

Update from	Christian Malford
Date of Area Board Meeting	Monday 7th March 2011

Headlines

Parish Clerk: The Parish Clerk has decided to retire from the post; we are actively searching for a suitable replacement.

New Housing: After many years delay work has begun on the housing development on the old gravel pit site. The 13 new homes (including 6 affordable) will be a welcome addition to the village.

Meeting 15 Feb 2011: An extremely constructive meeting was held in Christian Malford on 15 Feb 2011 with Wiltshire Council Highways and the Council's Drainage Engineer; a number of flooding and highways related issues were covered and a way forward agreed.

Malford Meadow:

- Hedge laying, river bank clearance and coppicing of willow trees has now been completed.
- The setting up of a village 'Fishing Club' is under consideration.

Recreation Ground: A study into the access at the Recreation Ground is to be undertaken in order to improve safety.

Gravel Extraction: No feed-back has been received about the proposal for gravel extraction from area B16.

Projects

Recreation Ground: Three detailed quotations have been received for improving the facilities at the Recreation Ground; these are being studied before any decisions are made.

Church Yard / Burial Ground: New hedging (200+ native species) has been planted on the eastern boundary and the hedge on the northern boundary cut.

Future Events/Dates for the diary

- **Tuesday 7th April 2011: Parish Council Meeting**
- **Tuesday 3rd May 2011: Parish Council Meeting (AGM)**
- **Monday 9th May 2011 : Chippenham Area Board Meeting**
- **Saturday 14th May 2011 : Christian Malford May Ball**

Signed: *Nigel Fairley*

Date: 16th February 2011