



**Cromhall, Tortworth, Falfield, Rangeworthy, Wickwar,
Cotswold Edge (north and west of A46) Community
Engagement Forum
Minutes and Issues raised**

Chair: Cllr Mike Cheskin

Date: Thursday 29th June 2017

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: Cromhall Chapel

Present:

Mike Cheskin
Terry Proffitt
Cllr Sue Hope
Cllr John O'Neil
Brian Gaches
Alison Pilkington
Ken Fryer
Lyn Haigh
Roland Hobbs
Lyn Haigh
Robert Killen
Mark Rosher
Martin Summers
Wm A Davies
R Roberts
K Rudrum
PC Ken Hill
PCSO Sian Rollings
Trevor Willmott
Graham Chamberlain
+ 3 Residents

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Vice-Chair
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SGC – Community Engagement Officer
SGC - Notetaker
Falfield Parish Council
Rangeworthy Parish Council
Cromhall Parish Council
Rangeworthy Parish Council
Tortworth Parish Council
Charfield Parish Council
Wickwar Parish Council
Avon Fire & Rescue
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Avon & Somerset Police
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Avon & Somerset Police/NHW Administrator
Inglestone NHW

1 Welcome & Introductions

Cllr Mike Cheskin welcomed everyone to the meeting, introductions were made and Chris Crocker was thanked for the use of the Chapel.

2 Apologies

Apologies were received from:

Cllr Marian Lewis, Pat Trull – Wickwar Parish Council, Christopher Dunn, Ray Johnson

3 **Update from Avon Fire and Rescue (AFRS)**

Avon Fire and Rescue provided an update prior to the meeting (See Appendix 2). Wm Davies reported the following:

- During the period from June 2015 – May 2016 the Fire Service have attended 135 incidents in the area.
- Home fire safety visits ongoing delivering home safety advice to residents – receiving referrals from other agencies.
- Carried out 2 school visits during period to KS1 pupils.
- Now we are in the summer months AFRS are working with the NHS and other key agencies to deliver outdoor safety messages in relation to the use of BBQs and camp fires by attending Community events.
- AFRS been busy inspecting blocks of flats within the area together with fire technical advisor as a matter of urgency. It was reported that South Glos do not have any similar cladding which was involved in recent Grenfell fire.

Q – What has been the cause of the false alarms in the area?

A – The false alarms were not malicious in any way and mostly due to faulty fire alarms.

Q – Has the new shift been implemented at Yate Station?

A – Yes – It is manned between 8am-5pm and then covered by a retained crew between the hours of 5pm-8am 7 days a week.

Q – Will your safety visits be extended to cover buildings owned by private landlords and schools?

A – The responsibility of these buildings are covered under other organisations i.e. local authorities.

The Chair thanked the Fire Service for their conduct with recent fire. AFRS left @ 7.40pm

4 **Update from Avon and Somerset Police**

PC Ken Hill, Beat Manager, Chipping Sodbury reported the following for the period:

- Hawkesbury Upton/Horton area – theft of 1 motor vehicle, 1 anti-social incident, no burglaries and 1 speeding offence.
- He confirmed that the speed gun will be coming out in the area.
- Charfield area – 4 caravan thefts, 1 livestock trailer theft, 1 theft from shed incident and 2 theft from motor vehicle incidents involving lorries. 2 offenders regarding metal thefts have been dealt with by Court and items recovered.
- Received good results with drink/drug related incidents.
- Residents urged to be mindful of walk-in burglaries during hot weather and reminded to lock buildings/outbuildings.
- It was also mentioned that Youths had been causing problems at Charfield Memorial Hall, however the Youth Club has now taken in these individuals and problem has been resolved.

Q – What is the situation with speeding vehicles in Wotton Road/Rangeworthy area?

A – This is an ongoing issue and camera van recorded 2 motor vehicles exceeding speeds of 60mph. Two motor accidents have also been reported, one of which involved a motorbike which appeared to also be speeding. It was reiterated to report any speeding vehicles to 101. If unable to take number plate a description of vehicle is adequate.

Q – There are various issues regarding the standard of roads in Charfield area and vehicles travelling too fast?

A – Police confirmed that no incidents have been reported to them during period and again urged residents to report via 101.

Q – How should an incident reported to Neighbourhood Watch be reported to the Police?

A – Report any incidents via 101 rather than contact individual police mobiles as crime can then be recorded, logged accurately and dealt with efficiently.

Q – Has the Range Rover stolen previously been recovered in recent Forest of Dean site?

A – Nothing as yet that it has been returned but if it was included at this recent site, it would take time to confirm safe return.

Q – Incidents reported to residents by Neighbourhood Watch do not give individual's details, how can we help victims?

A – Unfortunately cannot give any further details due to data protection and protection of individuals concerned.

Q - Resident asked for an update on an attempted entry to a house in Charfield which was reported to police on 101.

ACTION – PC Ken Hill will enquire via the local Beat team and provide an update.

Q – Is it anticipated that the speed camera in Wotton Road/Cromhall area will continue?

ACTION – PC Ken Hill will investigate and report at next meeting.

Q – Do you have any information regarding the recent incident near driveway at Cherry Rock Farm and why the traffic lights are still there (just after 2nd Bridge, Wickwar), where a motor vehicle damaged the hedge?

ACTION – Brian Gaches will investigate.

UPDATE POST-MEETING: SGC Streetworks checked but these are outside the South Gloucestershire border and therefore they have no information.

Q – It was reported that a number of agricultural vehicles in village have been sited driving on pavements endangering children. Can the speed limit be reduced to 20mph?

A – Residents were urged to report any incident to police via 101 to enable them to investigate.

Q – Is it possible to carry out speed watch checks in mandatory 20mph area? A white Audi has been seen repeatedly speeding in Hawkesbury area and can this take place at approximately 2.30pm during the week?

A – Brian Gaches had confirmed pre-meeting to Cllr Sue Hope that some Community Speed Watch patrols were authorised in 20mph zones. However responsibility for CSW passed to the police a couple of years ago and SGC do not have current information. CSW contact details had been supplied to Cllr Sue Hope.

Q – What action do the Police take once they receive a speed watch report?

A – A letter is sent to speeding vehicles and if repetitive will be followed-up by a home visit. However enforcement is not possible but is designed to educate the individuals.

Q – Have you any further information regarding the incident last week involving a VW van driving into a property?

A – Unfortunately due to current investigations the Police are unable to comment further but confirmed that no-one was injured or arrested.

5 Presentation/Q&A: Neighbourhood Watch Schemes – Trevor Wilmot (Avon & Somerset Policy/NHW Administrator)

Trevor Wilmot reported the following:

- Neighbourhood Watch is the largest voluntary group in the Country. Local residents get together and pass on crime prevention information and details of recent crimes daily.
- Residents living within a Neighbourhood Watch area are 6 times less likely to be victims of crime.
- Trevor Wilmot will pass on information regarding a crime to Neighbourhood Watch coordinators who in turn pass on to their contacts etc. Actual crimes are reported to residents in a positive way.
- Information given will include dates, time and type and description of event.

- Members of a Neighbourhood Watch scheme receive discount on their home insurance.
- Crime prevention/education leaflets were left for residents.

Q – How is the information distributed?

A – Via emails, local Parish magazine, Facebook.

Q – How do I start a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme in my area?

A – Brian Gaches mentioned that he had packs available should anyone be interested or can contact Trevor.

Q – If Charfield Parish Council decided to encourage the introduction of a Neighbourhood Watch scheme in their area would Trevor be happy to deliver a presentation to them?

A – Trevor Wilmot confirmed that he would be happy to.

Q – Do residents know which number to ring to report an incident i.e. phone scam?

A – Neighbourhood Watch scheme can do work to alert and educate individuals.

Q – How many Neighbourhood Watch schemes are there in the area?

A – 500 in South Glos and 5000 within Avon & Somerset area.

Q – Wickwar has a Neighbourhood Watch scheme but have not received messages for a while.

A – Neighbourhood Watch coordinator will speak to Trevor Wilmot after his presentation to rectify.

Q – What is the biggest barrier in your opinion, which prevents individuals setting up a Neighbourhood Watch scheme?

A – Perhaps the thought that a scheme would involve a group of older people and 'twitching curtains'. The use of social media may encourage younger people to become involved.

6 Updates from District Councillors/Parish Councils

Councillor John O'Neill reported:

- Speeding in the area an issue and requested relocation of speeding vehicle as it was recently repositioned.
- Hawkesbury is an area of natural beauty and promoted 'magnificent meadows'
- Sadly Anne Harris who deals with 'Green' issues and commons is leaving.
- Highlighted the Bus Services in Rural Areas questionnaire.
- Proposed Charfield pedestrian crossing should have been in place before any dwellings were occupied on the new development but encountered problems. Problems currently being resolved and should be in place within the next 2/3 weeks.

Q – Has anyone got a school travel plan?

A – Charfield has a 'walk to school' plan in place

Cllr John O'Neill, Police and Trevor Wilmot left @ 8.20pm.

7. Agree minutes of last meeting as a true record – 16th February 2017

These were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

8. Update of issues from previous meeting

a) See updates in Appendix 1.

9. Discuss Local Community Issues

Issue and location	Comments	Action
a) Flooding on B4058 in Rangeworthy	Recent flooding/blocked drain immediately to the front of the Community Woodland. Problem has been ongoing for a few years. It has been cleared in the past but is now a problem again.	Brian Gaches to report to SGC Streetcare
b) Patch Elm Lane – Poor state of repair	This was reported to SGC over 2 years ago when an assessment was made but no action was taken. It is alleged the road has significantly deteriorated since then. Heavy farm vehicles using this area regularly break road surface. A more substantial surface needs to be considered rather than just repair work.	Brian Gaches to report to SGC Streetcare
c) Parking outside Bagstone Garage	The number of vehicles allowed to park on forecourt is currently being exceeded which is forcing visitors to park on road which is causing a hazard. Possible breach of planning permission regarding number of vehicles parked onsite causing customer's cars to all be parked on the verge/road – particularly at weekend daytimes.	Brian Gaches to report to SGC Planning
d) Churchend Lane & Devil's Lane, Charfield – Reduce speed limit to 30mph	Current 60mph speed limits are unreasonable and need to be reduced to 30mph. SGC Highways procedure to consider any request to change speed limits must be submitted via the local SGC Councillor.	Cllr John O'Neill to assess.
e) B4058 Wotton Road, Charfield – Renew rumble strips by railway bridge.	Rumble strips falling to pieces and would like new more significant ones to be installed to enable approaching	Brian Gaches to report to SGC Streetcare

		vehicles to be aware of hazard and reduce speed.	
	f) Charfield Hill – Renew rumble strips on B4058 south of Charfield	Rumble strips worn at roundabout at top of hill on Charfield Road.	Brian Gaches to report to SGC Streetcare
	g) Consultation on supported bus services	A questionnaire has been recently issued regarding proposed changes to bus services within area.	The SGC website address will be included in the minutes (see below) https://consultations.southglos.gov.uk/consult.ti/BusNetworks/consultationHome
	h) Access from Tafarn Bach roundabout to Bus Stop on B4059	Clean Up Green Up Charfield Group (CUGUC) have offered to fund and maintain a path but this has not been approved by SGC CUGUC have attempted to carryout work regarding access to the bus stop. It is currently very difficult to access via the current footpath but SGC have rejected application due to Health and Safety concerns.	Brian Gaches to inform SGC of the support to CUGUC's plans from the Community Engagement Forum Update post-CEF meeting: The message/support from the meeting was passed to SGC Streetcare. Their response was; <i>"We have no real issue with the proposed plans to top soil the verge and carry out the temporary works to access the bus stop. Our issue is solely a safety issue. We are not happy having volunteers working on a verge very close to a very busy running carriageway. I have stressed this to the group and unless there is a change of traffic management procedures then the stance will remain the same."</i>
	i) Wind Turbine Cherry Rock Farm	There has been a noise complaint submitted by residents of the Common. As the wind turbine is sited outside South Glos border the CEF group will not take any further action.	
	j) Wickwar Downs Road - B4059 renewal of road markings at the junction with the B4058	Road markings in this area have not been replaced since resurfacing works.	Brian Gaches to report to SGC Streetcare
	k) Playground turtle stolen at Rangeworthy	It was reported that turtle has been stolen from playground in Rangeworthy which has also been reported to police.	

	l) Installation of new access gate next to railway bridge near Hall End Farm	A new gate has recently been installed to enable access to field to be used by Scouts. A recent application was submitted but thought to be declined due to safety.	
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10 Any other Business

Date, time and venue of next meeting: Thursday 5th October 2017, 7.30pm at Cromhall Chapel

Appendix 1

Updates on issues for Charfield, Cromhall, Tortworth, Falfield, Rangeworthy, Wickwar, Cotswold Edge north and west of A46 from the last meeting on 16th February 2017 (P = Priority):

a) Items carried forward from meetings prior to February 2017

	Issue / Location / Action	Update
P	1) Speeding through Cromhall Residents of Drew's Orchard noted speeds in excess of 40mph. Actions: Cllr O'Neill & SGC CE Officer to: • Consider a warning of 30mph • Consider "gates" entering village • Consider 3 camera vans • Rangeworthy/ Tortworth camera sign installation? • Permanent Smiley Face speedvisor requested	(See previous minutes for updates prior to February 2017) February 2017: The costs/benefits of this Investigation Scheme are being assessed by SGC Highways. The next stage will be decided in March when it will be agreed by Councillors which of the Investigation Schemes from 2016-17 will be taken forward and which will remain on the Local Transport Priority List for future consideration. April 2017: The installation of a permanent VAS (vehicle activated speed sign) was selected from the local Transport Priority List and will be installed during this financial year.
P	2) Country Style Supplies wood yard, Sodbury Road, Wickwar Concern due to the unsafe stacking of timber. Pictures supplied Action: Brian Gaches to liaise with Planning Enforcement at SGC.	(See previous minutes for updates prior to November 2016) November 2016: The application was refused to vary the conditions. SGC Planning have served a formal Breach of Condition Notice with a 3 month lead time to comply with the 2 metre height condition. March 2017: SGC Planning are to undertake a further site visit. The company have paid for pre application advice to have a small extension to the site that would then mean that materials would not be stacked to an excessive height. However, over half the site is not covered by a condition and materials can be stacked to any height and is beyond the control of planning enforcement legislation. SGC Planning are awaiting the results of that application from the SGC Development Management team. Update at CEF Meeting June 2017: Since the last meeting it was reported that the height of materials stacked nearer the road has been reduced but increased at the rear.

P	3) Road markings worn out, Wotton Road, Charfield The road markings 'SLOW' approaching the railway bridge on Wotton Road in Charfield from both directions needs attention as this is almost completely worn away. Action: Brian Gaches to report to SGC Streetcare.	October 2016: Request logged with SGC Streetcare under job ref FOE 561864. Update at CEF meeting 16th February: White lining on both sides of road has been renewed but 'SLOW' still to be carried out. May 2017: On SGC Streetcare Operations' work list – pending installation.
P	4) Speeding on B4060 Wickwar The 30mph zone in Wickwar stops before the railway bridge on the B4060 as you exit towards Kingswood. Shortly after the railway bridge is the boundary with Gloucestershire. Can the 30mph zone be extended until after 2nd railway bridge? Q – Can South Glos and Glos Councils liaise with each other? Actions: - Resident from Kingswood agreed to raise this with Kingswood PC. - Brian Gaches will refer to SGC Highways for their opinion/advice.	November 2016: SGC Highways have assessed this but would not recommend a 30mph speed limit on this stretch of road. There are many general factors taken into account in reaching this decision (costs, DFT advice on speed limits, priority sites in South Glos etc). Specific factors at this location include: - To reduce the speed limit to 30mph by signing alone may not be successful and other traffic calming measures would need to be introduced to achieve the reduced speeds i.e. reducing the speed from 60mph to 30mph. In a rural location, such as this length of B4060, this is not a simple matter as traffic calming features need to be illuminated and the stretch of Road from Station Road along the B4060 to Kingswood does not have a system of street lighting. - The Council's record of injury accidents for the last 3 years shows that there has been no injury accident recorded in the length of road from the start of the existing 30mph speed limit in Station Road to the County border and, whilst this is no reason to be complacent, it does make it difficult to justify diverting funds away from sites where injury accidents regularly occur. Update at CEF meeting 16th February: Pat Trull (Wickwar PC) reported that this area was unsafe for walkers and cyclists due to the volume and speed of traffic. Residents are unhappy about recent decision involving B4060. It was also mentioned that traffic calming measures can be introduced without the need of lights, similar to the traffic calming scheme in Coalpit Heath /Kendleshire Golf Club area. Action: Brian Gaches to inform SGC Highways Officer that residents were unhappy about recent decision and ask to investigate further in view of above observation.

		April 2017: SGC Highways advised that following approval of the 2017/18 Capital Programme, a prioritised investigation scheme has been selected (FV54) to develop Wickwar's Parish Plan. The Parish Plan includes:- • Investigating speed reduction and traffic management measures • Investigating parking issues in the High Street e.g. o/s Post Office • Investigating the creation of additional parking in The Buthay • Investigating Pedestrian and Cycle improvements
P	5) Danger from the parking of vehicles on the corner of road near Wickwar Youth Club Vans and cars are regularly parked on this bend forcing passing vehicles to cross centre line. Action: Brian Gaches will refer to SGC Highways to assess.	November 2016: Wickwar PC were advised of this response from SGC Highways; <i>Due to the rapid increase of the number of vehicles on the roads in recent years, an increasing number of complaints are received about parking from people who are aggrieved about parking habits. However, there is rarely an easy solution in these instances, as the Council have little authority to control where people park on unrestricted areas of public highways.</i> <i>In order to introduce waiting restrictions to prevent parking in Wickwar outside the Youth club, it would be necessary to carry out a legal statutory procedure to either introduce a new or amend the existing Traffic Regulation Order. Such a process takes in excess of 12 months, and this process is rarely carried out at single sites.</i> <i>For this reason it is often more effective to review an area rather than an individual street and this location would need to be added to our records so that when the council next review the waiting restrictions in your area your particular comments can be taken into account.</i> <i>A positive slant would be that vehicles entering Wickwar village would need to reduce their speed to negotiate overtaking the parked vehicles.</i> <i>The Council's record of injury accidents for the last 3 years shows that there has been one injury accident recorded in High Street in December 2013 which occurred in the vicinity of Buthay Lane.</i> Update at CEF meeting 16th February: Vans and cars are regularly parked on bend forcing passing vehicles to cross centre line. A pedestrian with a pram was forced to walk in the road as parked car was causing an obstruction. Pat Trull (Wickwar PC) reported that there has been 2 accidents in the location specified since Christmas. Action: Pat Trull will forward further information to Brian Gaches who will inform the SGC Highways Officer and request a further assessment.

	Action: Pat Trull to meet with Councillors within next couple of weeks. April 2017: SGC Highways advised that following approval of the 2017/18 Capital Programme, a prioritised investigation scheme has been selected (FV54) to develop Wickwar's Parish Plan. The Parish Plan includes:- • Investigating speed reduction and traffic management measures • Investigating parking issues in the High Street e.g. o/s Post Office • Investigating the creation of additional parking in The Buthay • Investigating Pedestrian and Cycle improvements
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c) New items raised at the Community Engagement Forum on 16th February 2017

6) Pat Trull (Wickwar PC) asked - How can residents contact the 'First Contact Scheme'? Action: Brian Gaches will investigate	Full details are available on the SGC website. This information was provided to Wickwar PC. http://www.southglos.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/care-for-adults/support-at-home/first-contact-scheme/
7) Increase in burglaries in Charfield & Wickwar Action: PC Dan Jones will ask PC Lee Bainbridge whether there was any particular trend to these burglaries	Police to update at the next meeting (see item no. 4 of main minutes).
8) Speeding lorry through Rangeworthy Photos were taken of recent incident involving speeding lorry through Rangeworthy. The vehicle lost control causing it to go down bank. . Action: If details/photos are sent to Brian Gaches he will review to assess whether any further action can be taken.	April/May 2017: Details of the incident were received from Rangeworthy PC and referred online to Hanson Aggregates. The enquiry was acknowledged with a request for the time/date/vehicle registration. Photos were sent to Hanson (no vehicle registration was obtained) – no further response received despite one reminder. Rangeworthy PC also wrote to Police requesting their mobile speed camera unit is used specifically at early a.m. and late p.m. rush hour. The Community Speed watch team also continue to patrol here.

9) Danger to drivers due to restricted visibility from a campervan parked at Station Road opposite The Sidings junction in Charfield. Action: Brian Gaches to arrange for SGC Highways Officer to review.	April/May 2017: SGC Highways Engineer has assessed the site and is considering extending the existing advisory white lines.
10) Emergency Services: Impact of changes to Yate Fire Station It has been decided that the number of firefighters in Yate Fire Station will be reduced but with the addition of two on-call overnight teams rather than just one. Will this be reviewed once the extra housing in the area has been completed? Action: Brian Gaches will refer to Avon Fire & Rescue.	Response from AF&R: The changes being implemented at Yate Fire Station are as a result of an analysis of the risk profile across the whole of the Avon Fire and Rescue Service (AF&RS) area. The station underwent a crewing model change in 2009 in anticipation of an increase in housing and the subsequent potential for an increase in incidents; however that potential did not materialise. In terms of potential future housing growth, our area risk assessment within the AF&RS' Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP 2016-2020) acknowledges such growth across our whole operational area as detailed in the West of England Joint Spatial Strategy. One of the underlying principles of our integrated risk management planning process is to remain organisationally agile to the changing risk profile and consider the best match of resources against demand. It is this continual review which has led to the current (2017) crewing model changes at Yate Fire Station and we will continue to undertake such reviews as our area develops over the medium-longer term. Further information on the IRMP can be found on our website: http://www.avonfire.gov.uk/
11) Neighbourhood Watch Schemes in the area and their function Action: Brian Gaches will contact Trevor Wilmot to ascertain what schemes are established in the area and what communications they receive. He would also pass any comments emailed to him from residents to Trevor Wilmot.	Trevor Wilmot will attend the next CEF meeting in June.

P	12) Parking of vehicles gaining access to the current shops in Manor Lane A resident expressed concerns regarding current parking problems in the area and submitted photos of vehicles regularly blocking her access to driveway. Action: Brian Gaches to contact SGC Highways Officer to request assessment of options	April 2017: SGC Highways Officer reviewed onsite and wrote two detailed emails to the resident. Key points included: • Advisory keep clear markings have in the past been one solution but tend not to use such markings any more for such situations as their proliferation and over-use does make them lose respect. They tend to be used now to protect junctions and those high impact situations where it would take too long to consider a scheme for permanent waiting restrictions. • Very little action that can be taken against vehicles delivering to retail outlets if they are not abusing existing waiting restrictions, are not parked wholly or partly on the pavement or are not causing direct obstruction to a resident – which can be addressed by the Police (if there is not enough room to pass by with a double buggy or a mobility scooter). • The details/communications will be kept and the location will be monitored for future consideration should there be a waiting restriction review of the area that may allow consideration of a more permanent solution.
P	13) Virgin Media works Pat Trull (Wickwar PC) reported many local complaints regarding the Virgin Media works in Wickwar. Who is the liaison contact to report poor repairs? How will the proposed works affect public transport? What are Virgin Media's plans beyond Wickwar and how will Parish council's be informed? Action: Pat Trull (Wickwar PC) will forward any information she has gathered to Brian Gaches. Brian Gaches will take forward via SGC/Virgin as appropriate	The key SGC contact details were established and the SGC Officers contacted Wickwar PC on 3rd March A resident had written to inform the group of ongoing problems with Virgin Media/Avonline/ETM (ETM are the people you see on the ground), and to bring to the attention of the group the contact details for Ms Vicky Gent SGC Streetworks manager 01454863693, vicky.gent@southglos.gov.uk
	Road subsidence/pothole on B4508 A road subsidence/pothole had been sited on the B4508 outside the garage on New Street junction in Charfield. Action: Brian Gaches to report to SGC Streetcare.	Logged with SGC Reference Number: 651955/Kirona log 128638 – for repairs as high priority. Update at CEF meeting June 2017: A sensor has recently been installed to log traffic for crossing.

Crest Nicholson Site During a recent Charfield Parish Council meeting it was mentioned that there was excess mud on road around this area and that a sweeper vehicle has recently visited area to rectify the problem. Concern was expressed for cyclists at the pitch point and change of speed limit from 30mph to 50mph. Wide vehicles i.e. coaches are also experiencing problems. Action: Chair, Mike Cheskin, will take photos of area and he will raise this via Charfield PC to review what access was agreed during planning	Chair, Mike Cheskin, to provide an update. Mike Cheskin reported the Charfield Parish Council dealt with the mud issue. It was further mentioned that the pitch point is no longer there and therefore topic is closed.
Horses and cyclists passing through the traffic lights at Wickwar Pat Trull (Wickwar PC) expressed concerns for cyclists and horse riders at traffic lights in Wickwar as they don't currently register to activate the traffic lights. It was mentioned this had been reviewed before by SGC but continuing concern prompts a further report. Brian Gaches to raise with SGC Highways.	April 2017: SGC Highways wrote to Wickwar PC: <i>'The existing traffic signal junction is over 30 years old and to update the junction to incorporate equipment to detect horses would not be easy and likely to require new ducting and in all likelihood a new traffic signal controller. Indicative costs for such works being approximately £25,000.</i> <i>Traffic signals with horse detection units have been installed in South Gloucestershire in locations where there is a large numbers of equestrian activity in crossing the road.</i> <i>To make changes to the existing traffic signal timings by increasing the 'green' period may aid horse-riders and cyclists, however will result in longer traffic queues on both approaches to the signals.'</i> SGC Highways are to meet with Wickwar PC to pursue in association with the other traffic/parking/highways issues in the Parish Plan. It has been agreed that this will form part of review.

South Gloucestershire

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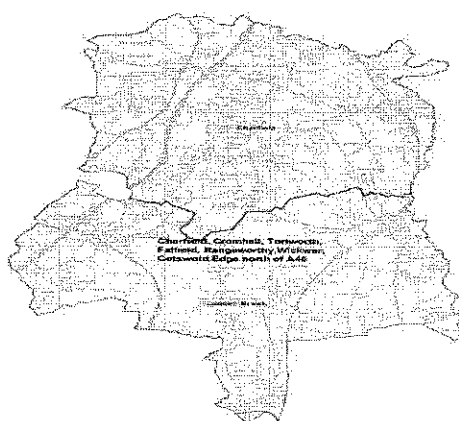
Fire Service Summary

June 2017

	Jun 2015	Jun 2016	Change	
	- May 2016	- May 2017		
Fire Deliberate vehicle fires:	1	1	0	Incidents:
Deliberate small fires:	3	1	-2	
Deliberate large non-vehicle fires:	20	17	-3	
Accidental dwelling fires:	1	3	2	
Other fire incidents:	21	15	-6	
Non-fire incidents:	18	17	-1	
False Alarm incidents:	71	72	1	
Total number of incidents attended:	135	126	-9	

Home fire safety visits	6
Education Institutions visits	2
Off Station Community Events	0

Neighbourhood Map:



The Community Engagement Forum are unique areas set up by the Local Authority, they do not match Ward areas. The incident and community safety information detailed below is for the Wards that most closely align with the Community Engagement Forum.

Community Fire Safety Activity:

Total of last Three months

Mar 2017 - May 2017

Station Managers report:

National Campaign Theme:

Now we are in the summer months Avon Fire & Rescue Service are working with the NHS and other key agencies to deliver outdoor safety messages in relation to the use of barbecues and camp fires.

How to contact us:

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