

STOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 26TH FEBRUARY 2007 AT STOCK VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM.

Present: Cllrs. Johnson, Elliott, Watling, Tully, Otter and Phillips
In The Chair: Cllr. Easton
Minute Secretary: Lorraine Green
Also Present: 6 Members of the Public, Chelmsford Borough Cllr. Ian Grundy and P.C. Anthony DeVries

		ACTION
1619.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Cllr. Hale sent his apologies.	
1620.	MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 29TH JANUARY 2007. The Minutes of the Meeting, having been previously circulated, were then duly signed as a true record of events. All agreed.	
1621.	PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2007. The Clerk had advertised on the noticeboard, website and Stock Press that she now had the Nomination papers for anyone wishing to stand for Election.	
1622.	POLICE MATTERS. The Mobile Police Station came to the village on 7 th February and a few people attended. The Station will be in Stock between 3.00pm and 5.30pm on the following dates:- Wednesday 7 th March 2007 Wednesday 4 th April 2007 Wednesday 2 nd May 2007 Wednesday 6 th June 2007 The Clerk had advertised these dates on the website, noticeboard and in Stock Press. P.C. DeVries reported that there had been some criminal damage in the village. There had also been thefts from lockers at Greenwoods, which resulted in someone having their car stolen. PCSO Carey had sent the Clerk a copy of an E-mail received from Adam Pipe updating her on various outstanding matters. As regards the Pedestrian Guard Rail in Swan Lane with the junction of the High Street, there is insufficient clearance to place a pedestrian guard rail around this junction. A guard rail was suggested as part of safer journeys to school programme to be placed in Swan Lane at a point where the children exit the school. A decision was taken that there was no desire for one to be placed at this point. However, as part of the programme the footpath was widened around the school in Swan Lane. The Clerk advised that Inspector Callow was due to attend the Governor's meeting at Stock Primary School to discuss the matter. Clerk to contact Stock Primary School to find out the outcome of the meeting and put forward the Parish Council's support. As regards waiting restrictions, the police force would support the introduction of junction protection at locations discussed and await further instructions from the Parish Council. Cllr. Elliott reported that it had been suggested that yellow lines are put around The Square, by the brick bus shelter, to stop people parking. P.C. DeVries said that if yellow lines were painted then the police could patrol these areas. Another suggestion P.C. DeVries had was zig zag lines then the police could issue a £30 ticket if someone parked on them. It was agreed that the matter would be raised at the APM to get parishioners thoughts on the matter.	CLERK

Green in front of the Almshouses and the Track – The Clerk had spoken to Lord Petre who gave his permission for the work to be carried out. Cllr. Grundy and Gary Stringer had attended a further site meeting with the Contractors. Gary Stringer had re-drawn the plan, which had been submitted to Jamie Cole at Chelmsford Borough Council. It was agreed that the Contractors should now be told to go ahead. Clerk to contact Maple Landscapes.

CLERK

Resurfacing of Common Lane - Phil Hope had advised the Clerk that in this instance due to the narrow nature of the road it was not possible to continue the treatment further along the Lane without risking damage to property boundaries. The treatment used is a cost effective carriageway improvement process which uses machinery and plant of a certain size which can unfortunately preclude treatment of particularly narrow sections of road. Phil Hope was pleased to advise, however, that improvement of the remainder of the Lane using a different process is scheduled to be carried out in the new financial year and residents will be written to in advance of the works progressing.

Wheelie Bins on the Pavement on the Corner of Mill Road/High Street - Cllr. Grundy had advised the Clerk that the matter had been resolved.

Erection of Guardrails Outside Stock Primary School - See under Police Matters.

Democratic Time at Meetings and People With Disabilities - Cllr. Watling felt that the sign should be re-worded to 'If you have a disability that prevents you from taking part please make the Chairperson aware' rather than 'please come directly to the Chairperson' and suggested that it was shown to The Royal Society for the Blind/Deaf for their approval. After this suggestion had been circulated, Cllr. Otter thought 'prevents you from taking part' might be better phrased as 'affects your participation' or 'affects your taking part'. After discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council would not proceed with the sign any further.

Annual Just Bin It Campaign – The Clerk had sent the necessary forms back to Jackie Lane and now had to organise the skip. The Clerk had advertised the event on the noticeboard, website and in Stock Press.

CLERK

Proposed Changes to The East of England Plan – Cllr. Otter was concerned at a clause that suggests proposals to substitute Green Belt. Cllr. Grundy advised that in the document there is an option to move Green Belt or substitute it. Cllr. Grundy advised that Chelmsford Borough Council were very concerned, as the infrastructure had not been granted to what Chelmsford Borough Council would have liked. Cllr. Grundy advised that there was a meeting at CBC that evening and it was agreed that the Parish Council should await the outcome of that meeting and then possibly support the Chelmsford Borough Council response. The closing date for comments was 9th March 2007. It was therefore agreed that once Chelmsford Borough Council's comments are known, the Chairman should send in a response and report back at the next meeting.

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Lord Petre's Letter Regarding Bay Cottage, High Street –Cllr. Grundy advised that Paul Fenwick is able to park 1 yard in front of his property. It was agreed that the parking situation was a matter for Lord Petre to sort out with the owner and that the Parish Council could not comment. Clerk to write in this regard.

CLERK

The Post Office Network Consultation – Cllr. Phillips had completed the necessary forms and had circulated them to all Councillors. It was agreed that Cllr. Phillips should send in the following response. It is based on either a one size fits all or several sizes fit everyone strategy when there are different criteria applying in each case. In the case of Stock if our village Post Office/shop closes any savings that may be gained in food prices will be offset by the cost of travelling to and from the nearest post office and supermarket. We are being urged to go green!

CP

The criteria proposed does not take into account that those furthest from a Post Office may be those who most need easy access to them and would be least able to get to a post office if it was further away

Allow Post Offices the opportunity to provide more services, such as selling bus/coach/ rail tickets in rural areas. Allow them to act as agents for banks/building societies. Let post offices process television licence applications and renewals. Encourage the traditional business of post offices such as the payment of benefits and the renewal of car tax.

	<p>If community ownership will save a rural post office -yes. If Stock Post Office were to be threatened and community ownership was the only way to save it we are totally in favour of it.</p> <p>Essex County Council Essex and Minerals Waste Framework Consultation – Cllr. Otter, having read the document, stated that she did not advise a formal response from Stock Parish Council.</p> <p>Broken Kissing Gate on Footpath at the back of The Catholic Church where Footpaths 28,29 & 30 meet - Cllr. Johnson advised that she had the metal and that it needed welding. The Chairman asked the Clerk to contact Bob Hale and ask him to look at the gate.</p> <p>Tree/Shrub Planting on Footpaths, in particular Footpaths 30 & 33 - The Clerk had written to Shirley Lucas, The Public Rights of Way Officer. Ms. Lucas advised that she is unable to stop people from planting trees/shrubs on their land. The plastic is likely to be tree guards. The purpose of tree guards is to protect the saplings in their first years of growth from hungry mammals. The owners will generally remove these when the trees are of an age able to withstand the pressure of grazing. However, if the owners did not remove them Ms. Lucas would not be able to do anything as people may do as they please on their own land. Should the trees obstruct the path then Ms. Lucas would inform the landowner and ask them that they trim back their trees, otherwise there are no grounds for her to become involved.</p> <p>Reinstatement of Verge and Post in Mill Lane - The Clerk had written to Mr May of 33 Mill Lane asking him to reinstate the verge and the post by the doggy bin. Cllr. Elliott advised that Mr May is still parking on the verge.</p> <p>Keep Clear Sign Outside The Hoop - The Clerk had advised Phil Hope at Essex County Council that the Parish Council were in agreement with his proposal.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>1624.</p>	<p>GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE.</p> <p>The following letters were read out:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Tim Gardiner, Public Rights of Way Officer, advising that Shirley Lucas, the Chelmsford Rights of Way Officer, would like to know of any Rights of Way work that the Parish Council would like done in the Parish. Jenny Berkley had given the Clerk a copy of a list of work that she considered needing doing that had been sent to Ms. Lucas. b) Cyril King of Essex County Council Highways advising that while poles are replaced, Whites Hill will be closed between its junction with Mill Road and its junction with Madles Lane. The restriction will come into force on Monday 26th March 2007 and will remain for up to 5 days. The diversion route for vehicles will be via Mill Road, Well Lane, Madles Lane and vice versa. c) John Symonds, advising that the Centenary World Jamboree for Scouts will be held in Hylands Park from 27th July 2007 to 8th August 2007. One of the major activities which are part of the Jamboree is the ‘Starburst’ community action programme. The Jamboree organisers are still keen to identify a large number of potential projects for Starburst. The matter was discussed. Cllr. Grundy suggested that maybe a project could be carried out in Swan Woods. Cllr. Johnson also suggested Cygnet Woods. Clerk to contact Dennis Andrews at Woodland Trust. d) Claire Cornwell, Community Sports Development Officer, at Chelmsford Borough Council regarding the Parish Sports Programme for the Easter and Whitsun Holidays. The Clerk passed the letter to Cllr. Tully to deal with. e) Kelly Kusel, PCCG Secretariat, at Essex Police Authority Police and Community Consultative Group inviting the Parish Council to the next public meeting at 7.30pm on the 22nd March 2007 at Champions Manor, South Woodham Ferrers. f) Paul Rowsell of Communities and Local Government regarding A Revised Model Code of Conduct for Local Authority Members. Consultation responses due back by 9th March 2007. It was agreed that the document should be passed around to Councillors via the black bag. Any comments to be made to the Clerk by 7th March. g) Angela Balcombe, Parish Information and Co-ordination Officer, at Essex County Council regarding a press release on behalf of the Library Services. 	<p>CLERK</p> <p>AT</p> <p>ALL</p>

	<p>Essex County Council's Cabinet have approved a set of revised criteria for mobile library provision across the county.</p> <p>h) Mrs Helen Watkins asking for a dangerous metal grip, that used to be part of a rubbish bin, to be removed from under the Willow tree outside 21 Mill Road. It was agreed that the Clerk should ask Cllr. Hale to remove the metal object. Cllr. Elliott also asked the Clerk to get Cllr. Hale to repair the missing post. Clerk to write back to Mrs Watkins advising that the Parish Council are looking at getting the metal removed as soon as possible.</p> <p>i) Derek Stebbing, Planning Policy Manager, of Chelmsford Borough Council regarding Chelmsford Town Centre Area Action Plan – Alternative Sites Consultation. The Parish Council had no further comments to make.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>1625.</p>	<p>PLANNING MATTERS.</p> <p>Moat House, 15 Mill Road, Stock - A letter had been received from Neil Marshall, Planning Enforcement Officer, advising that he had now had the opportunity to visit the site and review the planning history of the property. With regard to the placing of the fence, he has noted that it is not continuous along the building line but stands closer to the highway. If there is an issue of encroachment then it is a matter for the Highways Department of Essex County Council to consider. Mr Marshall has therefore passed the details onto them for their attention. Mr Marshall has written to the owner of the property advising them of their permitted development rights with regard to the height of any fencing adjacent to the highway. As there are no breaches of planning control, no further action will be taken by the Planning Department and the file will be closed.</p> <p>Bakers Arms Car Park – Mr Bohannon had advised the Clerk that Mr Southgate has appointed contactors and the car parking spaces will be completed by the end of March. The only slight difference that should be noted is that the base will be shingle and not tarmac. This change has been agreed by Planning.</p> <p>18 The Square, Stock - Neil Marshall had advised the Clerk that following an inspection of the site, and a discussion with Highways Department at Essex County Council, it would appear that two issues need to be addressed. The issue of encroachment will be dealt with directly by Highways and Mr Marshall understands that they will contact the owner. The second issue is the height of the railings. As these are over 1 metre in height, and adjacent to the highway, Mr Marshall has written to the owner requesting that they either be reduced in height to one metre or less or a planning application be submitted for the retention of the current height. Mr Marshall advised that the complaint is still under active investigation and he is making every effort to resolve the situation with co-operation with those involved. Mr Marshall will write to the Parish Council again when the Council has either agreed to take formal action, or they are in a position where no further action appears to be necessary or possible.</p> <p>It was reported that there are posts standing up in the open space at the back end of the old newsagents. It was agreed that the Councillors would look at the site and report back at the next meeting.</p> <p>36 Birch Lane, Planning Application No. 06/02362/FUL – Cllr. Grundy reported that he had spoken to Mr Green at Chelmsford Borough Council who advised that he reads all his mail and then passes it to the appropriate person and he then agrees the replies. The issue in question had a tree report and had that not been positive then the application would probably have been refused.</p> <p>Notification of Appeal by Mr & Mrs B. Barnes of Birley Cottage, Stock Road, Application No. 06/02032/FUL, Appeal Reference No. APP/W1525/A/07/2036849/WF. Clerk to write to Inspectorate asking for a copy of the Appeal decision and endorse previous comments.</p> <p>Appeal by Mr Robert Napp – Site at Brock Farm, Ingatestone Road – Appeal Ref. APP/W1525/A/06/2026121/NWF. The Appeal was dismissed by the Planning Inspectorate. The Clerk was asked to contact the Enforcement Team to find out when the bund is being removed.</p> <p>Land South of Woodholme, Goatsmoor Lane - Chelmsford Borough Council have taken direct action to clear the land South of Woodholme, Goatsmoor Lane.</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p>

Electronic Consultations for Planning Applications – Clerk to consolidate comments made by Councillors regarding the new system and draft a letter to Chelmsford Borough Council.

CLERK

Applications

Application No. 07/00125/FUL. Two storey rear extension, replacement single storey extension and new double garage.

CLERK

Location: Kings Villa, Stock Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mrs P. Healey

The Parish Council commented that this is not compliant with Green Belt policy.

Application No. 07/00162/FUL. Demolish outbuildings, convert existing property to 3 no. 2 bed units with minor first floor additions. Construct new 1 no. 2 bed unit to rear together with new carport area.

CLERK/CP

Location: 38A High Street, Stock.

Applicant: Mr G. Heley.

The Parish Council submitted objections regarding loss of historic building and architectural features, siting of proposed dwelling, access, traffic and parking. Detrimental effect of the proposal on the character of the building and Conservation Area. The Chairman asked Cllr. Phillips to find out whether the wall in Back Lane behind the shooting range is listed and if not he should find out how to get it listed together with the building.

Application No. 07/00198/LBC. Replacement windows and doors to rear elevation in timber painted white.

CLERK

Location: 17 High Street, Stock.

Applicant: Mr S. McIntyre.

The Parish Council had no comments to make.

Application No. 07/00279/FUL. Rear Conservatory.

CLERK

Location: 7 Brookmans Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Sherringham.

The Parish Council had no comments to make.

Application No. 07/00320/FUL. Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2 no. detached dwellings.

CLERK

Location: 132 Mill Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs J. Arber.

The Parish Council submitted objections regarding siting, design and dominance of the proposed dwellings. Harm to the character of the area.

Results

Application No. 06/02516/FUL. Alterations, roof extension, including dormers and construction of new chimney stack.

Location: The Ramblers, Furze Lane, Stock.

Applicant: Mr. B. Cuthbert. **Approved.**

Application No. 06/02437/FUL. Remove roof to part of dwelling and construct replacement second storey with new hipped roof and front gable.

Location: 4 Rectory Close, Stock.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs J. Houlder. **Refused.**

Application No. 06/02449/FUL. Garden Shed.

Location: 3 Hereward Mount, Stock.

Applicant: Mark Bailham. **Approved.**

Application No. 06/02402/CLEUD. Change of use of land and buildings from agricultural to equestrian.

Location: Imphy Hall, Back Lane, Stock.

Applicant: Eileen Ward. **Approved.**

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

	<p>Application No. 07/05036/TPO. A1 – Oak x 1, on side boundary with Honeypot Lane, overhanging 9 Hereward Mount, shorten back limb over boundary to no. 9 and clean out dead wood over garden to no. 9 (TPO/1997/02). Location: 1 Hereward Mount, Stock. Applicant: Mr Beaver. The Tree Warden had no comments to make. Approved.</p> <p>Application No. 07/05035/TPO. A1 – Oaks x 7, on boundary to Honeypot Lane, crown lift all 7 trees to maximum 5m, crown reduce over garden by maximum 4m to give clearance and clean out dead wood. (TPO/1997/02). Location: 9 Hereward Mount, Stock. Applicant: Mr Beaver. The Tree Warden had no comments to make. Approved.</p> <p>Application No. 07/05507/CAT. Pine tree on right hand side of the garden, cut back overhanging branches over swimming pool and pool house. Location: 6 High Street, Stock. Applicant: W.J. Braby The Tree Warden had no comments to make.</p> <p>Application No. 07/05047/TPO. T2 – Silver Birch, in front garden – fell to ground. (TPO/1990/02) Location: 53 Birch Lane, Stock. Applicant: Mrs B. Sayer. The Tree Warden had no objections provided that a suitable replacement tree is replanted in its place. Can it be possible to trim the tree rather than fell it? If that is possible the Tree Warden would prefer that.</p> <p>Application No. 07/05009/TPO. A1 – Horse Chestnut in rear garden, crown reduce by 20% maximum to tidy, balance and re-shape. A1 – Acer in rear garden, sever ivy, remove odd dead stem and lightly prune to re-balance. A1 – 1x London Plane, 1 x Acer and 1 x Horse Chestnut in front garden, crown reduce by 20% maximum (2m), cutting to suitable growing points, clean out dead wood, shape over to leave a natural profile. (TPO/1997/02) Location: 5 Hereward Mount, Stock. Applicant: Mr Hughes. Approved.</p>																									
1626.	<p>CHELMSFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL – SUBMISSION OF TWO DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENTS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND PUBLICATIONS OF THREE DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENTS FOR CONSULTATION.</p> <p>A letter had been received from Derek Stebbing, Planning Policy Manager, of Chelmsford Borough Council acknowledging the Parish Council’s representations.</p>																									
1627.	<p>FINANCE.</p> <p>Cheques to be Signed - The following cheques were approved for payment and signed:</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="232 1323 1260 1507"> <tr> <td>101219</td> <td>£863.78</td> <td>Mrs L.J.Green</td> <td>Salary 1.02.07 – 28.02.07</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101220</td> <td>£394.67</td> <td>Inland Revenue Only</td> <td>PAYE and N.I.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101221</td> <td>£127.30</td> <td>Mrs L.J. Green</td> <td>Expenses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101222</td> <td>£1,150.00</td> <td>Stock Village Hall</td> <td>Hire of Hall and Rent of Office for 2007</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101223</td> <td>£182.00</td> <td>Cirtrik</td> <td>Work to Clerk’s Computer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101224</td> <td>£43.00</td> <td>Mr P.H. Williams</td> <td>Grass Cutting for January</td> </tr> </table> <p>Transfer of Funds – On the 26th February 2007 £3,000.00 was transferred from the Base Rate Tracker Account to the Current Account.</p> <p>Cricket Club Contribution for Grass Cutting 2006 - The Clerk had worked out the figure, which amounted to £273.33, and had prepared an invoice accordingly.</p>	101219	£863.78	Mrs L.J.Green	Salary 1.02.07 – 28.02.07	101220	£394.67	Inland Revenue Only	PAYE and N.I.	101221	£127.30	Mrs L.J. Green	Expenses	101222	£1,150.00	Stock Village Hall	Hire of Hall and Rent of Office for 2007	101223	£182.00	Cirtrik	Work to Clerk’s Computer	101224	£43.00	Mr P.H. Williams	Grass Cutting for January	
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1628.	<p>VILLAGE HALL.</p> <p>Cllr. Phillips was appointed as Fire Officer for the Parish Council and was handed the Fire Register.</p> <p>It was reported that the letter ‘L’ had fallen off the Village Hall sign. Cllr. Elliott advised that it was being replaced.</p>																									

1629.	<p>BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION AND VILLAGE IN BLOOM.</p> <p>The Best Kept Village Competition Entry forms had been received. The matter was discussed and it was agreed that the village would enter this competition. Cllrs. Johnson and Elliott agreed to organise. Cllr. Johnson agreed to speak to the Gardening Society and ask them to bring the matter up at their AGM.</p>	SJ/WE
1630.	<p>VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT – GRASS CUTTING, MAINTENANCE, OPEN SPACES, FOOTPATHS, BUS SHELTERS AND PLAY AREA.</p> <p>Cllr. Watling reported that he had received a request from a parishioner about clearing up the leaves on the footpath along Mill Road past Hope Farm. Clerk to contact Hit Squad.</p> <p>A letter had been received from Mr Williams of Blackwater Landscapes thanking the Parish Council for renewing his contract. Mr Williams would like to set up a meeting with the Tree Warden to discuss the possibility of cutting back a few more of the trees within the Parish, which have become a nuisance for cutting the grass. Cllr. Phillips to contact Mr Williams.</p> <p>Wicksteed Leisure had written regarding the Annual Safety Inspection of the Play Equipment. The Chairman asked the Clerk to check with Chelmsford Borough Council whether the Parish Council has a legal obligation to have a Risk Assessment and DDA Assessment carried out.</p> <p>A parishioner, Jenny Berkley, reported that the ditch has not been cleaned on Footpath 26 where it joins Brittons Lane and the footpath is falling into the ditch and it is very muddy and slippery. Clerk to report to Public Rights of Way Officer.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy advised that Mary Couzens of Lilystone Hall had reported that the footpath coming up Stock Hill going to Billericay is full of debris and the opposite side is full of beer cans etc. Clerk to contact Hit Squad.</p> <p>Cllr. Johnson reported that a tree has fallen down and is blocking the stile on Footpath 26 (Footpath from Marigold Lane to Well Lane). Clerk to report to Public Rights of Way Officer.</p> <p>Cllr. Otter enquired as to what was happening regarding the planting of trees around the Common. Cllr. Johnson agreed to order the trees.</p>	<p>CLERK</p> <p>CP</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>SJ</p>
1631.	<p>TRAFFIC, ROAD SIGNS AND PASSENGER TRANSPORT.</p> <p>Cllr. Otter advised that the Park and Ride bus fare had been increased by 331/3rd to £2.00 per person as from the 5th March. The Parish Council thought that this was a very large increase and it was agreed that the Clerk should write to Rodney Bass at Essex County Council for an explanation.</p> <p>It was reported that all Chelmsford Borough Council car park fees had been frozen.</p> <p>It was reported that the new bollard outside Serge Pervez's front door, on the corner of Swan Lane, had been knocked down and there was now a hole in the ground. Clerk to report to Highways.</p>	<p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p>
1632.	<p>REPORT BY CHELMSFORD BOROUGH COUNCILLOR IAN GRUNDY.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy advised that the brown bin collection would start on 5th March 2007. Cardboard collection is to be reviewed in six months. Bus passes which expire on 31st March 2007 will automatically be renewed. There will be an Open Day at Hylands House on the 8th and 9th April to celebrate the opening of the stable block that has been restored.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy advised that Great Baddow Parish Council had written to Chelmer Housing Partnership and had obtained a grant for their Village Design Statement. It was agreed that the Clerk should make enquiries and apply.</p>	CLERK
1633.	<p>ESSEX RURAL HOUSING TRUST.</p> <p>The proposed scheme is being considered by the Planning Committee at Chelmsford Borough Council on Tuesday 27th February 2007 at 7pm. Cllr. Grundy advised that he would be attending. Cllr. Grundy advised that seven or eight parishioners had written in, three of which had been approving the scheme. The number of parking spaces has now been increased to 17. Some adjustments had been made following parishioners concerns. Cllr. Grundy advised that the application has received the Planning Officer's recommendation. Under the S106 agreement Essex Rural Housing Trust have been asked to give approximately £4,990.00.</p>	

	Cllr. Grundy has asked for the money to be used for the benefit of the village.	
1634.	STOCK VILLAGE ACTION PLAN/VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT. The next meeting is to be held on 7 th March in Stock Primary School. It was reported that the last meeting had not been well attended and only Committee members had been present. A photographic day is to be held. Cllr. Otter advised that she had attended the West Hanningfield Village Design Statement with Mr Otter.	
1635.	ANNUAL PARISH MEETING. The Chairman asked the Councillors to advise her of any issues they wished to see in the Chairman's Report.	ALL
1636.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING. The next Meeting of the Parish Council is on Monday 26 th March 2007 at 7.30pm.	
1637.	CLOSED MEETING FOR OPENING TENDERS. No tenders to discuss.	

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming; the meeting closed at 9.40pm.

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