

## RANGEWORTHY PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL VILLAGE ASSEMBLY HELD ON FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup> MAY 2022 AT 7.30PM IN THE KING GEORGE V MEMORIAL HALL

#### Those Present

Parish Councillors: Miss. W. Moody (Chairman) Miss. L. Haigh Mrs. M.J. Steer  
SGC Councillors: Cllr. C. Young, Cllr. T. Clark, Cllr. J. Lean  
Mrs. P. Evans (Clerk)

Six members of the public were present.

Prior to the start of the meeting Cllr. Moody introduced all of the Parish Councillors and Clerk.

#### **1. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr. Livall & Cllr. Moore.

#### **2. Approval of the Minutes of the 2019 Annual Assembly**

The Minutes of the 2019 Annual Village Assembly were adopted without alteration.

#### **4. To receive Report from the Parish Council Chairman- Cllr. W. Moody**

The Chairman of the Parish Council read out her report, which is appended to these minutes.

#### **5. To receive Report from SGC Representatives**

SGC Cllrs. circulated a copy of their report – a copy is appended to these minutes.

- Council Tax Energy Rebate – it was noted that the current system was not well adapted to paying out the rebate and there were plenty of ‘scams’ circulating. However, it was emphasised that SGC would not contact recipients if payment was made by direct debit – it would be an automatic refund.
- Bus Service Cuts & Timetable Changes – it was emphasised that unless Government addressed driver shortages, the route and timetable cuts would happen. It was not feasible for people to wait for buses that may not necessarily turn up. For rural areas, a bus service is essential and the only alternative would be community transport facilities.

#### **6. To receive reports from Parish Organisations**

**Hall Management Committee** – appended to these minutes.

**Jubilee Committee** – The Committee is in the process of organising events for the Queen’s forthcoming Platinum Jubilee; is working with the Church and other volunteers to provide a special afternoon tea, with music and a village photograph on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June; plans are in hand to put up a big screen in the church so that we can join in with the Service of Thanksgiving from St. Pauls. Unfortunately, the beer festival had to be cancelled due to lack of support in helping to organise the event. Generally, the Committee has been disappointed to note there appears to be a lack of community support when asking for people to join and help organise events.

**WI** – The WI group meets every second Wednesday of the month. So far this year the WI has received talks on fashion through the ages, explored ways of encouraging wildlife into gardens

and tried the skill of felting. The WI has raised money for The Children's Hospice Southwest through making and selling cakes at the Rangeworthy Vintage Fayres, and played skittles. The WI will also be quizzing, and organising the Senior Citizens' party on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July as well as organising the Annual Village Flower Show in September. The WI craft club meets at 7.30pm in the village hall on the fourth Wednesday of the month – tuition is available. The latest venture for the Craft Club is creating a wall hanging to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee.

**Neighbourhood Watch** – with only two active members, for now the group is not functioning. There does not appear to be much interest from residents.

**Primary School** – there are currently 71 children at the school with a full capacity intake in September 2022. The school is thriving despite the difficulties over the past two years. COVID did impact both staff and pupils, but at the moment the problem appears to be chicken pox. The Breakfast Club is well attended; there is a lunchtime supervisor vacancy; the old canopy has been replaced and some new Astro-turf is being laid. It has to be said, the children are flourishing and it is a happy school. The school is planning a picnic on the 27<sup>th</sup> May and will be creating an art work along the lines of “a day in the life of a Queen” to commemorate the forthcoming Platinum Jubilee.

**Parochial Church Council** – the pandemic had quite an impact on Church services which switched to Zoom, which were quite enjoyable. However, the church has returned to physical services and plans are to hold a service most Sundays. Just before lockdown, a new heating system was installed. Plans were to have a special re-opening service, but because of lockdown this was unable to happen. The Church continues to be very grateful for all the volunteer flower arrangers, cleaners and to those who undertake the outdoor maintenance. The church will be open all over the forthcoming Jubilee weekend. There are good links with the school who use the church quite often for services. The church is trying to implement a foodbank service and have a little box inside the church for people to put goods in.

#### 7. To receive the Financial Report from the Parish Clerk

The Clerk circulated a copy of her financial report which is appended to these minutes.

#### 8. Open Question Time

It was noted the amount of traffic on New Road is getting quite bad.

It was noted the verge at Weavers Close and Feltmakers Lane was becoming eroded due to recent developments. However, this location is in the adjoining parish.

The meeting noted the plaque on the hall wall for the 'Best Decorated Village' for the Coronation.

The meeting closed at 21:30 hrs.

Signed: W. Moody  
(Chairman of the Annual Village Assembly)

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023

## Parish Council Chairman's Report – Annual Village Assembly 2022 Presented by Cllr. Miss. Wendy Moody

Like many businesses and organisations, the Parish Council had to adopt a new way of working during the lockdowns. Zoom provided a safe and efficient way for our monthly meetings but by May 2021 the parliamentary legislation that allowed this had expired and was not renewed. Therefore, in June of last year we met again in person, the first time in over twelve months, suitably masked and at a distance. We have continued meeting in the Lister Room as usual, although with the door and window open it became something of an endurance test during the winter months.

Precept – The precept for 2022/2023 is set at £13,000, a £500 increase from the previous year when it was reduced in recognition of the difficulties experienced by all due to COVID-19. The current precept is still £1,000 less than pre-pandemic. The Parish Council has received Community Infrastructure Levy monies for capital projects such as the upgrade of the playground equipment installed last July and a planned defibrillator for the village hall. The PC has submitted detailed quotations for the use of S.106 funds from Harford Place which have been approved by SGC. The money has to be spent in pre-determined categories which are outdoor sports facilities, provision for children and young people, informal recreational space and natural and semi-natural open space.

Planning – Not surprisingly planning has been quiet in the village during the last two years. Most applications have been for small house extensions, loft conversions and garden office buildings, most probably to enable those who can work from home. The landbank is currently at 5.99 years of deliverable housing supply, an increase from the previous year of 5.28 years.

SGC are working on a new local plan and Rangeworthy is on the initial list of villages and settlements to be investigated for growth. One of the consultations that has taken place is the 'Call for Sites'. This enables landowners to register their land so it can be considered for future development. Most of the farmland to the east and west of the B4058 has been put forward and the acreage would be enough space to build some 5,000 houses. Be aware large and small developers have not gone away and with so much land potentially available they will be ready to make a move as and when the economic climate improves.

Highways – During the spring, new cats' eyes are being fitted along the B4058 from Iron Acton to Charfield and the missing chevrons on the bend in Bagstone have been replaced.

Residents have commented on the volume of traffic through the village, especially noticeable after the quiet of the first few weeks of lockdown in 2020. In an average week over 62,000 vehicles travel through, which equates to 8,900 per day and a staggering 3.25 million in a year. Of these 72% exceeded the 30mph speed limit. The Police carry out regular speed checks but when drivers are aware of their presence, they signal to each other to slow down so relatively few are caught for speeding.

A number of residents have expressed an interest in resurrecting the Speed Watch Group. This has to be done in conjunction with Avon & Somerset Police and involves security checks and training. However, if volunteers are willing there is no reason why this cannot be pursued.

Putting the situation into perspective, with over 3 million vehicles travelling along the B4058 in a year, thankfully there have been only a handful of minor accidents. Although any accident is one too many, no-one is responsible for the inconsiderate driving of others exceeding the speed limit other than those drivers themselves. We have been debating this topic for decades and it seems the standard of driving doesn't improve. An unintended consequence of slowing traffic is the greater possibility of future development. When the speed limit was 40mph it was considered too fast for new accesses. With the adoption of the 30mph it has opened the opportunities for building off the B4058.

One solution is to continue lobbying SGC for a pedestrian controlled crossing somewhere between New Road and Church Lane. A need was identified by the Strategic Planning Team back in 2014 to get children safely to school and the PC have reminded SGC of this whenever a planning application arrives which requires access from the main road.

Remaining on the subject of road safety, I am sorry to say the PC have received reports once again of parents crossing children to school from the Rose & Crown car park. I implore you to take a few extra minutes to walk south of the pub to the tessellated crossing point. Not only does this provide a visual splay

for crossing, more importantly drivers can see you from a longer distance rather than the blind bend approaching the pub. This of this as an opportunity to teach crossing procedures and road safety every day. Today's five-year olds could be drivers themselves in twelve years' time so the sooner they can be taught to anticipate the dangers of traffic, the safer they will be.

To the long-suffering residents of Patch Elm Lane who have to contend with potholes, collapse of the verge into the ditch, total disintegration of the road surface into rubble in places, flooding when it rains and a need to wear wellington boots when visiting neighbours in the winter to deal with the constant mud. All totally unacceptable conditions. Five years ago, SGC promised to resurface the lane and we started to count down the years. Those five years have now come and gone and we are still waiting. SGC have a new system for prioritising road repairs with 'A' roads most important, followed by 'B' roads and last of all 'unclassified'. Patch Elm Lane is 460<sup>th</sup> on the list, although SGC did say they would take another look which resulted in potholes being outlined in yellow paint which promptly washed off in the next storm. The 'to-do' list is re-assessed every six months with the highest usage roads given the higher priority, so unfortunately the wait goes on. The only good news is that although the installation of the battery storage facility and electricity substation at the end of the farm track by the railway line has been granted planning permission, the access track to the site during construction has been changed to Latteridge Road and Northmead Lane, so common sense has prevailed on this one.

Big Spring Clean – It was possible to take part in the Big Spring Clean this year after a break of two years. Although on the day only one volunteer turned up (and thanks to that person), between us we were able to cover the village north and south of the Hall which resulted in two medium size bags of rubbish. Comparing this to the first time we took part some fifteen years ago when thirty large bags of litter were collected, I consider this to be a good result. This must be due to residents who have gone out over the past two years and picked litter as part of their walking routine and kept the village in good order, so a big thank you to everyone for making the time and effort.

Public Rights of Way – The footpaths across the fields have been well used during the lockdowns and there have been no reported blockages. Remember to follow the country code when crossing farmland, keeping dogs on leads and not deviate from the course of the footpath. It appears that government are going to abandon the requirement for 'lost paths' to be registered by 2026.

Recreation Ground – Now the new boiler has been installed in the pavilion the PC have resolved to have a refresh of the painting and decorating inside and out. With the use of S.106 monies it is intended to extend the pedestrian path around to the pavilion and provide a ramp to facilitate disabled access. Also planned is a 'Sportswall' for older children situated well away from the habitation.

Following an idea from Cllr. Haigh, seven silver birch trees have been planted to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Each tree represents one decade of the Monarch's reign and the silver bark, which peels to reveal a fresh clean trunk every Spring is symbolic of the platinum colour. Obviously, this is a long-term project and Prince George will be likely King by the time these trees reach their full splendour, so something for the children of today to enjoy in the future. And thanks to Cllr. Haigh who has volunteered to keep the trees watered and tended during this important first year of establishing.

Woodland – The woodland has been a great asset during the lockdowns of the past two years for some tranquil exercise. The Spring flowers which the school children helped to plant have started to naturalise and clumps of snowdrops can be found in January and February, followed by native daffodils. The Parish Council has plans, with section 106 monies to plant some heritage varieties of fruit trees. Many orchards have been lost over the last 100 years and with them tree varieties indigenous to Gloucestershire, so to be able to plant these for the future which can be used and enjoyed by residents is an opportunity to be taken.

Community Library/Bookswap – Overall, the community library has benefitted from lockdowns. During the restrictions, whilst the library was closed, we were able to make doorstep deliveries to anyone who required some reading material and the enforced time at home gave people the chance to sort out unwanted books, so we have had some excellent donations. After a lengthy closure we re-opened the library at the beginning of June 2021. We are only limited by space which ensures we have a regular rotation of books, so there is always something new to discover ranging from the latest best-sellers to timeless classics, a wide range of non-fiction and a comprehensive collection of children's books catering for tiny tots, new and

improving readers and young adult fiction. Grateful thanks to the Village Hall Committee for letting us use the room, to everyone who has donated so many interesting books and to our volunteers past and present. Some of the volunteers have had to stand down due to family commitments so if anyone would like to help, please contact the Clerk, or come along on a Friday afternoon between 2.30pm and 4.00pm to enquire about offering your time.

Thank you to residents who contact the Parish Council regarding fly-tipping, failing street lamps and so forth and especially anyone who makes the effort to reply to planning applications. This greatly assists the Parish Council in having an application 'called in' for the SGC Planning Committee to make the decision rather than just one case officer.

Also, thanks to our volunteer defibrillator guardians who have been appointed to check the apparatus is in working order.

Our three District Councillors, Cllr. Claire Young, Cllr. Tristan Clark and Cllr. Jon Lean have diligently attended our Zoom meetings and have now joined us again in the Lister Room. They have been especially helpful in planning matters and went the extra mile, giving up a Saturday morning during the Winter to look at Patch Elm Lane and the approach to the previously mentioned battery storage site. I am sure their influence helped to change the plan and put forward an alternative route. I know they would be only too willing to help residents who contact them directly about matters concerning SGC.

On behalf of all the Parish Councillors I wish to thank our Clerk Paula, who has kept the business of the Council spinning efficiently along from the confines of her office these past two years, and for hosting the Zoom meetings which, after the initial novelty of the technology, proved to be invaluable for keeping in touch month by month. Paula regularly updates the website – [www.rangeworthyparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.rangeworthyparishcouncil.org.uk) – as well as the articles in the Parish Magazine, so it is easy for residents to find out what is happening.

I had the honour of being re-elected as Chairman of the Parish Council three days ago, to serve the final year of this Council until the local elections in May 2023. If anyone would like to be a Parish Councillor now is the time to start thinking about it. I would say the best attribute to have is infinite patience as the wheels of local government move slowly, you won't change the world, but you will learn much and be able to help the community.

I have very much enjoyed meeting up with my fellow Councillors again this past year, and would like to thank Cllr. Haigh and Cllr. Steer for attending online forums and consultations, Cllr. Moore for attending planning meetings and along with Cllr. Livall for helping out with practical jobs around the parish. As always it has been a pleasure working with you all and I look forward to progressing our goals in the year ahead.

### **District Councillors' Report**

**South Gloucestershire Local Plan and West of England Spatial Development Strategy** - The past year has seen continual work by South Gloucestershire Council drafting a new Local Plan. The Local Plan will determine how our urban towns and rural communities will develop over the next 18 years. The Phase 2 consultation, which explored a range of issues and policies without identifying specific sites for development, has just concluded. Officers are now analysing the responses from that public consultation. They expect to publish a Phase 3 consultation document, which will identify major sites for housing development, in late 2022 or early 2023. The Phase 3 consultation, however, will require the West of England Combined Authority (WECA) making satisfactory progress drafting their regional development plan (the Spatial Development Strategy or SDS). If there are further delays in preparing the SDS this will produce knock on delays with the Local Plan as it must be consistent with the SDS. Some of the delays with the SDS have been incurred because Michael Gove, the *Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities*, has indefinitely postponed Conservative plans to radically reform the planning system.

Councillor Toby Savage, the Conservative Leader of South Gloucestershire Council, has recently revealed that an initial version of WECA's SDS specified that a total of 37,000 homes may be earmarked for South Gloucestershire. This would be 9,000 more than the anticipated need for South Gloucestershire alone when calculated using the government's standard formula for housing demand.

South Gloucestershire Council could be required to deliver the additional 9,000 homes under the Duty to Cooperate. The Localism Act 2011 places a legal duty upon Local Planning Authorities (LPAs) to engage constructively, actively and on an ongoing basis to maximise the effectiveness of development plan. It is not a statutory duty to agree but LPAs must make every effort to secure the necessary cooperation on strategic cross boundary matters before they submit their Local Plans for examination. LPAs must demonstrate how they have complied with the duty at the independent examination of their Local Plans in order for those plans to be successfully adopted.

**Member Award Funding for 2022/23** - Do you know of any local community group that is looking for funding for a project? If they mainly serve people in Frampton Cotterell ward (Frampton Cotterell, Coalpit Heath, Iron Acton, Rangeworthy, Tytherington and surrounding areas), get in touch with us about Member Awarded Funding (MAF). Between us we have a total of £9,000 to allocate to local projects in the coming year. We are particularly keen to hear from groups and communities that haven't applied to us before especially from Rangeworthy or Tytherington.

If your project benefits people from a much wider area, covering much of South Gloucestershire, you can apply for an Area Wide Grant (AWG). The deadline for the first round of applications for 2022/23 is 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

For both grants, your group needs to be registered with the council's grants system. You can find more information on AWG at [www.southglos.gov.uk/AWG](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/AWG) and about all community grants available through the council at [www.southglos.gov.uk/grants](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/grants)

**Bus Service Cuts and Timetable Changes** - The Government has announced that financial support provided under the Bus Recovery Grant (BRG) scheme will finish in October. The West of England Combined Authority (WECA) were notified by local bus operators of many service changes, came into effect on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2022, as operators adjust to the government's announcement. Bus operators have provided the following update on the pressures they are experiencing:

*In recent months we have experienced significant driver shortage across the West of England – we have seen increased numbers of leavers, due primarily to drivers being tempted into the HGV industry by significantly inflated wages for haulage companies (following the HGV crisis). [...] As well as increased leavers we also continue to experience driver sickness at approximately 9% (normally at this time of year this would be around 3%) some of which is COVID related.*

*Recruitment has also been significantly challenging in recent months. [...] With our current levels of attrition and sickness we are approximately 120 drivers short of our required establishment.*

WECA will be supporting a number of bus services, using underspends from their 2021/22 budget, that would have been withdrawn for being commercially unviable. This includes the Y3 that serves Iron Acton and the Y5 that serves Westerleigh village. As the ongoing financial support from WECA cannot be guaranteed in the long-term replacement services will be put out to tender at the end of August.

<b>T2 (Bristol)</b>	Thornbury – Alveston – Rudgeway – Hortham - Almondsbury – Patchway – Cribbs Causeway – Filton – Horfield - Bishopston – Bristol Bus Station	Service Withdrawn due to low passenger numbers, passengers are able to use service 10 or T1 as an alternative.
<b>Y1 (Bristol)</b>	Chipping Sodbury – Yate – Nibley – Coalpit Heath – Frenchay – Bristol Bus Station	Timetable amendment.
<b>Y2 (Bristol)</b>	Yate – Nibley – Coalpit Heath – Downend – Fishponds – Eastville - Bristol Bus Station	Service Withdrawn. Passengers can use services Y1, Y4, Y6, 86 and 680 an alternative.
<b>Y3 (Bristol)</b>	Yate – Iron Acton – Frampton Cotterell – Winterbourne – Hambrook – Bristol Bus Station	Timetable Changes: WECA is funding the full service as it is no longer commercially viable. It will include a replacement service within the tender round to start from 28 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.
<b>Y4</b>	Yate – Nibley – Coalpit Heath – Frampton	Route amendment, service will now terminate at

<b>(Bristol)</b>	Cotterell – Winterbourne – Hambrook – Frenchay – Broomhill – Stapleton – Eastville - Bristol Bus Station	Yate Park and Ride. Frequency reduction to every 90 minutes.
<b>Y5 (Bristol)</b>	Chipping Sodbury – Yate – Westerleigh – Pucklechurch – Shortwood – Mangotsfield – Staple Hill – Fishponds – Eastville – Bristol Bus Station	Timetable Change: WECA is funding the full service as it is no longer commercially viable. It will include a replacement service within the tender round to start from 28 <sup>th</sup> August 2022.
<b>Y6 (Bristol)</b>	Chipping Sodbury – Yate – Nibley – Coalpit Heath – Frampton Cotterell – Winterbourne – Stoke Gifford – Little Stoke – Patchway – Cribbs Causeway – Filton – Southmead Hospital	Timetable changes.

**Council Tax Energy Rebate** - A £150 rebate to residents who pay council tax in South Gloucestershire will begin to be paid to householders later this month and in May. The final details of the scheme were agreed at the Cabinet meeting on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April and include a range of additional, discretionary support for those who do not qualify for the national scheme, but who are still in need of support as energy costs are rising. Most households in bands A to D will be eligible.

Residents paying their council tax by direct debit will, in most cases, receive the payment directly into their bank account. Anybody not already paying by direct debit can set it up online ([www.southglos.gov.uk/council-tax/my-council-tax-online](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/council-tax/my-council-tax-online)). This way the council has the bank details needed to directly pay the £150 rebate. Most households paying by direct debit will get their payment by early June. Residents who do not pay by direct debit will receive a letter with details on how the rebate will be paid. South Gloucestershire Council has apologised for the length of time it is taking to pay the rebate; the council's finance system is not set up to process such a higher number of payments to residents.

The council is also offering support through a discretionary scheme which will provide the £150 rebate to:

- people who get council tax reduction in bands E to H
- people who get Disabled Band Reduction (DBR) in bands E to G
- foster carers in bands E to H
- care homes in bands E to H
- carers in bands E to H
- people who have severe mental impairment in bands E to H
- households in bands E to H where there is an existing disregard as a member of the household is receiving long term care in hospital or care home
- students in bands E to H
- households in bands E to H where everyone living there is under 18 years of age
- night shelters or hostels in bands E to H
- households where everyone living there over 18 years old is on a government recognised apprenticeship scheme

The council will contact households in these categories this month. For people not in one of these categories, or who are eligible for the rebate but need more financial support, the council is also running the Community Resilience Fund (CRF). Find out more by visiting [www.southglos.gov.uk/community-resilience-fund](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/community-resilience-fund), by visiting one of the council's One Stop Shops or calling the Contact Centre on 01454 868009.

### **Report from Fionna Vosper, Chairman Rangeworthy Hall Management Committee**

A new heating boiler was installed in the early 2020 to ensure that we have a reliable source of heating in future. Also, in early 2020 Rangeworthy pre-school made the decision that it could no longer be run as a viable business and had to close. This is a great shame as the pre-school had been part of the Rangeworthy community for about 50 years. Hence, the beginning of the year also saw the removal of pre-school equipment and a rearrangement of cupboard space.

During March as the Covid pandemic spread, hirers notified us that they were intending to cancel. By the end of March, we were in complete lockdown so the hall had to close to all bookings. It remained this way for several months, during which time hall committee members made regular trips to the hall to check the building. In June 2020 a large-scale water leak occurred affecting the chair store, kitchen, main hall and side stage. The main damage was to the chair store ceiling and electrics and decoration in adjacent areas an insurance claim was made and repairs were carried out.

The hall was reopened in late 2020 line with Covid requirements to install signage, hand sanitiser stations carry out risk assessments and amend our hiring documentation and arrangements. We were fortunate that the size of the main hall meant it was possible to host a reasonably sized group in a socially distanced way. We therefore gained additional bookings for yoga classes, baby sensory, pilates and line dancing which went some way to offset the losses from other regular hirers who were not currently in a position to continue at that time. Bookings have gradually returned to normal levels since the lockdowns have been eased.

We also received grant funding from South Gloucestershire Council and used this to offset hire charges to help hirers who were unable to operate as normal, keeping charges at a reduced rate, which is ongoing and will be reviewed in September this year.

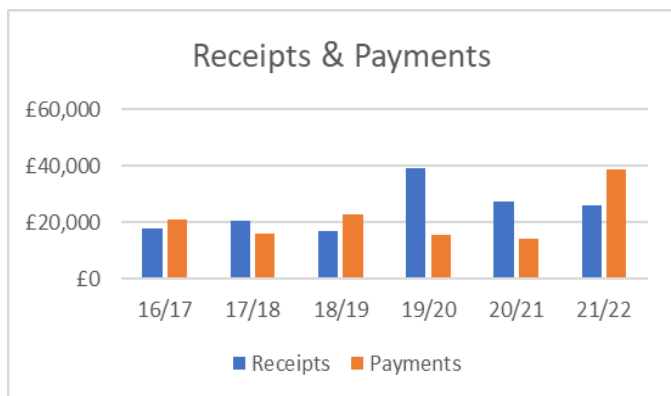
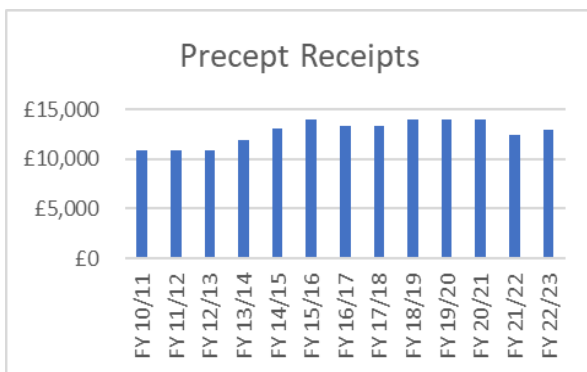
We aim to provide an attractive, well cared for venue for use by the local community and the committee has plans for the on-going refurbishment, maintenance and promotion of the hall.

I would like to thank everyone on the committee for their important and valuable contributions to the smooth running of the hall. We have a small and dedicated group of volunteers who attend committee meetings and other volunteers who perform regular tasks on our behalf. I would like to thank all of them for the work they do. Even seemingly small tasks take time and effort and we all have busy lives and other commitments so the time they put into Rangeworthy Hall is greatly appreciated.

As always, we would welcome new committee members from the local community to share the workload if anyone has time to help us. Please do come along to a committee meeting held on the second Monday of each month in the Lister Room at the hall, or contact Fionna Vosper on 227445 for further information.

## FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE PARISH CLERK

I am pleased to report that Rangeworthy Parish Council's financial position is robust with healthy reserves. Rangeworthy Parish Council has managed to keep the annual precept requests at realistic levels for the past decade and even reduced the 2020-2021 request down to £12,500 (from £14,000 the previous year) in recognition of financial hardship being experienced during the COVID-19 pandemic.



In financial year 2021/2022 Rangeworthy Parish Council had receipts of £26,068 (including £11,806 worth of CIL), and payments of £38,667. During the year, the Parish Council funded new play equipment (£12,933) and a new fuel-efficient boiler for the pavilion (£6,223).

The table below shows the total amount of Community Infrastructure Levy received since its inception in 2017. CIL is an additional payment made by any developer (large scale or small) to

offset the added pressure that additional development places on a parish. CIL has a set spending criterion, and it must be spent on “*the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure; or anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on it*”. Additionally, CIL must be spent within five years of receipt otherwise it must be returned to South Gloucestershire Council.

CIL is different to Section 106 money which again is an additional payment made by developers. S.106 also had strict spending criterion such as outdoor sport provision,

Collected by SGC During FY	Received by PC Financial Year	Amount Received	To be Spent By	Amount Spent	FY in which spend occurred	Balance Remaining	Notes on Expenditure
2016/2017	2017/2018	£2,926.02	30th April 2022	£2,926.02	2018/2019	£0.00	Memorial Hall Car Park Refurbishment
2017/2018	2018/2019	£245.16	30th April 2023	£245.16	2018/2019	£0.00	Memorial Hall Car Park Refurbishment
2018/2019	2019/2020	£23,535.88	30th April 2024	£19,156.67	2021/2022	£4,379.21	£6,223.67 - New Boiler; £12,933 new play equipment
2019/2020	2020/2021	£7,870.70	30th April 2025			£7,870.70	
2020/2021	2021/2022	£11,806.05	30th April 2026			£11,806.05	
2021/2022	2022/2023	£14,001.87	29th April 2027			£14,001.87	
Cumulative Balance:						<b>£38,057.83</b>	

children & young people and enhancement of open green spaces within a certain radius of the approved housing development. There is generally a “bidding” process for this money with organisations based within said radius invited to submit project ideas. Rangeworthy Parish Council has recently been involved in such a bidding programme for the S.106 money from the Harford Close development. So far, the Parish Council has been successful in securing £28,668 to make improvements to the recreation ground and woodland, with a further £24,521 awaiting a decision by SGC.

Future spending plans include the provision of village gateway signs and an additional defibrillator unit at the Memorial Hall. If parishioners have any ideas on how we may spend CIL, please contact the Clerk.