

## Parish Council Notes – Council Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018

**Planning: Windrush Restaurant.** Cotswold District Council recently considered a retrospective planning application from the owner of the Windrush Restaurant for the *'Retention of works to Windrush Restaurant, including air intake and extraction flues, air conditioning units, the erection of a detached refrigeration unit and gas box, the erection of a stone wall and gates and boundary fencing, the extension of the flat roof above the lobby, insertion of new windows and doors, increased width to the kitchen and restaurant extensions and the erection of a timber hanging sign'*. CDC refused all aspects of the application except the hanging sign. They have given their officers delegated authority to take enforcement action.

**The former Lloyds TSB Bank** is also the subject of a planning application to become a Fish and Chip Restaurant with letting rooms above. The change of use will make very little difference to the exterior of the building. The Parish Council has asked CDC planners to impose a number of conditions which should minimise disturbance to neighbours and ensure that the exterior signage is in keeping with the village setting.

**Roads and Traffic.** Parish Councillors recently had a very useful meeting with officers from Gloucestershire County Council Highways to consider a package of measure to tackle parking and other traffic issues. Once GCC has drawn up the necessary plans there will be a public consultation. As part of this, the Parish Council will organise a public meeting so that all residents have an opportunity to see what is being proposed and to make comments. The Council is going to draw up a model letter which can be given to bus drivers who come into the middle of the village to drop passengers on double yellow lines.

**Byelaws.** The Parish Council has been working on new byelaws the Village Green, playing fields, play grounds and many of our footpaths and open spaces. The byelaws will help to protect the environment and prohibit activities which cause unreasonable noise and disturbance. By the time you are reading this, we should have submitted the byelaws to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government for approval by the Secretary of State.

**The Victoria Cross Commemoration Saturday 10 November.** This autumn the village will be commemorating the award of a Victoria Cross to Lt Col Dudley Johnson who was born here. Lt Col Johnson was awarded the VC for *'conspicuous bravery and leadership during the forcing of the Sambre Canal on 4<sup>th</sup> November 1918'*. We will be marking the event with a Parade and the unveiling of a plaque followed by refreshments at the Village Hall. More details will be published nearer the time, but save the date.

**Playgrounds.** The annual health and safety checks have been carried out on the play equipment and all was found to be in good order. It has been suggested that more adult seating might be needed. If you are a visitor to these the play parks and would like more seats, please let the Parish Council office know.

**Village Green.** Six new seats have recently been installed on the Riverside Walk and the others have been painted. The Parish Council is working with those who use the Green for events, such as duck racing, to ensure that no one area suffers too much wear and tear.

**Allotments.** New notice boards will shortly be installed at the allotments. The allotments will be entering the Moreton Show competition again this year and we wish them all the best, particularly with this year's very challenging growing conditions.

**Next Parish Council Meeting:** Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August at 7pm in the Community Centre. Sue Cretney, Clerk. Tel: 01451 820712; Email: [clerk@bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk). Website: [www.bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk](http://www.bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk)