# Update for Chippenham Area Board

Update from	CHRISTIAN MALFORD
Date of Area Board Meeting	1 March 2010

### Headlines/Key Issues

#### • Flooding:

- o Flooding remains a major concern in the village and local area. We have received a letter from Cllr Jane Scott and Wiltshire Council Briefing Note 27 regarding the Operational Flood Working Groups (OFWG). We firmly believe that Town and Parish Councils affected by flooding should be involved in the OFWG; we look forward to active involvement within the OFWG(N).
- We have received confirmation from the Environment Agency that the damage reported to Lower Seagry Mill Weir has had no effect on the flow or operational water management of the River Avon.
- **B4069:** We have received a copy of the 'summary' of the report by Mouchel Ltd on the B4069. Without the full report it is difficult to see how they reached their conclusions and recommendations which appear 'unbalanced' and give weight to a number of 'red herrings'. A very disappointing 'summary'; where the top recommendation is a voluntary code of practise for HGV waste lorries, this has already been tried and has failed.
- **Speeding**: Speeding remains a problem on the B4069 with motorists ignoring the 40 & 30 mph speed limits. (See projects).
- Malford Meadow (Pocket Park): We are close to signing a 'Tenancy in Will' agreement with Wiltshire Council which will give us access to the land prior to signing the Tenancy Agreement for the 25 year lease..

## **Projects**

- Wessex Water: Work is progressing well on the Swallet Gate flood alleviation project.
- **Burial Ground**: Seeding and landscaping of the burial ground extension is planned for the spring. The establishment of a 'Memorial Garden' is under consideration.
- **Speeding**: Investigating the purchase of a speed gun with other villages in the area.

## **Future Events/Dates for the diary**

•	2 Mar 10	Parish Council Meeting.
•	6 Apr 10	Parish Council Meeting
•	4 May 10	Parish Council Meeting
•	TBC	Public Meeting to discuss improvements and development of the Rec.

Signed: N C Fairley

Date: 10 February 2009