

STOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2008 AT STOCK VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM.

Present: Cllrs. Millernas, Elliott, Phillips, Watling, Woodward, Finch, Otter and Rilstone
In The Chair: Cllr. Johnson
Minute Secretary: Lorraine Green
Also Present: 5 Members of the Public and Chelmsford Borough Cllr. Ian Grundy

		ACTION
1861.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. There were no apologies.	
1862.	MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28TH JANUARY 2008. The Minutes of the Meeting, having been previously circulated, were then duly signed as a true record of events. All agreed.	
1863.	POLICE MATTERS. Unfortunately the Police were unable to attend the meeting however, they asked the Clerk to make parishioners aware of the following things: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bogus Callers: As of previous meetings, Bogus Callers are about ensure that if anyone attends your property you ask for identification, and in places verify this by ringing their employer. Even if this is a Police Officer!• Theft of Lead: Things regarding this have died down and recently have been very quiet.• The Mobile Police Station: Unfortunately due to sickness the Mobile Police Station will not be operational this month. However do bear with us this situation will be sorted as soon as possible.	
1864.	REPORT BY PERSONNEL COMMITTEE. The Chairman advised that the Committee had met and a letter had been sent to the person concerned. The next meeting will be held on 3 rd March, which is the date a reply should be received by. The matter is in hand.	
1865.	CASUAL VACANCY FOLLOWING RESIGNATION OF CLLR. LAURA-JAYNE COTTEY AND CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR. The vacancy had been advertised for the required amount of time and Brian Mayfield of Chelmsford Borough Council had confirmed that nobody had requested an Election. The Parish Council were therefore able to co-opt. Cllr. Phillips proposed that Adrian Rilstone be co-opted. This was seconded by Cllr. Millernas. A vote was taken and the majority agreed that Adrian Rilstone should be co-opted. Cllr. Rilstone signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form. The Clerk gave Cllr. Rilstone the necessary information folder and informed him that he had to return the Register of Members Interest form to her within 28 days.	CLERK/AR
1866.	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES. Tree Warden Scheme – The trees had been planted on the Common. It was agreed that further trees should be ordered and planted around the village. It was agreed to discuss the matter under closed tenders. Cllr. Otter enquired as to whether a grant would be obtained. Cllr. Phillips to look into situation. Cllr. Phillips advised that a tree had been planted outside Cllr. Millernas' cottage.	CP

<p>Parish Paths Partnership (P3) – Footpath 7 - Cllr. Finch had been advised by Shirley Lucas that it is not their policy to put down wire netting. The path is dangerous and the stairway has been erected without the landowners’ permission and he wants it removed. The situation will be monitored and hardcore may be put down. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Shirley Lucas expressing the Parish Council’s objection to the removal of the stairway and stressing that it is a very boggy area and that the bridge has been there for a very long time. It is a public footpath and it has nothing to do with the landowner. Cllr. Millernas to contact Essex Ramblers Association regarding the matter. Footpath 26 has been cleared and Cllr. Finch has still not looked at the rail that is missing on the bridge on Footpath 33.</p>	<p>CLERK/JM/CF</p>
<p>Footpath Map for Stock – Cllr. Millernas advised that a meeting had been held and the map had been sent back for the next draft. A few alterations had to be made.</p>	
<p>Downham Road Retexturing – Works progressed last week, however there are still some minor areas requiring attention. Highways are liaising with the contractor.</p>	
<p>Erection of a Small Timber Plaque by Memorial Bench on Green in front of the Almshouses and the Track – Nothing further to report. Clerk to contact Chelmsford Borough Council regarding emptying the rubbish bin outside The Almshouses.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>Erection of Guardrails Outside Stock Primary School – The work had now been completed.</p>	
<p>Wicksteed Leisure Annual Safety Inspection – Clerk to contact Laura-Jayne Cottey for information.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>Water Running Out of Ditch at Junction of Mill Road/Downham Road – Nothing further to report.</p>	
<p>Lights in Bus Shelters – The Clerk had the matter in hand.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>Listing of War Memorial – Nothing further to report.</p>	
<p>Signs which are positioned along the footpath at Crondon Park Golf Course – Nothing further to report. It was agreed that the item could be removed from the Agenda.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>Pot Holes in The Square, Common Road and other roads in village – Cllr. Millernas had attended a site meeting with Phil Hope from Highways and had shown him all the problems in the village. The Square is a 3-4 priority. The big holes in Common Road have been filled in. Phil Hope had taken note of all the other holes in the village, i.e. Smallgains Lane, Well Lane, School Lane and Back Lane.</p>	
<p>Projector Screen – The new screen had now been fitted. Clerk organising insurance claim.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>Ownership and Maintenance of the land North of Hereward Grange between Honeypot Lane and the Stock Road – The Chairman felt that people would not use the area without a car park. It was agreed to campaign for a parking area before advertising the area. Clerk to speak to Cllr. Grundy. It was reported that residents have encroached on part of the Council land. Cllr. Grundy confirmed that this was an official deal.</p>	<p>CLERK/IG</p>
<p>Sign at The Cock Inn – Item to be removed from Agenda.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>Chelmsford Borough Council’s Mobile Information Service - Nothing further to report.</p>	
<p>Fence that abuts Lilystone Hall – The fence has now been erected.</p>	
<p>Pond at Thornton Place – Chairman to speak to Jackie Lane at Chelmsford Borough Council.</p>	<p>SJ</p>
<p>Car Park on the Common – Cllr. Woodward to arrange a meeting with Cricket Club and Parish Council to discuss matter further.</p>	<p>PW</p>
<p>Asbestos, alcohol, condoms and needles on the footpath by the chicken hut in Back Lane opposite Makins – Clerk still waiting to hear from Chelmsford Borough Council.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>

<p>Bus Shelter Signs – Cllr. Millernas to put signs up this week.</p>	<p>JM</p>
<p>Mr and Mrs Marett regarding vehicular entrance to and exit from their home at Compass Green, High Street – Clerk had sent a copy of the letter to Highways.</p>	
<p>Speed Indicator Signs – Discuss at next meeting with Highways.</p>	<p>ALL</p>
<p>Samir Pandya of Essex County Council offering to attend a Parish Council meeting – To attend meeting on 31st March 2008.</p>	
<p>Maintenance Works to area in the vicinity of Furze Lane junction at the southern end of the Lane – Nothing further to report.</p>	
<p>Stock Cricket Club’s Request to erect a fence on Common – Cllr. Woodward discussed the matter with the Parish Council. The Cricket Club were very worried and it was felt that the best idea would be moving the play equipment towards the footpath away from the Common. Various suggestions were made as to where to place the equipment, ie. on the piece of land between Mill Lane and Common Road, at the new area at Harvard Grange and on the new football field in Downham Road. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Planning, Wicksteed and Essex Playing Fields Association for advice. Cllr. Phillips to contact The Bishop regarding the field behind the Catholic Church.</p>	<p>CLERK/CP</p>
<p>Essex County Council’s Community Initiatives Fund – The Clerk advised that any grant application had to be in by May 2008.</p>	
<p>Condition of the pavements, kerbstones etc in Faulkner Close – Nothing further to report.</p>	
<p>Loose kerbstone by the main kerb on the corner of Swan Lane and the B1007 - Kerb has been re-laid.</p>	
<p>Re-Marking Zebra Crossing in High Street – The Crossing has been inspected and added to the list for recovery. There are however, a significant number of lining jobs on the list and these are being worked through in order of priority. The process is very weather sensitive and can only be carried out in drier conditions and as usual at this time of year there is a hefty backlog of work outstanding</p>	
<p>Annual Just Bin It Campaign - Clerk had sent the forms to Jackie Lane, Neat Officer, at Chelmsford Borough Council and had organised the skip. The Clerk had also put adverts on the noticeboard, website and in Stock Press.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>Summer Play Activity Days 2008 – Clerk and Cllr. Woodward to organise.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>Plastic Bottle Bags – The delivery had been made to the office. Clerk to put adverts on the noticeboard, website and in Stock Press. Posters had also been received which were to be put on the noticeboard.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>Weight Restriction on B1007 - Clerk had contacted Trading Standards Monitoring Officer who advised that enforcement could only be carried out on existing weight restricted roads. Clerk advised to contact Highways and Cllr. Grundy, which she had done.</p>	
<p>Proposed Traffic Schemes – It was agreed to discuss with Highways at the next meeting.</p>	<p>ALL</p>
<p>DIY Graffiti Removal Kits - The Clerk had ordered the Kit and was awaiting delivery. The course would be arranged in due course.</p>	
<p>Listing of the Old National School – Cllr. Phillips had written to English Heritage. Cllr. Phillips to contact English Heritage for an update.</p>	<p>CP</p>
<p>A For Sale notice on the greensward in Mill Road rather than the curtilage of the property – Cllr. Woodward had spoken to the owner.</p>	

1867.	<p>GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE.</p> <p>The following letters were read out:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Mrs Julie Lloyd-Gane of Stock Pre-School informing the Parish Council of their intended expansion project into Stock Primary School and asking for the Parish Council's support. Clerk to write back advising that the Parish Council have submitted their comments to Chelmsford Borough Council's Planning Department. b) Carol Barbone of Stop Stansted Expansion asking to make a presentation on the forthcoming battle against BAA's second runway plans. There were varying views on the expansion. It was agreed that the Parish Council did not wish to have a presentation but that they were happy to put information onto the website and into Stock Press. Clerk to contact Mrs Barbone. c) Stock Surgery thanking the Parish Council for the donation. d) Mr Osib of Greenwoods informing that Cherrytree Cottages 1,2 and 3 and the surrounding land are no longer the property of Greenwoods Estate Essex Ltd. The properties and land are owned by Kathleen West. e) Judy Williams of Birch Lane regarding Cherry Tree Cottages advising that rumours were circulating that the land was to be sold. This is in the Green Belt and also within the Conservation Area. f) Katherine Eglington of Chelmsford Borough Council inviting the Parish Council to the Chelmsford Partnership Conference on Thursday 24th April at Anglia Ruskin University. Nobody wished to attend. g) Kirsty Monk of RCCE inviting the Parish Council to attend a Playing Fields and Play Areas Seminar on 6th March at Great Baddow Millennium Community Centre. As nobody was able to attend, Clerk to ask for a copy of the meeting notes. h) Teresa Dyson of EEAC advising that on 17th January Government passed through Parliament that people over 70 who are home owners or privately renting tenants can receive free insulation on their properties regardless of their savings or income. Affordable Energy managed by Climate Energy are also able to advise on grants. Mrs Dyson is the Manager of the Advice Centre and is happy to attend any events to give advice free of charge. The Chairman agreed to pass the documentation to Margaret Carter to give to the Over 60's Club. i) Lee Boulton, Manager Airspace Planning, at NATS regarding Terminal Control North – Proposed Changes to Airspace. The consultation begins on 21st February and closes on 22nd May 2008. A series of leaflets and a DVD were supplied. Clerk to put DVD in black post bag and distribute leaflets. 	<p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>SJ</p> <p>CLERK</p>
1868.	<p>CHELMSFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL – LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK.</p> <p>Ryan De'Ath, Communications Officer at Chelmsford Borough Council, advised that on 20th February 2008 Chelmsford Borough Council formally adopted its new Core Strategy and Development Control Policies Development Plan Document. This new strategic plan will guide all future planning and development in the borough up to the year 2021.</p> <p>Formal acknowledgements had been received for the Parish Council's representations on the Site Allocations Issues and Options Consultation Document and North Chelmsford Area Action Plan Issues and Options Consultation Document.</p>	

1869.	<p>ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL – PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST – A CONSULTATION ON THE FUTURE DIRECTION OF ADULT SOCIAL CARE IN ESSEX.</p> <p>A letter had been received from Suzie Ward of Essex County Council regarding the consultation document detailing proposals for the future of Adult Social Care in Essex. A public meeting will be held on 27th February at Central Baptist Church in Chelmsford. Cllr. Otter stated that this was an important document. Cllr. Rilstone agreed to look at the documentation.</p>	AR
1870.	<p>STOCK PRESS ARTICLES.</p> <p>The Chairman had been asked by the Editors of Stock Press to put an article into the magazine every month on the Parish Council’s work. The Chairman suggested that the Councillors take it in turns to write an article each month. All agreed. Cllr. Grundy already writes articles. Cllr. Phillips to write first article.</p>	ALL
1871.	<p>PLANNING MATTERS.</p> <p>Gardenfields House, Downham Road - Nothing to report.</p> <p>Temple Farm - Nothing to report.</p> <p>Online Planning - Cllr. Watling dealing with matter.</p> <p>71 Mill Road – Despite the Parish Council’s objections, the application had been approved. Cllr. Woodward stated that this created a precedent. Cllr. Otter stated that No 3 Common Road is referred to in the plans. Cllr. Otter stated that she had advised the Parish Council that she did not think that planning permission had been received for these gates but the matter had not been pursued.</p> <p>New Build at 50 Mill Road, Stock - Clerk had written to Chelmsford Borough Council. No reply had been received to-date.</p> <p>Notification of Appeal by Mr P. Murphy of 35 Mill Road – Proposed side garage. Application Ref. No. 07/01526/FUL. Appeal Ref. APP/W1525/A/08/2063834/WF. Clerk to write to Planning Inspectorate endorsing Parish Council’s previous comments and requesting a copy of the Appeal decision.</p> <p>Green Tiles, 3 Common Road – Cllr. Woodward had asked the Clerk to contact the Planning Department to ascertain whether planning permission had been granted for the electric sliding gates. Mr Hosegood in Planning is fairly sure that no front gates were agreed as part of the application or in approval of boundary treatments under the relevant condition. An investigation is therefore being made.</p> <p>Introduction of 1 APP and Local Validation Checklists – Requirements for Supporting Information Submitted with Applications for Planning Permission – A letter had been received from Roy Leavitt, Head of Environmental Planning, at Essex County Council regarding the consultation. Comments to be made by 27th March. The Parish Council had no comments to make and agreed to follow Essex County Council’s guidance.</p> <p><u>Applications</u></p> <p>Application No. 08/00134/FUL. New Classroom. Location: Stock Church of England Primary School, Swan Lane, Stock. Applicant: Stock Pre-School – Mrs J. Lloyd-Gane The Parish Council commented that the previous comments made by them on application no. 06/00474/FUL on 31st March 2006 and 28th June 2006 still apply.</p> <p>The site is completely land locked with no vehicle access and no parking provision for teaching staff or parents. The Parish Council suspect that parking will occur in Dakyn Drive which is accessed by a one-way bottle neck at Back Lane or a really narrow School Lane, both of which are used by elderly residents. It is a short-term approach to use a portacabin to replace a permanent building in the Village Hall and therefore stirring up long-term problems. The Village Hall, the current venue, was recently built to the highest specifications, particularly for the demands of the Pre-School. The Village Hall has more than adequate parking. The Parish Council note the comments of the Governors on the educational advantages of the proposal.</p>	<p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p>

The new Village Hall provides secure accommodation for the Pre-School with ample off street parking. There is an outdoor play area for the Pre-School at the Village Hall as well as a garden area for the children. The new Village Hall is a permanent facility specifically designed with the Pre-School in mind. Moving the Pre-School to the Primary School would increase vehicle movements in the area and affect road safety in the area. The viability of the Village Hall becomes threatened. The School playground playing fields would become a divided site with reduced potential for sports and multi sport use of the site. Sports facilities are at a premium and must be preserved.

The Parish Council are concerned at the greater take of land impinging on the running track. Parking at the Bear Public House may not be viable for a long period as the landlord might change hands in the future.

Application No. 08/00030/FUL. Use of garden land for occasional functions no more than three times a year.

Location: Great Prestons Farm, Great Prestons Lane, Stock.

Applicant: Mr Simon Lyster.

The Parish Council commented that their main concern would be the amount of cars using the narrow lane. How is this going to be enforced?

CLERK

Application No. 08/00130/FUL. Single storey rear extension linking main house to garage, two storey front extension and front porch.

Location: 6 Thornton Place, Stock.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs O'Boyle.

The Parish Council commented that the plans are incorrect. The side elevations do not marry with the front elevation. All houses in Thornton Place are brick - it is proposed that this is rendered. This is totally inappropriate. The house next door, which is rendered, is in Mill Road not Thornton Place.

CLERK

Application No. 08/00272/FUL. Replacement dwelling.

Location: Fairfields, Marigold Lane, Stock.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs K Squibb.

The Parish Council commented that the previous comments made on planning application numbers 07/01761/FUL and 07/02363/FUL still apply. The proposed dwelling is taller than the existing and presents a more solid bulky built form than the existing. Note the greater volume at the first floor level that would be visually intrusive on this conspicuous site.

CLERK

Application No. 08/00214/FUL. Installation of a swim-spa in rear garden.

Location: Fitzwilliam House, Ingatestone Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr Regan.

The Parish Council have no comments to make.

CLERK

Application No. 08/00285/FUL. Part single, part two storey side extension to form new double garage. Demolition of existing conservatory to construct a single storey rear extension. Remove two dormers to front and replace with one large dormer.

Location: 25 Mill Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr And Mrs J Canlopez.

The Parish Council commented that their only concern is the parking situation, which could cause additional parking on Mill Road.

CLERK

Application No. 08/00132/FUL. Replacement dwelling.

Location: Bluebell Cottage, Furze Lane, Stock.

Applicant: Mr S Hindi.

The Parish Council commented that they objected, as it is a new build in an agricultural field in the Green Belt. This is inappropriate development in the Green Belt. It is of gross harm to the openness of the land. The applicant refers to it as a striking form in an open rural setting. It would damage the rural character and amenity of the area. It is in the middle of Footpath 53. Another concern would be the future use of the existing plot.

CLERK

Application No. 08/00226/FUL. Two storey side extension, alteration to existing dormer and provision of additional dormers. New vehicular access to Great Prestons Lane.

Location: Petty Royds Downham Road Stock.

Applicant: P. Mears.

As the plans had not arrived in time for the meeting the Clerk had arranged a deferral with Chelmsford Borough Council to the next meeting.

CLERK

Results

Application No. 07/02404/FUL. Two storey side extension, first floor rear extension, formation of pitched roof over rear flat roof, porch canopy and widening of existing crossover.

Location: 120 Mill Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mrs P.J. Davison. **Approved.**

Application No. 07/02223/FUL. 2m high gates entrance with brick piers, new garden and wood store and a 2m high timber close boarded fence.

Location: New Build at 71 Mill Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr Vernon Tickel. **Approved.**

Application No. 07/02476/FUL. Ground floor rear extension.

Location: 22 Brookmans Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr Coleman. **Approved.**

Application No. 08/00006/FUL. Two storey rear extension and single and two side extensions.

Location: 33 Well Lane, Stock.

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

Application No. 07/02494/FUL. Raising roof of chalet bungalow and addition of dormers and conservatory at rear.

Location: Commonside, 16 Common Lane, Stock.

Applicant: Mr D. Lewis. **Approved.**

Application No. 07/02368/ADV. Pole mounted non-illuminated projecting sign.

Location: Whiteholme, Furze Lane, Stock.

Applicant: Paul Lovewell. **Refused.**

Application No. 07/02414/CLOPUD. New Cart Lodge and External Store.

Location: New Build at 50 Mill Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr R. Hale. **Approved.**

Application No. 08/00062/FUL. Rear Conservatory.

Location: Woodlands, Mill Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs J. Kendrick. **Approved.**

Application No. 07/02444/CLOPUD. Proposed replacement detached garage.

Location: Gardenfields House, Downham Road, Stock.

Applicant: Mr G. Hunter. **Refused.**

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

Application No. 08/05502/CAT. Oak to front of property – remove dead wood; Willow x 2 to South – remove top branches; Birch to South – fell; 5 x Maple South East – crown lift to 3 metres; Cherry to East – fell; Hazel to West - fell.

Location: 4 Rectory Close, Stock.

Applicant: Mr James Houlder. **The Tree Warden had no comments to make.**

1872.

FINANCE.

Cheques to be Signed - The following cheques were approved for payment and signed:

101328	£1,143.00	Stock Village Hall	Hire of Hall and Rent of Office for 2008
101329	£1,050.16	Mrs L.J.Green	Salary 01.02.08 – 29.02.08
101330	£527.22	Inland Revenue Only	PAYE and N.I.
101331	£507.60	Thomsons	Supply and Install Projector Screen
101332	£128.31	Mrs L.J. Green	Expenses 29.01.08 – 25.02.08

Transfer of Funds – No transfers had been carried.

	<p>Cricket Club and Stock United F.C. Contribution for Grass Cutting 2007 – A cheque for £413.33 had been received from Stock Cricket Club and £206.67 from Stock United F.C. A letter had been received from Stock Cricket Club regarding the increase in cost for grass cutting.</p> <p>Appointment of External Auditor – A letter had been received from the Audit Commission advising of the appointment of Alun Williams as External Auditors.</p> <p>EALC – AON – EALC had confirmed that an agreement had been reached with AON to give Parish Council's a 15% reduction in their insurance premiums. EALC to forward details of how to claim discount when available.</p>	
1873.	<p>VILLAGE HALL.</p> <p>The next meeting to be held on 3rd March 2008.</p>	
1874.	<p>BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION AND VILLAGE IN BLOOM.</p> <p>The forms had been received for the Best Kept Village Competition. Chairman and Cllr. Millernas to meet to discuss and organise entry.</p> <p>The Village in Bloom is to be discussed at the Gardening Society Committee meeting on the 5th March 2008.</p>	<p>SJ/JM</p> <p>SJ</p>
1875.	<p>VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT – GRASS CUTTING, MAINTENANCE, OPEN SPACES, FOOTPATHS, BUS SHELTERS AND PLAY AREA.</p> <p>Cllr. Elliott reported that there are a lot of potholes in Downham Road – one is opposite Harvard House and there are two large potholes outside the last house on the road by the double bend before Whitelillies. Clerk to speak to Phil Hope asking him to contact Cllr. Elliott for a site meeting.</p> <p>Cllr. Watling advised that he had been approached by some parishioners asking for Common Lane to be re-named to its original name of Workhouse Lane.</p>	CLERK
1876.	<p>TRAFFIC, ROAD SIGNS AND PASSENGER TRANSPORT.</p> <p>Cllr. Otter had still not heard anything regarding the complaint regarding the 100 bus service.</p> <p>Cllr. Otter reported that there will be changes to bus passes on 1st April 2008 when concessions are going to be allowed throughout England which will start at 9.30am and finish at 11pm. Essex and Southend are allowing the passes to be used from 9.00am. There are extra charges involved - The Government have given some money but it does not cover the costs. Some Councils are stating that the passes can be used from 9.00am, i.e. Maldon, but Chelmsford are saying use from 9.30am. Brentwood Council are currently undecided. There are concerns regarding companion bus passes, which Chelmsford are allowing but other authorities are not.</p>	
1877.	<p>REPORT BY CHELMSFORD BOROUGH COUNCILLOR IAN GRUNDY.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy reported that the national bus scheme will start at 9.30am in Chelmsford. The scheme was brought forward to 9.00am but it was costing Chelmsford Borough Council too much money. The scheme is going national in April, which is going to cost an awful lot more money.</p> <p>After four/five years The Secretary of State has given the LDF his blessing, which is good news for Stock as it preserves the Green Belt. This gives an opportunity to get weight restrictions on the B1007 but it does also give the green light to the Temple Farm development, which is good news for the Borough.</p> <p>There have been a lot of concerns over the swimming pool and diving boards etc. Riverside is going to be redeveloped and is currently out to developers for tender. The reason for doing away with the outdoor swimming pool is that it is costing a lot of money.</p> <p>The Audit Commission are currently inspecting the Borough, which will rate Chelmsford as a good or excellent Council.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy thought that as Highways were coming to the next meeting it was an excellent opportunity for the Parish Council to put forward their views on the roads etc.</p>	

1878.	STOCK VILLAGE ACTION PLAN/VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT. Cllr. Phillips advised that the questionnaires are to be sent out in the near future and something will be presented at the Flower Festival in June.	
1879.	RISK ASSESSMENT. Cllr. Phillips had carried out an assessment.	
1880.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING. The next Meeting of the Parish Council is on Monday 31 st March 2008 at 7.30pm in the Rectory Hall.	
1881.	CLOSED MEETING FOR OPENING TENDERS. The quotation for trees was discussed. Cllr. Phillips had spoken to King and Co and their quotation of £361.18 including delivery, stakes and trees was approved. Cllr. Phillips to order.	CP

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming; the meeting closed at 10.20pm.

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