



# **Pilning & Severn Beach Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022. Pilning Village Hall 7pm**

**COUNCILLORS:** Peter Tyzack (PT) (Chairman); Kevin Weeks (KW); Olga Taylor (CW) Mike Pruet (MP); Nick Davies (ND) and Jenn Godsell (JG)

Jonathan Edwardes (Clerk JE) and 3 members of the public.

## **1 Apologies for absence**

Carol Woodhouse (CW); Heather Rickards (HR) and Sue Binns (SCB)  
District Cllr Robert Griffin (RG)

Absent Ian Roberts (ISR)

## **2 Declarations of Interest**

To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members' Register of Interests.  
None

## **3 Minutes of the previous Parish Council Meeting**

The minutes of the previous Parish Council Meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> September were unanimously approved as a true record.

## **4 Matters arising**

Christmas tree supports – buried services survey commissioned from South Gloucestershire Council, waiting the results.

**Resolved for the Clerk to continue this item**

**Action JE**

ORN18 Rail crossing – The footpath is not yet open; PT & HR visited the site with South Glos officer. BAM Nuttal have done what was on their agreed design. Clerk had a poor response from DEFRA.

**Resolved for the matter to be progressed by the South Gloucestershire Council officer.  
Comments to go to them.**

**Action ALL**

If required a Parish Councillor could go and speak at a SGC Rights of Way committee.

**Resolved to make representations to SGC if required**

**Action ALL**

Cllr Nick Davies joined the meeting

Additional In View magazines – Motion Print confirmed that there was a discussion but no extra copies were printed and no further fees were paid.

Grorse Cover Road benches – South Gloucestershire Council contacted with the new proposals of two benches. Clerk is awaiting a reply.

**Resolved for the Clerk to continue this item**

**Action JE**

Electric Vehicle Charging Points – The Clerk contacted South Gloucestershire Council regarding the Parish Council having EV charging points in the parish, awaiting a response.

Motorway Traffic Strategy – Work in progress.

**Resolved for the Clerk to continue this item**

**Action JE**

Active Travel and the state of pavements and cycleways – RG to report back, no response yet.

**Resolved for District Councillor to investigate**

**Action RG**

Redwick Road speed limit – Email from South Gloucestershire Council confirming that the request has been received. Due to severe staffing issues, no date has been set for consideration of this application.

**Resolved for the Clerk to look at other schemes that require a formal application**

**Action JE**

The Clerk has liaised with BAM Nuttal re their vehicle speeding issues.

A resident has canvassed their neighbours with the following results

- 23 in favour of traffic calming ramps
- 5 not in favour of traffic calming ramps

However, all 28 houses contacted are keen to have some sort of speed limit / traffic calming.

A resident spoke at the meeting to share his disappointment that the speed cushions have had little or no effect whatsoever. Shift change times are a particular problem.

**Resolved for the Clerk to contact the PCSO and organise a speed watch camera**

**Action JE**

Rewilding SGC land – work in progress.

**Resolved for the Clerk to continue this item**

**Action JE**

Beach Clean - Hargreaves Lansdown staff were pleased to get the letter of thanks and will be looking to organise another beach clean, date to be advised.

Document retention policy – this is now published on the Parish Council website.

Telephone and broadband – new tariffs will be in force from November saving around £100 per month. New mobile SIM card obtained, a suitable phone to be sourced.

From previous minutes

Resurfacing of Redwick Road and Wainbridge Crescent – Response from Mark King, Redwick Road is being prioritised for a future resurfacing scheme. No timescale yet. Wainbridge Crescent has had some kerbing issues that needed attention, this work is expected to take place in October 2022.

Environment Agency invite – response received, awaiting confirmation that an Environment Agency person will attend a future meeting.

Marsh Common Road signage – Several safety critical road signs are being obscured by hedge on Marsh Common Road. Confirmation from SGC that the hedge will be cut 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> October.

## **5 Correspondence**

Please see Appendix A

Correspondence regarding the piling at the former Avlon site.

**Resolved for the Clerk to find out how long this work will take**

**Action JE**

South Gloucestershire Council have been contacted by the Clerk, now work has started, to honour their obligations regarding s106 monies for the Parish.

## **6 Accounts for Payment**

Please see Appendix B

**Accounts were approved unanimously**

**Action JE**

## **7a Public Participation**

M49 J1 – A resident asked for an update regarding what is happening with this work. Estimates vary on when the junction will be completed, the earliest being Summer 2024. Concern was expressed that J1 to J17 at Cribbs Causeway along the B4055 will become a “rat run”. South Gloucestershire Council have done a recent traffic count. This data will be used to highlight any differences in traffic flows once J1 is open.

**Resolved for the Clerk to share the traffic data with Councillors again**

**Action JE**

Speeding in the Parish – Concern was raised by a resident about the speed of road traffic, particularly on Cross Hands Road.

**Resolved for the Clerk to contact A&S Police to get the speed enforcement van to make regular visits again.**

**Action JE**

Bank Road land clearance – A resident wanted an update on what is happening with the land clearance on Bank Road. South Gloucestershire Council are treating the issue as an “Envriocrime” but have few powers to exercise until a planning application is submitted. The gate added to the site at its eastern end was reported to South Gloucestershire Council as it is in contravention of planning to make a new access onto a highway without consent.

**Resolved for the Clerk to contact Cllr Griffin for an update**

**Action JE**

Cross Hands Enforcement Issue – see the response at 15.2 in these minutes.

**Resolved for the Clerk to contact South Gloucestershire Council Enforcement for an update**

**Action JE**

Issue with a high hedge – A resident has an issue with the footpath from Church Lane motorway bridge becoming impassable and wanted to know how to get it cut back. Advised that South Gloucestershire Council website “Report it” has an online form and map for this issue.

Meadow View site – A resident raised that there appear to be too many caravans on the Meadow View site in contravention of the planning conditions.

**Resolved to find out what the consent is and report to South Gloucestershire Council Enforcement and copied to the Traveller Officer.**

**Action JE**

## **7b Report from District Councillor**

See appendix C

## **8 AGENDA ITEMS**

### **.1 To decide on a response to the WECA Placemaking Charter**

Circulated previously, Chairman proposed that the Parish Council formally agree to supporting the Charter.

**Resolved to write to WECA to give support to the Charter**

**Action JE**

### **.2 To decide on a response to SGC planning regarding truck stop facilities**

There is a desperate need for a proper truck stop but the site being considered is in the wrong place. A truck stop must be provided near to the M49 J1, note the placing of food outlets, fuel station and the Travelodge hotel to the junction were part of the expected package of amenities.

### **.3 To decide on a course of action regarding land clearance at Prospect Road (Abbott Road)**

27/09/2022 Site clearance underway with many concerned residents contacting the Chairman and Clerk.

30/09/2022 concrete block installed on highways land at the end of Abbott Road with permission from South Gloucestershire Council.

03/10/2022 Site has apparently been bought by Stonewood Homes (Severn Beach) Ltd and they are intending to submit a planning application for 100 houses on the site. This company have been to secure the field with wooden fencing across the entrance.

PT to circulate the list of flora that are deemed to be important on the site.

**Action PT**

## **9. The Neighbourhood Plan**

9.1 Report from RE - See appendix D

## **10 Severn Beach Centenary / Jubilee**

10.1 An appeal has been put out to find a builder who would undertake making the plinth for the display. Subgroup to continue their work on this.

**Action Pebble Subgroup**

## **11 Updates**

### **11.1 Village Halls**

#### **11.1.1 Severn Beach Village Hall**

Minutes circulated previously.

#### **11.1.2 Pilning Village Hall**

The Parish Council are pleased to see good progress on improving the hall being made. The Village Hall Committee are getting a plan of action together to tackle the other repairs.

#### **11.1.4 Pilning Playing Field**

See appendix E

Report from a concern parishioner regarding the teen hut. On Saturday (01/10/2022) four teenagers two boys and two girls were trying to smash up the hut by throwing big logs (which are currently still by the hut) big rocks and physically kicking it trying to break the plastic at the back. They were also attempting to break the basketball hoops. Also, on Monday (26/09/2022) we witnessed another group of teenagers starting a fire in the hut. Smashed bottles and glass were retrieved before younger children hurt themselves. Unfortunately, it seems to be different groups destroying the hut on a frequent basis.

PCSO is aware and interested in speaking with the persons involved.

#### **11.2.1 Severn Beach Allotments**

No more reported thefts from the plots. Most of the allotments are looking good with plenty of work with the winter veg or preparing for next year.

A few exceptions that do not appear to have been worked recently.

Plot 22, Plot 25, Plot 34 and Plot 38

#### **11.2.2 Pilning Allotments**

See appendix E

### **11.3.1 Pilning Cemetery**

All looking tidy, nothing further to report

### **11.3.2 Northwick Cemetery**

See appendix E

Work on going to get the stonework and tree stump sorted on a particular grave. Regret that the stonemason has let the Parish Council down. New stonemason to be contacted.

**Action JE & OM**

Dead elm trees will be removed soon.

### **11.3.3 Northwick Tower update**

Nothing to report for this meeting

### **11.4.1 Pilning Station**

The Clerk contacted the letting company (Arch Co Ltd) and a site meeting took place between them and GWR / NR representatives. As a result, the horsebox will be moved into the compound. Evidence of tipping asbestos was noted amongst other things, broken height barrier referred to GWR and NR. Safety concerns were noted that the car park surface is in such a poor state. Passenger had complained to GWR that the chickens on site are a nuisance. Very poor train service currently due to the number of strikes taking place.

### **11.4.2 Severn Beach Station**

When trains have been running the units appear to have been successfully shut down on arrival and only restarted shortly before departure.

Community notice board, MP is keen to get some new information on the board and needs contact details for a key.

**Action MP**

## **12 Communication**

### **12.1 In View**

- Christmas tree supports, South Gloucestershire Council underground utilities.
- Redwick Road speed limit application to South Gloucestershire Council.
- WECA bus strategy response.
- Pebble display.
- Report it numbers

## **13 Reports from external meetings**

OT & PT attended the online WECA bus survey meeting.

## **14 Update from Councillors on "Report it" reference numbers.**

SGC-110550-K6W5 – Potholes on A403. This job has been completed on the 23/09/2022. (87 days to complete)

SGC-93699-W9P4 - 6 loose kerbstones at Pilning Shop. Work completed 30/09/2022. (150 days to complete)

## **15 Planning**

### **.1 To report planning decisions**

P22/04110/HH 40 Riverside Park Severn Beach South Gloucestershire BS35 4PN. Erection of single storey rear extension to provide additional living accommodation (Resubmission of P21/08106/F) Approve with Conditions.

P22/02162/F Pilning Forge Whitehouse Lane Pilning South Gloucestershire BS35 4LR Demolition of existing buildings. Erection of 5 no. commercial/industrial units (Class B2/B8/E(g)iii) with parking and associated works at Pilning Forge. Erection of two storey side extension to Meadow View house to form attached garage. Approve with Conditions.

**.2 Update on ongoing planning matters inc. enforcements and applications.**

Cross Hands Enforcement – South Gloucestershire Council will begin drafting prosecution papers shortly. They are in correspondence with the owners of the site to ensure they achieve compliance with the notice issued. Should this not be achieved they will commence the prosecution proceedings.

Temporary buildings under the Prince of Wales bridge – waiting a response from Cllr Griffin. This issue has also been raised with MP Jack Lopresti.

So called "Plot 9000" – this is going to appeal, the Clerk has submitted papers to the appeal inspector for the hearing and PT and the Clerk are expecting to go to the meeting.

Plot 3 – discussion ongoing regarding this application and requesting that the developer does the right thing by building the warehouse to recently updated environmental standards. Also concerns regarding the lack of truck stop facilities, solar panels and land raising. Expecting a response from the developer soon. This development could be referred to the South Gloucestershire Circulated list.

**.3 To decide on professional legal advice – ref Orchard Pools.**

PT has spoken to ELF (Environmental Law Foundation) and it appears that South Gloucestershire Council are taking the issue more seriously, with a review of the 1957 consent and to put it to counsel to advise them.

**16 Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at St Peter's Church Pilning for cemetery matters. There being no other business the meeting was closed at 20:30

**Pilning & Severn Beach Parish Council – Full Council meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022**  
Minutes approved as a true and accurate record, and signed as so by the Chairman presiding

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

APPROVED

## APPENDIX A – CORRESPONDENCE

<b>Date</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Detail</b>	<b>Action</b>
30/08/2022	Email	Building back community in Severn Beach	Invite to future meeting
30/08/2022	Email	Parish Boundary/ footpath ORN18	Meeting with PT & HR
30/08/2022	Email	South Gloucestershire Area Group meeting notice	Circulated
30/08/2022	Email	e-introduction youth work provision	Circulated
30/08/2022	Email	The Severn Estuary Forum 2022 - Wednesday 12th October	Circulated
30/08/2022	Email	Severn Beach Station Volunteers	Noted
30/08/2022	Email	Fuel Poverty & Energy Awareness Training/Talks	Circulated
31/08/2022	Email	Avonmouth Plot 3 (ref. P22/02510/RM & P22/02500/F) - Parish Council Consultation	JE replied
31/08/2022	Email	COM/21/0302/UNT Cross Hands Pilning	JE replied
31/08/2022	Email	ASEA Ecology Mitigation and Flood Defence Project Community Forum	PT attended
31/08/2022	Email	GWR launches new Pay-As-You-Go smartcard	Noted
01/09/2022	Email	Invitation to ASEA Quarterly Community Forum	JE replied
01/09/2022	Email	Response to Tim Rainbird [Plot 3]	JE replied
02/09/2022	Email	HAPPY HARVEST CELEBRATION - Saturday 17 Sept	Circulated
04/09/2022	Email	Issues at Pilning Playing Field	Action JE
05/09/2022	Email	Lock on Severn Beach Toilets	JE replied
05/09/2022	Email	PROJECTS- Access to Severn Tunnel [Incident: 220818-000522]	Meeting with PT & JE
05/09/2022	Email	New contact for Green Belt Extension	Forwarded to PT
05/09/2022	Email	Basketball frames at SVB	JE replied
05/09/2022	Email	Severn Beach Village Hall Minutes	Circulated
06/09/2022	Email	Energy Saving Advice Session for Community Centres and Town and Parish Councils	Sent to Village Halls
06/09/2022	Email	Bristol Local Plan Review - September 2022 Update	Circulated
06/09/2022	Email	Redwick Road speed limit (Case Ref: JL17755)	JE replied
06/09/2022	Email	Agenda item request Cross Hands	JE replied
06/09/2022	Email	Community Learning - Severn Beach courses - Sept/ Oct 2022	Posted
06/09/2022	Email	Information re Mountfield Site	JE replied
06/09/2022	Email	SUEZ Noise Pollution	MP replied
07/09/2022	Email	ASEA meeting	Circulated
07/09/2022	Email	PRoW across Severn Beach line at Chittinging	Noted



07/09/2022	Email	SevernNet September Newsletter Portbury/Avonmouth/Severnside	Circulated
08/09/2022	Email	Redwick Road and Wainbridge Crescent potholes	Matters arising
08/09/2022	Email	Energy Saving Advice Session for Community Centres and Town and Parish Councils	Circulated
08/09/2022	Email	WERN'S AGM - Save the Date	Circulated
08/09/2022	Email	Severn Bridges Traffic Status	Website
08/09/2022	Email	Operation London Bridge	Circulated
09/09/2022	Email	Concern over the condition of bollards at Station Road Severn Beach	Action JE
09/09/2022	Email	HM Queen Elizabeth II	Noted
10/09/2022	Email	Memorial service for HM Queen Sunday 18th	JE replied
12/09/2022	Email	Post holes for Christmas Trees	Matters arising
12/09/2022	Email	ALCA AGM 2022 papers	Circulated
13/09/2022	Email	Additional copies of In View	Matters arising
13/09/2022	Email	Thank you for Severn Beach beach clean	JE replied
13/09/2022	Email	Cancelled: Severnside CEF meeting Thursday 15 September 2022	Circulated
13/09/2022	Email	Extension to nominations for election of SLCC Board of Directors	Noted
14/09/2022	Email	New Streetscene Team	Circulated
14/09/2022	Email	National Silence for Reflection - Sunday 18 September at 8.00pm	Noted
14/09/2022	Email	Confirmation of Representation(s) for APP/P0119/W/22/3302609 (Plot 9000)	Noted
14/09/2022	Email	WECA Mayor Parish Councillors Bus meeting	Circulated
15/09/2022	Email	Consultations during the mourning period - Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy	Noted
15/09/2022	Email	Hedgehog query	JE replied
16/09/2022	Email	Confirmation of your Road marking report: SGC-124785-X8N8. Marsh Common Road signage in hedge	Matters arising
21/09/2022	Post	Acknowledgement from DEFRA regarding issue of rail / foot crossing	Noted
21/09/2022	Email	Community Conversations - survey	Circulated
22/09/2022	Email	Land at Bank Road Pilning Envirocrime	Noted
22/09/2022	Email	Complaint regarding pile driving at Avlon site	JE replied
22/09/2022	Email	Pilning village hall invoice	JE replied
22/09/2022	Email	The Severn Estuary Forum 2022 - Wednesday 12th October	Circulated
23/09/2022	Email	CiLCA Qualification Application Confirmation	Noted
23/09/2022	Email	Compliant re damage caused by flailing on A403 to houses in Chessell Avenue	Noted
23/09/2022	Email	Site visit to Severn Tunnel access point	JE replied
23/09/2022	Email	WECA bus meeting report	Circulated
23/09/2022	Email	October rail strike dates announced	Noted
24/09/2022	Email	ALCA event registration confirmation: Essential Councillor training	JE replied

24/09/2022	Email	Driver facilities	Noted
24/09/2022	Email	Reminder Dave Perry Partnership Pop-Up meeting, Thursday 29 September at 3pm-4pm.	Circulated
24/09/2022	Email	Cost of living	Circulated
25/09/2022	Email	Theft from allotments	Circulated
26/09/2022	Email	Report of a lorry parked illegally on Redwick Road	Forwarded to PCSO
26/09/2022	Email	Public Transport - Not Leading by Example on Climate Change	Noted
26/09/2022	Email	Benches for Gorse Cover Road	JE replied
26/09/2022	Email	Prospect Rd/Gipsies Plat	JE replied
26/09/2022	Email	RE: Pilning and Severn Beach Village Agent	JE replied
26/09/2022	Email	Blog for the minutes	JE replied
27/09/2022	Email	Redwick Road Speed Restriction - Request	Matters arising
27/09/2022	Email	New SMAS & CHAS from contractor	Filled
27/09/2022	Email	Fire started at teen hut on Pilning Playing Field	Forwarded to PCSO
27/09/2022	Email	Grant application	JE replied
27/09/2022	Email	Complaint re the opening of access on Prospect Road to the field behind the school	JE replied
27/09/2022	Phone	Update on Pilning station	JE replied
27/09/2022	Email	WERN'S AGM - Save the Date	Circulated
27/09/2022	Email	220921/AC09 RE: Invitation to speak and take questions at a Pilning & Severn Beach Parish Council meeting.	Matters arising
27/09/2022	Email	Parish Council Bus Survey 260922	Circulated
27/09/2022	Email	Land lying West of Abbott Road	Circulated
27/09/2022	Email	Winterbourne Medieval Barn Trust	Circulated
27/09/2022	Email	PT.7412 - Pilning Remembrance Day Parade 2022 road closure	JE replied
27/09/2022	Email	Bollards at Severn Beach Station Road	JE replied
27/09/2022	Email	Community awards now open for nominations	Circulated

**APPENDIX B – ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>PAYEE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>NET VAT</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
05/09/2022	ELM TREE GARDEN	Grounds Maintenance	£1,219.99	£244.00	£1,463.99
05/09/2022	N HILLS	Severn Beach Toilets	£33.33	£-	£33.33
07/09/2022	ANDERSONS DRAINAGE	Drain clearance at Pilning Village Hall	£260.00	£52.00	£312.00
07/09/2022	GOOGLE IRELAND LTD	Email and Data storage	£110.40	£-	£110.40
20/09/2022	ANDERSONS DRAINAGE	New cess tank Pilning Village Hall	£15,332.00	£3,066.00	£18,398.40
20/09/2022	BRITISH TELECOM	Telephone & Broadband	£120.78	£24.15	£144.93
21/09/2022	NOW PENSIONS	Pension Contribution	£107.90	£-	£107.90
22/09/2022	PILNING VILLAGE HALL	Meeting room hire	£283.50	£-	£283.50
22/09/2022	A BRICE ELECTRICAL	New socket at Severn Beach Village Hall	£330.00	£66.00	£396.00
23/09/2022	ALCA	Councillor Training	£40.00	£-	£40.00
30/09/2022	J EDWARDES	Wages & Office	£1,284.46	£-	£1,284.46
30/09/2022	O MCINTOSH	Wages	£24.00	£-	£24.00
30/09/2022	HMRC	Tax & NI	£138.01	£-	£138.01
04/10/2022	PLANIT GARDENS	General Maintenance	£152.00	£-	£152.00
			<b>£19,436.37</b>	<b>£3,452.15</b>	<b>£22,888.92</b>

\$ From the Neighbourhood Plan Grant

## **APPENDIX C – REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**

Robert C. Griffin

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### **News for Pilning, Severn Beach, Easter Compton & Hallen. October 2022**

Dear Ward Members,

**Last month we started with a time of sadness for our beloved late Queen who served us valiantly for the last 70 years and now we are entering the reign of Charles 3rd , a new era dawns.**

**Planning update** – I attended the annual update of Planning regulations and the possible government changes in the pipeline to achieve 300,000 extra houses per year, if this is still a target. It confirmed my handling of Call ins I need to make from the circulated schedule.

**Horticultural Shows** – After the pandemic and drought the shows at Pilning and Hallen have bounced back to nearly their former glory. Well done to all concerned, a fine effort.

**Malaria** – A new drug has been generated at a Scottish University for this major disease. It is cheap to produce in India and could save 14,000 infant deaths per year in equatorial climes.

**Vaccination Fatigue** – The fifth covid booster is being given to NHS Staff, Care Home Staff and all vulnerable patients in the next few months, together with a flu jab. The current covid vaccine being used is the Moderna Spikevax bivalent Original/Omicron. Unfortunately, too many people are reading items on social media from unqualified people and taking note this could affect the outcome of some patients particularly pregnant women. When you have Covid it's too late and the infection rate is now rising.

**Bank Rate** – increase to 2.25% from 22nd September 2022.

A financial state statement – this has been issued by the government this week. We will wait and see the long terms affects.

**Abbot Road, Severn Beach** – a JCB has forced an entrance to this land which is behind Severn Beach school. Planning Enforcement have been notified.

**Electric cars** – rapid charging points appear to be the same price as petrol.

**Crown Courts** – witness statements which are pre-recorded can now be heard in all courts e.g., rape etc.

Yours sincerely,

Robert C. Griffin – District Councillor for Pilning, Severn Beach, Easter Compton & Hallen.

## **Appendix D**

### **Report from Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group**

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SG meeting since last PC meeting 20th Sept

Meeting attendance

We have two PC reps, but in recent times Ian Roberts has not been attending meetings, sending apologies, or fulfilling actions. I have stressed before how we consider the participation of the PC to be very important.

Planning Applications

Nothing new to review.

Parish Character Assessment

Now only one area outstanding – Western Approach. Photos available to send to AECOM for Design Codes Work, which they will provide a status up-date for our October meeting.

Evaluation of Sites

Sub-group meeting started evaluation process on 7/9/22; has produced a list of 25 high priority sites for evaluation. Start-up meeting with Locality/AECOM from which they have confirmed work can proceed. They have contacted SGC about their making of a screening decision and commencing SEA & HRA, which will assist AECOM in their work.

Visions, Aims & Objectives

The draft of these was reviewed by Stuart Todd, the planning consultant representing SGC at our meetings. Useful feedback, which will be used to refine the aims and objectives at a sub-group meeting next Tuesday. Then we will start public consultation and engage an independent planning consultant for formal review. I could elaborate on some of these at the end of this report if helpful to the PC.

Meeting with MP Jack Lopresti

Original early September date was postponed due to Queen Elizabeth II death. Moved to last Friday, Nick, Gary and myself attended where we briefed him on progress to date and the draft aims and objectives. Concluded speaking about some specific issues for him to take up on:

- M49 junction/link road potential 18-month delay.
- Need for a truck stop on Western Approach and the hurdles in moving that forward.
- Public transport – issues with land next to Severn Beach railway station, opportunities in the provision of local bus services, where businesses on Western Approach hire/run services for their own needs.
- Maintaining/creating green boundary/buffer zone from commercial developments and consideration of green belt exchange.
- Anticipated difficulties in sites in ownership of traveller community; sites being cleared by travellers, the number of sites already in Parish and the lack of compliance enforcement.

Strategic Infrastructure-led Masterplan for Severnside

Have sent in final comments as a reply to project team's responses to us. Final document expected this month.

Next SG meeting 18th October

## Appendix E

### Report on Pilning and Northwick Cemeteries, And Pilning allotments and playing field

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29 September 2022

#### Northwick Cemetery

Grass has been cut and all looks good. Drain smell still noticeable.

I have never noticed before:



Was the grave stone knocked over to accommodate the new fencing?

#### Pilning Cemetery

The grass has been cut and graves trimmed around.

The sites look tidy except for ongoing problem with the old, neglected graves.

#### Pilning allotments

All looks well and plots are generally tidy.

#### Pilning Playing field

Grass has been cut and there is very little litter except around the teen shelter.

No problem with the play equipment.

The tennis court looks as if it has been repainted? The weeds are coming through the hard surface.

We need to get them killed off in the Spring.

The sapling trees look in very good condition and the area around them has been tidied up.

Heather Rickards