Update for Chippenham Area Board

Update from	Sutton Benger Parish Council
Date of Area Board Meeting	30 June 2014

Headlines/Key Issues

- Considering future membership of Campaign to Protect Rural England membership by looking into what exactly membership actually offers for the PC and parishioners.
- Following a presentation on the refurbishment of the Recreation Ground Playground it was agreed to use the Community Funding (some £5300) to support the scheme.
- The PC will actively support the provision of 2 Defibrillators in the village (procurement costs are being met by a parishioner).
- The issue of S106 monies for the planned Hazelwood development was discussed
- It appears unclear as to if a new application would be made by the new developer (who is Redrow, the developer of the Faccianda Site) or if the previous application by Gleesons remains extant.
- Councillors have followed this up and it remains a difficult issue to resolve with apparently little (or no) appetite from WCC to proactively engage and assist the PC with ensuring S106 monies are allocated to support the Village.
- The PC plans to object to the development and attend the WC Planning Meeting on 25th June 2014 to detail the objections.
- The PC has also tried to work with the CC on allocation of S106 funding but it appears to fall into the category of 'too difficult' apart from apportionment of some funding towards alleviating flooding issues in which case the PC struggles with why no further re=apportionment can be made.
- It would be fair to summarise the frustration experienced by the PC regarding engagement with the CC over this issue it appears that as long as S106 funding goes into Chippenham than the CC is content, even though little has been done to improve the amenities within the Village in line with both the OPC and parishioners' wishes.