

## Extracts from Parish Coucil Meeting

8th August 2011

The South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP) is now moving into the public consultative stage and the next few months will see in what direction the future of Kempsey lies, so it is important that all the community engage in this process so that we can influence the development of our village and prevent the our loss of identity and independence. To this end I urge the community to get involved in this process and make your views known at the various meetings being organised by Malvern Hills District Council and to the new committee developing our Parish Plan who will be holding a forum shortly to obtain updates on your vision of the future direction of our community.

The timetable for construction of the flood defences remains on schedule despite the skeletal finds on the access road to the site. The archeological survey is a normal feature of any such development and we may benefit from a little more information on the life and times of our distant predecessors to add to the rich history of Kempsey.

The various sub committees of the Parish Council have been active over the last few months in formulating and implementing their programmes. During the next year we will be installing more dual purpose litter bins to help address the ongoing dog fouling problem and we are considering other options to help alleviate this perennial issue. The Rocky, a valuable asset of the village, will be given a makeover initially by strimming of the undergrowth and pollarding of the trees prior to the proposed development of a new circular path and an additional bridge to make the area more accessible for all to enjoy. The topping of our commons is in full swing and the first stage of the improvement to Ashmoor Common has been completed. An extensive inspection of Kempsey Common was carried out and a schedule of work required has been drawn up for actioning.

The Community Centre is due for decoration and it was thought it would be nice to brighten up the foyer area with old pictures of Kempsey especially of the centre when it was a school. So if anyone has historic photos of Kempsey they are willing to have copied for display we would like to hear from you - contact the Parish Clerk in the first instance please.

John Michael  
Chairman