller of Bristol Energy Cooperative to our comments made on the wind turbine development at Ingst.	VB to invite to PC meeting
16.09.13	Email	Winterbourne Barn Orchard Harvest Day	Circulated
17.09.13	Email	Agenda for Children & Young People Committee, Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2013, 2pm	Circulated
17.09.13	Email	S.Glos Heritage Forum update	Circulated
19.09.13	Email	Correspondence regarding the Severn Beach Post Office	Circulated
19.09.13	Email	S.Glos Press Release – Buggy Walks extended across S.Glos	Circulated
19.09.13	Email	S.Glos Press Release – S.Glos Council continue to pursue fly tippers	Circulated
19.09.13	Email	Agenda for Planning, Transport & Strategic Environment Major Schemes Sub Committee, Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2013 at 10am, Kingswood	Circulated
19.09.13	Email	Serving a Diverse Community – Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 5.30pm – 8.30pm at Badminton Road & Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 9.30am -12.30pm at Kingswood	Circulated
20.09.13	Email	Response from LSIDB regarding correspondence with Mr J Mason	Circulated
20.09.13	Email	S.Glos Parish Matters – Network Disability Equality AGM & Open Meeting 2013 on Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2013	Circulated

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20.09.13	Email	S.Glos Council Green Infrastructure and Supplementary Planning Document – paper setting out the issues and options relating to the proposal	Circulated
20.09.13	Email	Agenda for Policy & Resources Committee, Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2013 at 12pm, Kingswood	Circulated
20.09.13	Email	Response from Network Rail regarding the letter sent to them re. the rhines	Circulated
20.09.13	Letter	Letter of thanks from the Over 50's Forum	Passed to NC
21.09.13	Post	CPRE Annual Report & Notice of Branch AGM on 5 <sup>th</sup> October 2013	Passed to NC
23.09.13	Email	S.Glos Press Release regarding super-fast broadband	Circulated
24.09.13	Email	West of England Rural Network Autumn Newsletter	Circulated
27.09.13	Email	Reminder about the Environment Forum Meeting – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct 2013 at 7.30pm, Bradley Stoke	Circulated
27.09.13	Email	Donation request from St Peter's Hospice	Decision at meeting
01.10.13	Post	Marlwood School request for funding for a prize	Decision at meeting
02.10.13	Email	Full application for donation request from St Peter's Hospice	Decision at meeting
02.10.13	Email	Healthwatch – Oct 2013 E Bulletin	Circulated
02.10.13	Email	Agenda for Development Control (West) Sites Inspection Sub Committee Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2013 at 9.30am at Thornbury	Circulated
02.10.13	Email	S.Glos Press Release – Sustainable transport improvements across S.Glos	Circulated
02.10.13	Email	Suggested date to meet Westgate Development representatives – 12 Nov 2013	Circulated
03.10.13	Email	S.Glos Press Release – Nominate for the 2013 Sports Awards	Circulated
03.10.13	Email	S.Glos Press Release – Industrial action Saturday 5 October	Circulated
03.10.13	Email	S.Glos Council Grants & Funding – Revenue Grant 2013	Circulated
03.10.13	Email	Invitation to join Tytherington Parish Council to campaign for fast broadband	Circulated
04.10.13	Email	Invitation to consult on the proposed draft Waste Management Supplementary planning document	Circulated
07.10.13	Email	AGM for ALCA on Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2013 at the Guildhall, Bath – 11am	Circulated
07.10.13	Email	Further clarification required by the church regarding the ivy growing on the path	Circulated
07.10.13	Email	S.Glos Museums Group & Heritage Forum – revenue grants application process	Circulated
07.10.13	Email	Update on activities of S.Glos Citizens Advice Bureau	Circulated
07.10.13	Email	Extension of time for completing the S.Glos Council Policies Sites & Places Plan questionnaire booklet – deadline now 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2013	Circulated
07.10.13	Email	Invitation to the S.Glos Chair's Annual Charity Dinner on Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2013	Circulated

### APPENDIX B – ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Date	Payee	Details	Net	Reclaimable VAT	Total
07.10.13	Mrs V Bywater	Wages + office payment & fuel allowance	655.20	0.00	655.20
07.10.13	HMRC	NI & PAYE	255.63	0.00	255.63
07.10.13	Mr N Pearce	Odd jobs - Sept 2013	182.21	0.00	182.21
07.10.13	Mr M J Fisher	Grass cutting	750.00	0.00	750.00
07.10.13	Care for the Elderly	Quaterly payment	250.00	0.00	250.00
07.10.13	Mr Collins	Toilet Key Holder	60.00	0.00	60.00
07.10.13	BT	Telephone bill to be taken by DD	49.37	9.87	59.24
07.10.13	BWBSL	Bank Road allotments trough	81.68	0.00	81.68
07.10.13	KN Office Supplies	Printer Cartridges & Toner for photocopy machine	154.27	30.85	185.12
07.10.13	Mr M J Fisher	Grass cutting cemeteries x 4 + weed killing	670.00	0.00	670.00
07.10.13	Mr M J Fisher	Beach Avenue x3 + allotments	160.00	0.00	160.00
07.10.13	Mr M J Fisher	Grass cutting	300.00	0.00	300.00
07.10.13	Mr I Roberts	General expences	34.80	0.00	34.80
07.10.13	S.Glos Council	Hire of school for Oct meeting	35.00	0.00	35.00
07.10.13	InView Magazine	Donation	250.00	0.00	250.00
07.10.13	St Peter's Hospice	Donation	250.00	0.00	250.00
07.10.13	Marlwood School	Donation	30.00	0.00	30.00
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,168.16</b>	<b>40.72</b>	<b>4,208.88</b>

### APPENDIX C

Meeting conclusions from the joint meeting with Almondsbury Parish Council on Thursday 19th September 2013 at Easter Compton Village Hall to discuss the Westgate Development.

The meeting was attended by 3 councillors from Almondsbury (Cliff Hilliker, Sheila Fulton and Phil Hall and 4 from Pilning & Severn Beach (Ivor Humphries, Kevin Weeks, Frances Barr MBE and Mike Pruet) and chaired by the Chairman of Almondsbury Parish Council, Cliff Hilliker. Official minutes were taken by the clerk of Almondsbury Parish Council.

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Having opened the meeting and explained the objectives, the chairman welcomed questions from the floor for 45 minutes.

The general points of objection of the Westgate Development were on issues of traffic, pollution, flooding and access.

Although the meeting were at all times made aware of the fact that the development was legal due to the 1957 agreement, the following actions were agreed to take back to the full Parish Council's for discussion at their next respective meetings;

- The need to hire a planning specialist to advise on strategies for objection. Would either or both Parish Council's help to fund this expert?
- Parish Council's and the already formed action group to come together to work as a working group with representatives on the working group from both Parish Council's and the action group.
- Jointly put pressure on S.Glos Council to look at highways/ planning/ pollution (noise, light, smell)/ flooding.
- Lobby our District Councillors and our MP.
- Liaise with the Westgate Developers.
- Fight for the additional junction on the M49 to ease pressure.

#### **APPENDIX D**

Dear Ward Members,

**Pilning Village Hall Development** – After a good presentation by our Parish Council team on the 11th September at the Severnvalle Area Forum in Thornbury, I was happy to propose the grant for this plan, which was carried. I will always do so for any other local project provided the Annual Accounts are presented in advance and a person attends to answer any questions.

**Free Green Bin Collection** – This option is due to cease on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2014. This will be replaced by a £36 annual charge or £2 each for 'Pay as you go sacks' or my option to take it to the local 'Sort-It' centre when required. The none paying Green SITA bins may be collected back. Black Bins with garden waste in them will not be emptied. I am not happy about this change but it was a Council Committee majority decision.

**M4/M5 Interchange changes** – From 26<sup>th</sup> September 4 lane operations are now possible. Please watch the overhead signs. The Speed Checking cameras with be installed shortly.

**Marsh Common Pavement** – The phase 3 of the St. Peter's School Travel Plan is now nearing completion with many thanks to the South Glos. Highways Department. This completes a pavement from Severn Beach to the bottom of Blackhorse hill.

**Lost Telephone Box at New Passage** – This telephone box opposite the redundant Chapel is being cleared of brambles and cleaned by BT so it can be used. Many thanks to Jacqui Ward of South Glos. Safer & Stronger for her help.

**The Field next to St. Peter's School, Pilning** – There was a local rumour that the owner wanted to give this field to our community. I have spoken with the owner Mr Mark Babbage and this is not the case. He wants to develop the site for low-cost Social Housing but it is in Green Belt and needs Planning Permission.

**Age UK** – A Benefits Advisor visited Pilning Surgery on the 20th September to help local residents with Health related Benefits of Attendance Allowance, Disabled Living Allowance and Care's Allowance. These may trigger Pensions Credit, Council Tax Benefit and Housing Benefit. If you missed this session, you can still contact Age UK at Thornbury on Tel: 01454 411707

**Police Changes** – On the 1st October, our Beat will be transferred from Filton to a Thornbury Police Station. Unfortunately, we shall be losing Jamie Shiels and Christopher Baker to Bradley Stoke in the process.

**Pavement Parking** – It is with some disappointment that I noticed vehicles parking on two stretches of newly laid pavement. The pavement is for the benefit of pedestrians and the foundations are designed for that lighter loading. These pavements had to be re-laid at considerable expense to South Glos. because vehicles had broken the surface making them un safe for foot passengers to use. .

**Vandalism** – While clearing the foreshore this month we noticed green branches that were used to try to start a fire.

They were not trained members of our uniformed organisations. On looking at the trees opposite Beach Road, these seem to be the source of the branches.

**Puncture** – A gentleman punctured his tyre in the vicinity of the phase 3 pavement improvements on Marsh Common Road, Pilning. He had driven off the road and into a hole. I had a traffic cone marking the spot for future road users.

**Horses on our Foreshore** – These cannot be dealt with by Horseworld anymore as due to our continual referrals they have run short of funds.

**Gumhurn Lane** – The verges has not cut this year. Passed to Streetcare.

**Benefit Fraud** – The maximum penalty for this crime has been increased to 10 years.

**Major Bank Account Transfers** – These can now be carried out in 7 working days.

**Driving Age** – There are now 4 million drivers over 70 years of age and 191 over 100. The eldest is 107.

**ASDA Distribution Centre** – There is now a similar sized building to Tesco at Marsh Common on the A403 in Avonmouth. I hope these HGV's do not use the A403 to Aust.

**Severn Beach Line** – My friend Chris Smith has set up a Lack of Fair Collection Petition. – it is on-line– I encourage you to sign this petition if you are involved. There is an initial target of 100 petitioners, many more would be tremendous.

<http://www.change.org/en-GB/petitions/first-great-western-trains-provide-more-ticket-collectors-on-trains-on-the-severn-beach-line-2>

**Wessex Bus Service** – If the above petition is supported successfully, we could try it on our 624-bus service, which occasionally cancels buses leaving workers and college students stranded in our village.