Councillors’ Report From 14th March Meeting

**Councillor Bowen**

Extended parking on Mill Hill: letter written for Parish Clerk to amend and send to Brian Watkins.

PROW: New stiles x 2 delivered to Brian Townshend for FHE18. I have offered to call a work party.

Bruce May will provide a traditional kissing gate for FHE48 - to replace the old stile for less mobile visitors and parishioners - Mary Harris and Lois Harris have both agreed Forestry will repair the damage done along the Monks Path FHE63. It is suspected that it was done by contractors working for the owner of the fields opposite Tintern, but no proof is forthcoming. David Skykes of Forestry has kindly offered to do this.

Jonathan Cockburn has cleared the fallen tree at the top of FHE27. (He owns the fields on either side of this path.)

I am meeting Jeff Wheeler, PROW inspector for Forest of Dean/West Gloucestershire, on Thursday 6th April.

Please note that Gloucs PROW has a new health & safety rule that ground that is going to be excavated needs to be CAT scanned. This follows an AMEY employee getting fried by a cable. Jeff has offered to scan the FHE48 kissing gate and the FHE18 locations.

I have taken all relevant paperwork to Nat West Bank Chepstow.

**Councillor Endersby**

Councillor Endersby has been away dealing with pressing family matters.

The excerpt below with amendments is from March’s Councillors’ report.

**Gregory Farm** – Tony Pope has advised that the first stage would be to have a pre-application meeting which is free of charge. His advice is to discuss our plans before making any application. For discussion at meeting.

**Scottish Widows account -** I confirm that I have completed the form changing the Scottish Widows account contacts to Lyn Skuse and myself. Lyn has to arrange for the previous Clerk to complete and sign one section of this form and then it will be sent to Scottish Widows for amendment.

**Cleaning of mud from Brockweir Quay -** Testing of pump and hoses and to find a secure storage place preferably at Quay House. I am fixing a date for the pump to be tested and then will arrange storage. Update - I have spoken to Kim at Quay House who has agreed to store the pump. I would like to purchase a number coded padlock for the outhouse where the pump will be stored. I have been advised that the pump is now working, the problem seems to have been the outlet hose but this still has to be tested using the river water. Date to be arranged.

**Councillor Harris**

Bale storage - I have an update and this is on the agenda for discussion at this meeting.

**Councillor Sinfield**

The amended Publications List has been added to the website.

**The Brockweir Country Inn -** The Buildings Survey by Alcocks Chartered Surveyors has been received and will be discussed during Part B at the April meeting.

**Cllrs. Fox, Merrett and Wilson**

No actions to report on.