

Signpost at end of Swan Lane – The work had now been completed. It was agreed that the sign looked very nice indeed and that the Clerk should write a letter of thanks to Andy and John Nichols. It was also agreed that the Clerk should write to Highways regarding positioning a bell bollard on the corner of Swan Lane to prevent vehicles hitting the new signpost.

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Parish Litter/Refuse Clearing Days 2006 –Operational Hit Squad – Cllrs. Phillips and Grundy had assisted the Hit Squad. The Common was cleared, plus rubbish from Mill Road, Honeypot Lane, Well Lane and Swan Lane. It is possible that Furze Hill was done as well. Tess Wren of Chelmsford Borough Council will be reporting how much rubbish was collected in due course. Cllr. Grundy was impressed with the service and said that the Parish Council must ensure it is well planned next time. The Parish Council had the use of two vehicles and four staff which Cllr. Grundy thought was quite a facility.

Green in front of the Almshouses and the Track – Phil Hope was arranging to have a meeting with the Chairman and Gary Stringer to discuss the matter further. The track is privately owned and not highways land. In the meantime Brian Penny from the Refuse Department will be visiting the site this week and assessing alternatives for the lorries. The Chairman advised that she had spoken to Gary Stringer and he was very keen to have the meeting.

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Brickwork Crumbling on a Surface Water Drainage Pipe at the Entrance to the Pond in Mill Road – Phil Hope had advised the Clerk that he felt that to show Chelmsford Borough Council are willing to help the Parish Council, and as the pond is a central point in the village, he has put in an order to have the headwall repaired. The work has started but is not yet complete.

A Boards Outside Cock Pub in the Village - Cllr. Grundy had made some investigations. The landlord is allowed according to Town and Country Planning Act – Control of Advertising (Regulation 666/1992) 4.6metres of display space on his forecourt. The question is what is the landlord's forecourt – he has interpreted the whole of his front is his forecourt and others might disagree. This is what the Parish Council need to pursue and to do this they need expert advice from an independent source – maybe someone in the village. Cllr. Phillips agreed to look at an old Ordnance Survey Map. Cllr. Watling agreed to look at old photographs on the website and look for land registry information.

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Parish Paths Partnership (P3) – Please see item below.

Footpath 13, Swan Lane – Mr Sharp of Fristling Hall had contacted Tim Gardiner at Essex County Council advising that he does not want volunteers connected with Stock Parish Council working on his land. If the Parish Council proceeds with the work then Mr Sharp will take legal action. Mr Sharp does not mind local people walking footpaths on his land but he would rather not have them working on his land. Mr Sharp had no objection to Tim Gardiner organizing the work to be done by Highways. The work party had therefore been called off. In the meantime, Mr Sharp had informed Tim Gardiner that he is going to cut the entire length of the footpath, including the badly overgrown sections where it passes between his land and Mr Makings. Tim Gardiner will then get the Highways contractors to waymark the route.

Bulb Planting - Jackie Lane had received permission from Lord Petre to plant bulbs on the edge of the Common. Stock Primary School is keen to be involved with the bulb planting. NEAT will pay for the bulbs but Jackie Lane asked if the Parish Council would like to make a small donation towards the cost. It was agreed that the Parish Council would donate £30.00 towards the cost of the bulbs. The Parish Council would like a mixture of daffodil, crocus and narcissi bulbs to be planted. Jackie Lane advised that she would need to look at the site in Common Road and that she may have to get Park Services to prepare the site by taking off the turf and then the bulbs could be planted and then Parks Services would re-lay the turf over the top. Jackie Lane suggested that the bulbs by the pond be done as part of the pond project. Jackie Lane would provide posters advertising the scheme to get local residents involved in planting the bulbs. She also suggested putting an article in the parish magazine and writing to local groups inviting them to take part. Jackie Lane would oversee the project and provide the equipment.

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	<p>Pond in Mill Road – Jackie Lane had confirmed that Stock Primary School were very keen to be involved with the pond project and that they have confirmed a date of Thursday 2nd November. The British Trust of Conservation Volunteers will produce some posters advertising the project and local residents would also be invited to take part. A group of volunteers from BTCV will attend on the day and bring the necessary equipment. A ratio of 4 children to 1 adult is required in view of the nature of the work. Jackie Lane would hopefully provide 2 members of staff and hopefully the school can provide 2. BTCV volunteers, assisted by residents, would remove the Pennywort and weed from the pond. It is also suggested that a third of the pond is dredged (with remaining pond dredged in the next two years). Cllr. Johnson stated that she did not want the pond dredged and made deeper. The pond edges would be tidied and some invasive plants removed. Some new plants would be introduced to encourage wildlife. Some of the branches on one of the trees would be cut back if the Parish Council is in agreement. BCTV have suggested that it would benefit wildlife if a small section of grass is allowed to grow long and just cut once a year (corner of grass next to pond). It was agreed that the grass on the corner at the back of the pond on the track side, where it goes to the footpath, is left to grow long. Jackie Lane also thought it would be better if native bulbs were planted in a small area next to the pond rather than on the island, which has Health and Safety implications. Cllr. Johnson stated that there are enough bulbs around the pond already. BTCV have produced a report following their site survey. BTCV will also produce a report following the project. NEAT would meet the cost of BTCV and the crocus bulbs but wondered whether the Parish Council could meet the cost of the new plants which Jackie Lane could purchase via Parks Services at a good price. It was agreed that the Parish Council would pay for the plants. Jackie Lane has written to all residents in Thornton Place regarding the pond project. Parks Services have also offered to provide a vehicle on the day and their men will also help pull out weeds etc. Two weeks or so prior to the project day Jackie Lane will provide posters advertising the project and asking for volunteers. Cllr. Johnson and Clerk to contact Jackie Lane regarding matters raised.</p> <p>Downham Road Retexturing – Nothing further to report.</p> <p>Seat by the Bakers Arms – Cllr. Otter reported that the seat has now lost an arm and that it had been mentioned again to the Chairman of the Horticultural Society. Cllr. Johnson to mention it again to him.</p> <p>Police Community Support Officers – P.C. Graham Thomas had advised the Clerk that there are lots of parishes who are funding PCSO's, for example Boreham, Broomfield and Chelmer Partnership. He advised that Inspector Glenn Mayes will be able to give the Parish Council a list or may even contact them for the Parish Council. A letter had been received from South Hanningfield Parish Council advising that several months ago they had carried out a survey and a PCSO was not considered by local residents as they felt the level of crime was not justified and it was unreasonable to pay for this service. Cllr. Grundy advised that Margaretting had put the matter on their Agenda for the next meeting. Cllr. Johnson reported that she had visited Writtle and spoken to 11 people on the street who all praised their PCSO. She also visited shops and the shopkeepers all said it was a very good exercise. Cllr. Johnson felt that to see a policeman walking around the village would help to deter trouble. The Chairman suggested that a questionnaire is sent out to all residents to get their opinions. All agreed. Clerk to contact South Hanningfield Parish Council to obtain a copy of their questionnaire in order that the Parish Council can discuss at the next meeting. Clerk to contact Glenn Mayes to find out whether the Parish Council could choose their own PCSO or whether one is just allocated.</p> <p>Hedge Cutting at 2 Five Houses, Common Lane – Nothing further to report.</p> <p>Overgrown Footpaths – The Clerk had contacted Phil Hope about the overgrown footpaths in the village and he had notified the relevant department.</p> <p>Footpath in Swan Lane – The Clerk had written to Mr Livings at Essex County Council stating the Parish Council's observations. To-date no reply had been received. The Clerk had spoken to the owner of the Post Office, Mr Pervez and he had not heard anything more on the matter.</p>	<p>CLERK/SJ</p> <p>SJ</p> <p>CLERK</p>
<p>1535.</p>	<p>GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE.</p> <p>The following letters were read out:-</p> <p>a) Gerry Richardson inviting the Parish Council to see the Emergency Centre on the evening of Tuesday 24th October between 6.00pm and 9.00pm.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>

	<p>It was agreed that Cllrs. Otter, Phillips and Hale would attend. Clerk to notify Mr Richardson and find out exact location for Councillors to meet Mr Richardson.</p> <p>b) Sally Irvine, Corporate Strategy Officer, at Chelmsford Borough Council regarding Development of a Parish and Town Council Charter for Chelmsford. A consultation event will take place on Thursday 2nd November at the Civic Centre either between 3.30pm and 6pm or 7pm to 9.30pm. The questionnaire responses have to be returned by the initial consultation deadline of Tuesday 31st October. After discussion, it was agreed that an Extra Ordinary Meeting would be held on 16th October 2006 to discuss the document further. Clerk to prepare Agenda. Cllr. Otter asked the Clerk to find out what Rule of Procedure 46 is in Paragraph 16 of the document.</p> <p>c) Mrs Mary Couzens advising that she has tried to get Essex County Council or Chelmsford Borough Council to tidy up the B1007 around Lilystone Hall, Honeypot Lane, but has been informed that they do not have worksheets to do for that area. Mrs Couzens advised that for years the residents have carried out the work themselves and that it is now getting too dangerous for them to clear the mess up (weeds, car parts, bottles, cans etc). Mrs Couzens advised that vehicles come up the hill far too fast and the camber of the road puts the car straight into the fence, which has been knocked down at least 10 times in the last 12 years. Mrs Couzens has now forbidden any resident to carry out any more work. She advised that some cones or notices are needed when work is carried out. Mrs Couzens feels that Lilystone Hall is the forgotten part of the village. Earlier this year the residents paid £2,000.00 to have the hedge and trees cut in Honeypot Lane and they have just received another estimate for £1,000 from a tree surgeon to carry out work, which they do not want to accept if Chelmsford and Essex County Council are responsible. The Clerk had referred Mrs Couzens to Cllr. Grundy in order that he could investigate the matter further. Cllr. Phillips agreed to look to see whether there are Tree Preservation Orders on the trees.</p> <p>d) Mr Smart regarding the obstruction that is now getting worse on the footpath from the Old Coach House along past `Keys` and the Hoop Public House. Cars are permanently parked outside `Keys`, the rebuilt house next door and The Hoop. Pedestrians can squeeze by in single file but pushchairs, wheelchairs etc cannot. The corner post holding the chains has never been replaced since The Hoop rebuild and the hole left by the post is dangerous. The whole area of grass is now access for cars. There is a need for a footpath in Common Road from the Village Hall past Orchard House to link up with the surgery footpath. Cllr. Williams reported that cars are parked on the footpath all the time and that one post has been knocked out of the ground, which has got to be replaced quite urgently. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the owners of `Keys` advising that the Parish Council had received complaints and asking them if they could be a `good neighbour` and park more considerately by parking closer to their property to allow easier pedestrian, pushchair and bicycle access. Clerk also to write to Mr Smart.</p> <p>e) Kelly Kusel, PCCG Secretariat inviting Councillors to attend the Chelmsford Police and Community Consultative Group Public Meeting on Tuesday 10th October 2006. It was agreed that nobody would be attending from the Parish Council. Clerk to advise Ms. Kusel.</p> <p>f) Lita Smith, Democratic Services Officer, at Chelmsford Borough Council regarding Legal and Democratic Services Customer Survey on Committee Services. Completed questionnaire to be returned by 13th October 2006. It was agreed that the Parish Council would not be completing the questionnaire.</p> <p>g) Cllr. Otter reported that a consultation document regarding the proposal to close Intermediate Care Beds in Chelmsford and develop Community Services should be commented on. It was agreed that the Clerk should write back advising that the document had been sent out too late for the Parish Council to comment within the consultation period. The Parish Council understand that there will be a Collaborative Care Team and PCT but that they do not consider that these are in anyway sufficient to replace the Interim Care Ward.</p>	<p>CLERK</p> <p>CP</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p>
1536.	<p>PLANNING MATTERS.</p> <p>Tree Preservation Order No. 2006/67 – 59 Well Lane - A Tree Preservation Order was made on 24th August 2006. The reasons for the Order are as follows:- Both T1 and T2 are mature Oaks. They are both important trees in terms of wildlife and public amenity, as they can clearly be seen from the roadside and from the public footpath which runs through the field to the south of the property. It is believed that the owners of the property wish to clear the land to develop it, removing these two wonderful trees.</p>	

Bakers Arms Car Park – Cllr. Grundy had spoken to Paul Bohannon, Enforcement Officer expressing the Parish Council’s concerns of the length of time this undertaking is taking. Mr Bohannon implied that as people were parking on the grass verge were the Parish Council so concerned. Cllr. Grundy reiterated that it was part of the planning agreement, grass suggests ‘no parking’, it will soon be a mud bath and the Parish Council felt fobbed off over this issue. Paul Bohannon will now hasten the process with Mr Southgate to get the matter sorted out. The Chairman had asked the Clerk to contact Mr Bohannon to ascertain whether this means that an enforcement will be made to get the work done. To-date the Clerk had still not received a reply despite chasing the matter. The Chairman asked the Clerk to raise the matter with Cllr. Grundy, as she is very unhappy with the professionalism of Mr Bohannon.

CLERK

Brock Farm, Ingatestone Road, Application No. 06/00061/FUL and Enforcement No. 05/00214/ENFB – Neil Marshall, the Enforcement Officer, had advised that an appeal against the refusal of planning permission for retention of the bund has been made.

Anomalies to approve the demolition of bungalows at 50 & 71 Mill Road – Letter received from Ken Smith, Senior Planning Officer, advising that it is rare to find two sites that are identical and in this respect it is an established principle of planning control that each case is considered on its merits. Nevertheless, regard also needs to be had for general matters of consistency. Mr Smith has looked at the respective files for the two properties mentioned and in his opinion their circumstances are not comparable. It is therefore not appropriate to compare them for consistency purposes. Cllr. Otter did not agree with Mr Smith’s comments and stated that the letter had come from a Planning Officer and not David Green to whom the Clerk had written to. It was agreed that this matter would be brought up as part of the Parish Charter questionnaire as an example as to how Chelmsford Borough Council do not answer the Parish Council.

CLERK

Applications:-

Application No. 06/01724/FUL. Extension at roof level to convert existing chalet style house into full two storey dwelling.

CLERK

Location: Swan House, Swan Lane, Stock.

Applicant: Mrs E. Matthews.

The Parish commented that this is highly visually intrusive. Adverse visual impact from Swan Woods, Woodland Trust area. This will also adversely visually affect the properties in the High Street, which back onto this property. The Parish Council note that the neighbours have not been consulted.

Application No. 06/01730/FUL. Demolition of existing dwelling and ancillary buildings and erection of a new dwelling with detached double garage.

CLERK

Location: Thrift, Madles Lane, Stock.

Applicant: Alexander Andrew.

The Parish Council supported this application.

Application No. 06/01679/OUT. Revised application for erection of 1 no. dwelling (scale, layout, appearance and landscaping reserved matters).

CLERK

Location: Land Adjacent, 5 Dakyn Drive, Stock.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs M. Champion.

The Parish Council commented that the plans seem to indicate that the building proposed goes within the 12 metre exclusion zone, which is not drawn as a circle but has been flattened to allow for building. Surely the tree is endangered?

Application No. 06/01706/FUL. Extension to fishing lakes to form one, and creation of car park for fishing lakes.

CLERK

Location: Brock Farm, Ingatestone Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr R. Napp

The Parish Council commented that no reason is given as to why the applicant wants to extend – what business need? From the report it seems this would severely adversely affect the environment and associated wildlife. Putting in a footpath across a series of bridges is not appropriate. The creation of another bund along the footpath would be an alien feature. There is already a bund that is the subject of an appeal. It will be visually intrusive as the site can be seen from Billericay. The Parish Council cannot comment on the car park at this stage due to lack of clarity between the three plans but object in principle to the potential additional traffic down a very narrow and already busy lane. The Parish Council strongly object to this application.

Application No. 06/01774/FUL. Conversion of garage to study, at variance with the original condition.

Location: 3 The Paddock, Stock.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs A. Pepper

The Parish Council has no objections to this application.

CLERK

Application No. 06/01797/FUL. New outbuilding to form guest accommodation.

Location: 106 Mill Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Acors.

The Parish Council commented that this is massive over development. The height and the close proximity to the footpath (which is sunken) will make the footpath dark, dank and oppressive. Loss of character and amenity to the footpath. The Parish Council are concerned about additional traffic down a rural unmade up track containing the footpath.

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Application No. 06/01752/FUL. Single storey rear extension.

Location: Tiltings, 5 Mill Lane, Stock.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs A. Campbell.

The Parish Council has no objections to this application.

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Application No. 06/01493/FUL. Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of new detached two storey dwelling.

Location: 90 Mill Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr and Mrs Ringer. **Approved.**

Application No. 06/01446/FUL. Single storey rear extension.

Location: Charnwood House, 4 High Street, Stock.

Applicant: Mr S. Elgar. **Approved.**

Application No. 06/01442/FUL. Single storey side and rear extension.

Location: The Nook, 18 Common Road, Stock

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Silvester. **Approved.**

Application No. 06/01584/FUL. Erection of a timber framed conservatory.

Location: Pear Tree Cottage, 2 Garden End, Stock.

Applicant: Mr Warner and Mrs Parker. **Approved.**

Application No. 06/01499/FUL. Rear extensions and alterations.

Location: Green Loanings, Goatsmoor Lane, Stock.

Applicant: Dr. & Mrs Sarfraz. **Refused.**

Applications for Works to be carried out on trees in Conservation Area and trees that have Tree Preservation Orders.

Application No. 06/05137/TPO. Works to T2 Horse Chestnut.

Location: Nooky, The Paddock, Stock.

Applicant: Mrs M. Nicholls. **The Tree Warden had no comments to make.**

Application No. 06/05140/TPO. Remove basal suckers, remove dead wood and remove small limb of 1 x Horse Chestnut in front garden. Trim new growth of Hornbeam hedge on right hand side when facing the property. Both in A1 (TPO/1997/02).

Location: 8 Hereward Mount, Stock.

Applicant: Mr and Mrs Barclay. **The Tree Warden had no comments to make. Approved.**

Application No. 06/05133/TPO. T1 – Beech, remove dropping branches, T2 –Oak, crown reduce, T3 – Oak, crown lift and crown reduce, T4 – Oak, crown reduce and crown lift, T5 – Oak, crown reduce and remove lowest lateral over highway, T6 & T7 – 2 x Oaks, crown reduce and crown lift, T8 & T9, crown lift and crown reduce and T10 – Oak, crown reduce. (TPO/2001/01).

Location: 144 Mill Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Higgins. **Approved.**

	<p>Application No. 06/05120/TPO. Crown lift to 8m maximum cutting to branch collar Oak in W1 (TPO/2001/105). Location: 36 Birch Lane, Stock. Applicant: Mrs Harragan. Approved.</p> <p>Application No. 06/05116/TPO. Clean out deadwood and reduce length of branch overhanging boundary by 2m of T23 – Horse Chestnut and remove deadwood, crown thin by 10% by removing all crossing branches and weaker branches and crown lift to given clearance of 2.2m garden side of T24 – Oak (TPO 2001/117). Location: 2 Garden End, Stock. Applicant: Mr Warner and Mrs Parker. Approved.</p>																																																					
1537.	<p>FINANCE.</p> <p>Audit of Accounts for 2005/06 – Nothing further to report.</p> <p>Transfer of Funds – On the 22nd September £5,500.00 was transferred from the Base Rate Tracker Account to the Current Account.</p> <p>Cheques to be Signed - The following cheques were approved for payment and signed:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>101173</td> <td>£29.50</td> <td>Stock Village Hall</td> <td>Hire of Hall for Summer Playday</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101174</td> <td>£392.00</td> <td>Mark Henderson</td> <td>Grass Cutting Churchyard</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101175</td> <td>£115.00</td> <td>Bob Hale</td> <td>Erecting Noticeboards</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101176</td> <td>£560.98</td> <td>Wybone Limited</td> <td>New Litter Bin for Swan Woods</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101177</td> <td>£35.00</td> <td>A.J. Cullers</td> <td>Positioning and Fixing Screen in Village Hall</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101178</td> <td>£716.00</td> <td>Mr P.H. Williams</td> <td>Grass Cutting July and August</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101179</td> <td>£641.14</td> <td>Mrs L.J.Green</td> <td>Salary 1.09.06 – 30.09.06</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101180</td> <td>£242.39</td> <td>Inland Revenue Only</td> <td>PAYE and N.I.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101181</td> <td>£96.73</td> <td>Mrs L.J. Green</td> <td>Expenses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101182</td> <td>£2,040.00</td> <td>Andy Nichols</td> <td>Refurbishment of Swan Lane sign</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101183</td> <td>£267.00</td> <td>Bob Hale</td> <td>Erecting Gate and Fence on Swan Lane Footpath</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101184</td> <td>£3.56</td> <td>Mrs Wendy Elliott</td> <td>Key Cutting for screen in Village Hall</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101185</td> <td>£26.00</td> <td>CPRE</td> <td>Annual Subscription Renewal 2006/07</td> </tr> </table>	101173	£29.50	Stock Village Hall	Hire of Hall for Summer Playday	101174	£392.00	Mark Henderson	Grass Cutting Churchyard	101175	£115.00	Bob Hale	Erecting Noticeboards	101176	£560.98	Wybone Limited	New Litter Bin for Swan Woods	101177	£35.00	A.J. Cullers	Positioning and Fixing Screen in Village Hall	101178	£716.00	Mr P.H. Williams	Grass Cutting July and August	101179	£641.14	Mrs L.J.Green	Salary 1.09.06 – 30.09.06	101180	£242.39	Inland Revenue Only	PAYE and N.I.	101181	£96.73	Mrs L.J. Green	Expenses	101182	£2,040.00	Andy Nichols	Refurbishment of Swan Lane sign	101183	£267.00	Bob Hale	Erecting Gate and Fence on Swan Lane Footpath	101184	£3.56	Mrs Wendy Elliott	Key Cutting for screen in Village Hall	101185	£26.00	CPRE	Annual Subscription Renewal 2006/07	
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1538.	<p>P3 FOOTPATH REPRESENTATIVE.</p> <p>The Clerk reported that John Surgenor, the P3 Footpath Representative, had resigned. The Chairman advised that this was due to personal problems. Cllr. Hale expressed an interest in the position and the Chairman explained the work involved in being a P3 Representative. Cllr. Hale volunteered to become the Parish Council's P3 Representative and agreed to go on the First Aid Course and Risk Assessment Course. Clerk to contact Tim Gardiner to find out about the courses. The Chairman gave the P3 Information Manual to Cllr. Hale.</p> <p>Paula Cheesman, PROW Team Leader, had sent a Parish Paths Partnership Training Course Questionnaire 2006 to be completed. Cllr. Hale to complete and return to the Clerk.</p>	<p>CLERK/RH</p> <p>RH</p>																																																				
1539.	<p>VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT – GRASS CUTTING, MAINTENANCE, OPEN SPACES, FOOTPATHS, BUS SHELTERS AND PLAY AREA.</p> <p>A parishioner, Jenny Berkley, had advised that she was trying to produce a booklet of walks in Stock and that a meeting was being held on Wednesday to plan it. Galleywood Parish Council had produced a map in conjunction with P3. Mrs Berkley had been advised that she would have to approach P3 via the Parish Council. The Chairman agreed that Mrs Berkley had formally approached the Parish Council and that they were happy for her to proceed. It was thought that the Parish Council could get 50% of the cost of producing the pamphlet reimbursed if it was carried out via P3. The Parish Council agreed to let Mrs Berkley borrow the Definitive Footpath Maps of Stock.</p> <p>Report on Village Hall Meeting - Cllr. Williams gave the following report:-</p> <p>The Screen provided by the Parish Council is now up. Anyone wishing to use it should consult the Parish Council. It was agreed that the Clerk would put a sign up on the wall giving a contact number for the keyholder.</p>																																																					

	<p>The floor in the small hall is going to be resurfaced to be a hard floor in December. There has been a problem with replacing light tubes in the main hall, so it has been decided to purchase their own tower to facilitate this. The outside light has been changed to one with an automatic sensor. The sleepers in the car park are to be extended to prevent people driving onto the grass. Hirers are reminded to switch porch lights out. There is to be a designated fire assembly point and new fire regulations would be coming into force.</p> <p>The Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday 25th November.</p> <p>The Sub-Committee were challenged over a decision it had made relating to representation and discounts for some of the village societies, that maybe did not use the hall on a regular basis, or as often as some societies. This had upset those concerned. It was pointed out that these people had all been involved in a considerable amount of fund raising for the hall and that it was intended as a facility for the village as a whole. Requests were also made for minutes to be taken of the Sub-Committee. After discussion, it was agreed to review the matter at the next meeting in November. Cllr. Grundy said that he believes that the Sub-Committee had rescinded the letter sent out. The Chairman advised that she had received several complaints from parishioners about various matters relating to the Village Hall and the matter would be put on the Agenda for the next meeting.</p>	SE/CLERK
1540.	<p>TRAFFIC, ROAD SIGNS AND PASSENGER TRANSPORT.</p> <p>Cllr. Otter advised that she would be attending a Railway Seminar on the 20th October 2006 and a Passenger Transport Meeting on the 2nd November 2006. Cllr. Otter is going to raise the question of fares again at the meeting. Another Parish have raised the issue of evening transport and Cllr. Otter is waiting to see the outcome before raising the matter herself.</p> <p>Cllr. Otter also advised that she had received documents from Essex County Council regarding Accessibility Strategy, Railway Strategy, Bus Information Strategy and Passenger Transport Strategy.</p> <p>It had been reported by a parishioner that cars were still rat-running in Smallgains Lane. Clerk to write to Julie Martyn.</p>	CO CLERK
1541.	<p>REPORT BY CHELMSFORD BOROUGH COUNCILLOR IAN GRUNDY.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy apologised for arriving late to the meeting.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy reported that Horse Chestnuts seem to be having a problem with fungus at the moment. Cllr. Phillips advised that he has spoken to Lynn Cameron and it is not life threatening but just looks terrible. One tree has the disease in Back Lane. Cllr. Phillips to monitor the situation.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy advised that everyone should have had their plastic sacks delivered. He advised that there are plenty of green boxes and brown bins available at present. Recycling is going from strength to strength and cardboard collection should be in the village early next year. The service has been on trial in Great Baddow and is proving very successful.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy had been approached by parishioners regarding light aircraft in the village. He had contacted The Environmental Department who are looking at the matter but have advised residents to log any disturbances and monitor the situation.</p>	
1542.	<p>ESSEX RURAL HOUSING TRUST.</p> <p>The Plan has not yet been submitted because Essex Rural Housing Trust have been waiting and chasing the Highways Officer at Essex County Council for a response to their traffic surveys. They were promised a response last week but as yet it has not arrived. Anne Bishop hopes that by the Parish Council's next meeting they will have been able to submit the planning application to Chelmsford Borough Council.</p>	
1543.	<p>STOCK VILLAGE ACTION PLAN/VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT.</p> <p>Cllr. Johnson reported that a meeting had been held which proved very successful. Mr Paul Fenwick showed slides of photographs his photographer had taken from all around the village. Some areas had not been photographed and Mr Fenwick agreed to now take photographs of these places. The next meeting will be held on 18th October 2006. The intention now is to broaden the group and put out as much information through Stock Press and the website to get more people involved.</p>	

1544.	<p>DATES OF MEETINGS FOR 2007.</p> <p>The dates were all agreed for the ordinary meetings. Clerk to find another hall to hold Annual Parish Meeting and set date.</p>	CLERK
1545.	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING.</p> <p>The next Meeting of the Parish Council is on Monday 30th October 2006 at 7.30pm.</p>	
1546.	<p>CLOSED MEETING FOR OPENING TENDERS.</p> <p>Cllr. Hale left the meeting as he had a financial interest in the tenders.</p> <p>Replacing posts and getting the chains painted outside The Hoop – Quotations had been received from Andy Nichols, B.G.P. Engineering and Bob Hale. The quotations were discussed and it was agreed that Andy Nichols would be given the contract for the chains and Bob Hale the contract for painting the posts. As a matter of urgency, Clerk to ask Bob Hale to repair the post that had been knocked down recently.</p> <p>Trees on Common - The quotations received from King & Co. and D.F. Clark were discussed. It was agreed that the Parish Council would wait for the stumps to be ground out and then the Parish Council would buy and plant the trees themselves.</p> <p>Grinding out Stumps on Common - Quotations had been received from Timbertec and Green Man. After discussion, it was agreed that the contract should be given to Green Man. Clerk to contact Green Man. The Clerk advised that Cllr. Phillips had received permission from Lord Petre to have the work carried out.</p> <p>Litterbin in Swan Lane (opposite Swan Woods) – Quotations had been received from Bob Hale and Willben's. After discussion, it was agreed that the contract should be given to Bob Hale. Clerk to contact Bob Hale.</p> <p>Seat by the pond – Quotations had been received from Bob Hale and Willben's. After discussion, it was agreed that the contract should be given to Bob Hale. Clerk to contact Bob Hale.</p>	<p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p>

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming; the meeting closed at 10.55pm.

Signed (CHAIRMAN).....DATE.....