

STOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 28TH MARCH 2011 AT THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION HALL, COMMON ROAD, STOCK AT 7.30PM.

Present: *Cllrs. Phillips, Woodward, Finch, Hawkes, Rilstone and Otter*
Minute Secretary: *Mrs Lorraine Green*
In The Chair: *Cllr. Millernas*
Also Present: *3 Members of the Public and CBC Cllr. Ian Grundy*

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2517.	DEMOCRATIC TIME: Cllr. Woodward had spoken to Joy Darby of the EALC to ascertain whether, as President of the Cricket Club, he was allowed to speak regarding the planning application for cricket nets which was on the Agenda for discussion. He had been advised that he could speak during Democratic Time but as he had an interest could not speak when the application was discussed. Cllr. Woodward advised that no trees would be taken away. The nets would be positioned at the bottom of the Common adjacent to the play area. The fencing would be the same. The nets were for the children of the Colts as if the Cricket Club do not have good enough net facilities then they will go elsewhere to play.	
2518.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Cllrs. Dixon and Johnson and PCSO Kay Fleming sent their apologies.	
2519.	MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28TH FEBRUARY 2011. It was agreed that the sentence ‘Cllr. Otter did not approve the minute even as amended’ was inserted in Minute 2505. Minutes of the Meeting held on 31 st January 2011. It was agreed that the following wording would be put into Minute 2509, General Correspondence, item o:- ‘Cllr. Otter did not consider that the meeting was applicable to Stock but that she would attend if the Parish Council wanted her to. It was decided that she should not attend.’ It was agreed that the following wording would be put in Minute 2511, Finance, Budget and Precept 2011:- ‘Cllr Otter said that having raised the precept by 33% in 2009 (but when the loss of the Parish Revenue Support Grant was also taken into consideration it equated to an increase of 50%), the Parish Council should reduce its’ costs. The chairman responded that the increase had been in 2009 and this subject had been discussed on occasions since and needed no further discussion. In fact Cllr Otters’ statement is incorrect as the impact on Stock parishioners, and the income to Stock PC, was 33% and not 50%. Cllr Otter added that currently approximately 67% of the budget is spent on admin, 28% on front line services leaving just 5% spare capacity, and suggested only sending e-mails to Councillors once/twice a week to reduce costs. This was considered and it was concluded that it would be as time consuming to do this as sending out emails individually and the council rejected this suggestion. Cllr Otter also suggested précising the minutes would be a way to reduce admin time/costs. Other Councillors responded that it was Cllr Otter who always sought the detail in the minutes. This was not discussed further.’ The Minutes of the Meeting, having been previously circulated, were then duly signed as a true record of events.	

2520.	<p>DECLARING ANY PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS.</p> <p>Cllrs. Phillips and Rilstone advised that they were members of the Heritage Society. Cllr. Phillips was also a volunteer at The Mill. Cllr. Finch advised that he was the Treasurer of the Royal British Legion Hall. Cllr. Woodward declared an interest in Planning Application No. 11/00370/FUL.</p>	
2521.	<p>POLICE MATTERS.</p> <p>PCSO Fleming sent her apologies and asked the Clerk to report the following:-</p> <p>3 March - Dakyn Drive - Burglary Dwelling Cash stolen during the day nothing recovered.</p> <p>7 March - Swan Lane - Theft Other diesel stolen either the Sat or Sun previous nothing recovered.</p> <p>10 March - Stock Lane - Theft Other post box from front of house stolen 9 Mar 14:00-16:00 nothing recovered.</p> <p>14 March - Swan Lane - Burglary Other shed broken into items removed nothing recovered.</p> <p>Please remind people to secure sheds and out buildings.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy reported that five manhole covers had been stolen in Margaretting and that burglaries seemed to be occurring where people had open access at the back of their properties.</p>	
2522.	<p>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.</p> <p>Footway from Post Office to Greenwoods – It was reported that the work had started on the installation of the new zebra crossing and that the footway was also being extended. The Clerk advised that ECC maintenance team are looking into the issue of the loose red chippings.</p> <p>Pot Holes – Highways dealing with matter.</p> <p>Verges dug up and the edging churned up in School Lane – Highways dealing with matter.</p> <p>Flooding outside the Almshouses – Highways dealing with matter.</p> <p>Buttsbury Bridge – Nothing further to report.</p> <p>Bad Conditions at Junction of Downham Road/Mill Road – Nothing to report.</p> <p>Overgrown hedges in village – Highways dealing with matter.</p> <p>Grass Verges at top of Whites Hill – Nothing further to report.</p> <p>Overgrown footpath and bad lighting on the footpath between Dakyn Drive and Cambridge Close - Nothing to report.</p> <p>Missing 30mph sign by Mill Cottage in Mill Road – Highways dealing with matter.</p> <p>Village Sign – Harry Stebbing Workshop had advised that one side of the sign has been completed. It is not a quick process because the sign is so big and only small bits at a time can be painted in one go, otherwise work can be spoiled when reaching over newly painted work that's not dry when trying to reach a new bit to start. Another problem is one lot of paint 'bleeding' into another newly painted section. Then once side 1 has been finished side 2 can be started. It is hoped that the sign will be ready in 4/6 weeks.</p> <p>Parking in the High Street and The Square – Nothing further to report.</p> <p>Parking at Hereward Meadow – CBC had provided a draft of the leaflet and map which the Clerk had circulated to all Councillors for approval. It was agreed that CBC should proceed. Clerk to advise.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>

<p>Tree Planting Initiative – Cllr. Woodward advised that the item could now be removed from the Agenda and the grant had now finished. Cllr. Woodward advised that himself and Cllr. Johnson felt that there were enough trees in the village. Cllr. Otter asked for the gaps to be filled with trees on the Common. Cllr. Woodward advised that some trees had been replaced and that James McCarthy and Lynn Cameron of CBC were more than happy with what is going on with the trees in the village. Cllr. Finch advised that the road used to be inside the boundary of the cricket pitch. Cllr. Woodward advised that there will be another Tree Planting Initiative grant in the next financial year. The Chairman asked Councillors to draw up a list of possible tree planting locations so that it was ready for the next grant.</p>	<p>ALL</p>
<p>Drainage in Common Lane – David Wright of Highways had advised that no highway drainage exists in Common Lane, nor in the future will exist due to financial demands. Only private drainage exists which has been jetted by goodwill from the Highways Department. When this was carried out the exit for the pipework was not found. As this is on private land it is not a Highway issue but a land drainage enquiry. Chelmsford Borough Council need to be contacted. If it is on common land then the Parish Council will possibly be responsible, if they own the land. Roger Watling had sent the Clerk a copy of his comments regarding the matter which the Clerk read out. Cllr. Grundy agreed to take on the matter with ECC and speak to Roger Watling.</p>	<p>IG</p>
<p>Three public warning signs obliterated by vegetation in Smallgains Lane - Highways dealing with matter.</p>	
<p>Street light outside Greenwoods not working – Clerk had reported matter to Highways.</p>	
<p>Living Landscapes Project – It was agreed that the item should be removed from the Agenda.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>Stock Beavers’ Planting Project – Nothing further to report.</p>	
<p>Bayleaf Takeaway – It was agreed that the Clerk should remove the item from the Agenda.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>New Slide in Play Area – Nothing to report.</p>	
<p>Posts to be erected either side of railings outside School – The Customer Liaison Team at Highways had advised that in 2006 Stock CE Primary School wrote a School Travel Plan to consider improving carbon emissions, accessibility, reducing congestion, improving quality of life and better neighbourhoods. It was highlighted that the safety barrier be installed and the footway be extended in to Swan Lane with a dropped kerb so the children (and residents of Stock) can wait and cross the road in safety. Unfortunately the footway could not be extended further in to Swan Lane due to the lack of available highway land. Highways are unable to comment why the two posts mentioned were never placed as the Officer has since left Essex County Council and due to financial restraints imposed on all Local Authorities they no longer operate on the basis of adding improvements to schemes on an ad hoc basis. The change was made under the localism initiative and aims the Parish Council to put forward improvements to the Localism Panel for consideration. Cllr. Grundy said that this was a matter that should be considered in the future if grants became available. The Chairman agreed to speak to Cllr. Dixon regarding the matter.</p>	<p>JM/JD</p>
<p>Extra Street Lighting in Swan Lane – It was agreed that the Clerk should remove the item from the Agenda as the Parish Council did not agree to the proposal.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>
<p>State of verges in village – Regarding Common Road, The Customer Liaison Team at Highways advised that the Highway Authority receives numerous complaints regarding the parking of vehicles on grass verges between the carriageway and property boundaries. This is a widespread problem and it is not necessarily an offence to do so. Whilst they sympathise with the problems caused by the inconsiderate parking of neighbours regrettably there are insufficient resources available to give priority to tackling this form of anti-social behaviour and we have no legal powers to do so. We can only suggest that groups of residents co-operate amongst themselves to determine the most appropriate sites for car parking and then attempt to persuade drivers to use them in preference to grass verges. The Customer Liaison Team had asked one of their Highway Officers to inspect the verges in Mill Lane and Downham Road and take appropriate action. Cllr. Finch advised that the verges will be reinstated at the bottom of Mill Lane once the building work is completed.</p>	
<p>Knocked down Bus Stop Post on B1007 - Cllr. Otter advised that she had been chasing the matter for weeks and had been advised that it was on the list for this week. The temporary bus stops that were removed in error had now been reinstated.</p>	

	<p>Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge – Cllr. Dixon dealing with matter.</p> <p>Play in the Park (Sports & Play Scheme) 2011 – Cllr. Woodward advised that the event had been booked for 1st August.</p> <p>Annual Keep Britain Tidy Campaign 2011 –The Big Tidy Up and Parish Cleansing Days – The Clerk advised that the StreetCare Team will be visiting Stock to carry out the work on Friday 3rd June. Cllr. Grundy advised that a couple of people would need to meet the team on the day and show them the work to be carried out. It was agreed that this would be agreed at another meeting.</p> <p>Mrs Lee’s letter regarding HGV’s and speeding in Stock and Mrs Evan’s letter regarding HGV’s using the roads in the village — The Customer Liaison Team at ECC advised that with regards to the various routes in stock being used by Heavy Goods Vehicles, although they appreciate the residents and Parish Council’s concerns, they do not feel this location warrants a weight or width restriction. Vehicular traffic can, restrictions permitting, use any route within the network to reach its destination. As vehicular traffic increases, the amount of available road space on the network decreases. This results in drivers seeking alternative routes to get to their destination.</p> <p>The Highway Authority does not normally consider weight restrictions on classified roads and they would further highlight that any proposed weight restrictions must have the support of Essex Police. Due to the high level of manpower a weight limit takes to enforce, they will only consider supporting any new weight restriction to address an accident history involving HGVs. Weight limits also have an exemption for access purposes, which would be required for all the numerous businesses along the road.</p> <p>As a result of the above, Highways would not consider implementing weight and width restrictions at these locations and it is very unlikely that Essex Police would support any weight limit.</p> <p>If there are continued problems with speeding in Mill Road, Highways suggested that Essex Police are contacted and request enforcement in this area. Essex Police have a Neighbourhood Policing Team for each area in the District and hold regular meetings where members of the public are welcome to attend and discuss any issues they have and you may personally find this a useful way to communicate your concerns. Alternatively their contact number is 0300 333 4444 or you may wish to visit their website, www.Essex.Police.UK to find out more information.</p> <p>Finally, due to a recent restructure within Highways, there are no longer designated officers responsible for individual Parishes. Therefore Highways are unable to arrange a meeting on site to discuss the issues. All highway related enquiries must be raised via letter or email to H&Tlocalismmid@essex.gov.uk or by telephone to Contact Essex on 0845 603 7631.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy advised that he had been raising the B1007 issue for years and gets the same response. Cllr. Millernas had spoken to PCSO Fleming as HGV’s are still coming through the village at the moment even though the road is closed to HGV’s. One HGV had just missed the scaffolding outside The Post Office. Cllr. Millernas to speak to Cllr. Dixon regarding the matter.</p> <p>Lane outside The Almshouses – Cllr. Woodward advised that he had met with Tony Barker and had obtained a quotation for the work which would be discussed under Closed Tenders. Cllr. Woodward commented on the speed of traffic going past the Almshouses whilst he was standing there.</p>	<p>JD</p> <p>PW</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>JM/JD</p> <p>PW</p>
<p>2523.</p>	<p>GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE.</p> <p>The following letters were read out:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Essex Air Ambulance thanking the Parish Council for their donation. b) Duncan Wood, Head of Research & Intelligence at ECC regarding Proposal for a Shadow Local Healthwatch Organisation in Essex. Comments due by 11th April 2011. It was agreed that due to the short timescale Councillors would make individual comments. 	<p>ALL</p>

2524.	<p>PLANNING MATTERS.</p> <p><u>Applications</u></p> <p>Application No. 11/00187/FUL. New detached single storey garage, replacement roof & vehicular access. Location: Apps Farm, Mill Road, Stock Applicant: Mr B. Higgins. The Parish Council had no comments to make.</p> <p>Application No. 11/00370/FUL. Practice cricket nets at cricket pitch. Location: Stock Common, Common Road, Stock Applicant: Mr P. Cottee. Cllr. Woodward declared an interest and left the room. The Parish Council had no comments to make.</p> <p>Application No. 11/00340/FUL. Relocation of garage from approved application by 10/01838/FUL from forward of the front building line of 11 The Paddock to a new position level with the front building line of 11 The Paddock. Location: 11 The Paddock, Stock Applicant: Mr Tony Martin. The Parish Council had no comments to make.</p> <p>Application No. 11/00367/FUL. Single storey rear extension and part first floor rear extension. Location: 7 Austen Drive, Stock Applicant: Mr & Mrs D. Cook. The Parish Council commented that they are concerned about the loss of light to the adjoining property other than that they have no comments to make.</p> <p><u>Chelmsford Borough Council Planning Decisions</u></p> <p>Application No. 10/01840/FUL. Construction of new outbuilding for garden equipment store, changing rooms and green all weather surface tennis court. Location: New Build At The Plantation, Mill Road, Stock Applicant: Mr A. Turk. Approved.</p> <p>Application No. 11/00148/FUL. Demolition of existing dwelling and outbuildings. New detached dwelling, entrance gates and detached garage and external store. Location: Whitegates, 95 Mill Road, Stock Applicant: Mr R. Cole. Approved.</p> <p>Application No. 11/00181/FUL. Raising of roof to provide first floor accommodation with side dormer window. Location: Stock Hill Farm, Stock Road, Stock Applicant: Mr A.T. Lowe. Refused.</p> <p>Application No. 10/01551/FUL. Retrospective application for replacement driveway and additional vehicle crossover. Location: Millside, 8 Mill Lane, Stock Applicant: Mr K. Groves. Approved.</p> <p>Application No. 11/00131/FUL. Demolition of existing dwelling & replace with two new dwellings & new vehicular access. Location: 45 Back Lane, Stock Applicant: Mr & Mrs Lawrence. Approved Subject to a Unilateral Undertaking under S106.</p> <p>Application No. 11/00139/FUL. Double garage/cartlodge. Location: Kings Head Farm, Stock Road, Stock Applicant: Mr & Mrs S. Voller. Approved.</p> <p>Application No. 11/00304/CLOPUD. Single storey side/front extension. Location: Green Loanings, Goatsmoor Lane, Stock Applicant: Mr & Mrs Sarfraz. Approved.</p>	<p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p>
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Application No. 09/01517/NMAT/1. Non material amendment to permission reference 09/01517/FUL (Revised application for replacement dwelling and outbuildings (08/00957/FUL) together with landscaping and access details.) to amend fenestration to include fanlight openings and add clock tower/weather vane and chimney stack.

Location: Former Scriveners Farm, Madles Lane, Stock

Applicant: Mr S. Quincy. **Approved.**

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

Application No. 11/05527CAT. Oak tree - rear boundary 18 The Square, overhanging 1 Mill Road and High Street - Pollard OR crown reduction by 25% (3m) maximum, All cuts to suitable growing points. (Suitable growing points are side branches which are at least one third the diameter of the originating branch.)

Location: 18 The Square, Stock

Applicant: Mrs Lee.

The Parish Council had no comments to make.

Application No. 11/05017/TPO. Oak (W1 2009/054) - roadside boundary with Furze Lane - crown clean. Oak (W1 2009/054) - south east corner of garden - crown reduce by 1 - 1.5m, cutting to suitable growing points; crown clean (Suitable growing points are side branches that are at least one third the diameter of the originating branch.)

Location: Plantation End, Furze Lane, Stock

Applicant: Mr Johnson. **Approved.**

ECC Consultation Exercise: Street Materials Guide, Design and Good Practice – The Clerk advised that comments were due by 29th April. It was agreed that the document would be circulated and discussed at the next meeting.

Planning Appeals and Decisions.

Land at 59 Well Lane, Appeal Ref: APP/W1525/C/10/2143176. The Planning Inspectorate dismissed the Appeal. The Enforcement Notice is varied and upheld and planning permission is not granted. Cllr. Grundy reported that the work had commenced and the fence was being taken down.

Tree Preservation Orders.

TPO/2011/013 – The Old School, Stock Road – A TPO was made on 15th March 2011. Reasons for the Order were The Scots Pine (T1) is located in the rear garden of The Old School but is clearly visible from Stock Road and School Lane. The Scots Pine has reasonable form and is a mature specimen. It would be expected to fulfil its life expectancy. The tree is well suited to its surroundings and has room to grow although it has been implemented in a subsidence claim. On the 1st February 2011 a Conservation Area notification was received to remove this Scots Pine, together with two other trees (a Holly and a Horse Chestnut). The notification was made as it is alleged that the three trees are partially the reason for foundation movement at The Old School. However, upon reading the Engineers report, the Scots Pine is not mentioned (although other trees in the neighbouring property are) and no Scots Pine roots have been recovered from trial holes. The Engineer does not implicate the Scots Pine as the cause of movement in the dwelling.

Planning Correspondence

Drainage Pipe Mill Road to Whites Hill – Nothing further to report.

Invitation from Hayley Hay of CBC to Parish Forum on 24th May - Clerk advised that until she knew who the new Parish Council were a reply could not be sent to CBC. It would therefore remain on the Agenda until the first meeting after the Election.

An E-mail had been received from Mr Jonathan Lloyd-Gane of 4 Webster Place advising that he had approached CBC with regard to re-naming the property 'Mill House' and enquired whether the Parish Council had any objections. It was agreed that the Clerk should acknowledge the E-mail and advise that the Parish Council would await formal notification from CBC before commenting.

Cllr. Finch reported that both the crossovers that had recently been done in Mill Lane had mains water leaks.

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	<p>Cllr. Otter reported that the hoarding was coming forward towards the highway at the development at 16 Mill Lane. She was concerned about traffic problems and the danger aspect. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact CBC advising that the Parish Council were concerned about the barrier in the road and enquire whether this is correct and safe.</p> <p><u>Urgent Planning Matters Not On This Agenda</u></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	CLERK																				
2525.	<p>FINANCE.</p> <p>Cheques to be Signed - The following cheques were approved for payment and signed:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>101619</td> <td>£300.00</td> <td>R & B Restaurants Ltd</td> <td>Donation to Tea Party for Royal Wedding</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101620</td> <td>£1,193.11</td> <td>Mrs L.J. Green</td> <td>Salary 01.03.11 – 31.03.11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101621</td> <td>£547.87</td> <td>HM Revenue and Customs Only</td> <td>PAYE and N.I.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101622</td> <td>£225.00</td> <td>Stock Village Hall</td> <td>Hire of Hall 2011</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101623</td> <td>£ 68.06</td> <td>Mrs L.J. Green</td> <td>Expenses</td> </tr> </table> <p>Transfer of Funds – On 23rd March 2011 £2,500.00 was transferred from Base Rate Tracker Account to Current Account.</p> <p>Budget and Precept 2010/11 – Nothing to report.</p> <p>Clerk’s Salary - The Chairman advised that Clerk’s salaries had been frozen for the financial year 2010/11 therefore the Clerk would not receive an increase. HMRC had decided that all Parish Council’s must now be individually registered for PAYE so the Clerk’s tax code would be readjusted and she would no longer be paying the tax for her other employment through Stock Parish Council’s PAYE.</p> <p>The Audit Commission had written advising that Jackie Bellard had been appointed as the auditor to the Parish Council for the audit of the accounts for 2010/11 and for future years.</p> <p>A VAT Refund of £1,824.77 had been received.</p>	101619	£300.00	R & B Restaurants Ltd	Donation to Tea Party for Royal Wedding	101620	£1,193.11	Mrs L.J. Green	Salary 01.03.11 – 31.03.11	101621	£547.87	HM Revenue and Customs Only	PAYE and N.I.	101622	£225.00	Stock Village Hall	Hire of Hall 2011	101623	£ 68.06	Mrs L.J. Green	Expenses	
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2526.	<p>COUNCILLOR/CLERK’S REPORT.</p> <p>Cllr. Hawkes reported that the pond by the Cock Inn was full of rubbish again. Cllr. Millernas advised that a new fence had been put up and the pond was cleared. Cllr. Grundy advised that another fence is now down. It was agreed to raise the matter at the next meeting and ask the Hit Squad to clear out the pond.</p> <p>Cllr. Johnson reported that the Bishop had said that it was about time the Speed Indicator Sign is rotated again. The Clerk had reported the matter to Highways. It was agreed that at the next meeting it would be considered about moving the pole by the new zebra crossing and repositioning it somewhere else in the village.</p> <p>Cllr. Phillips advised that he had written an article in the Essex Chronicle and Billericay Gazette highlighting the problems in the village following the accident at The Post Office.</p> <p>Cllr. Woodward stated that the Parish Council should have priority to hold meetings in the Village Hall. It was agreed that the Clerk should put in the dates earlier to Geoff Tully. Cllr. Millernas said that he would ask Cllr. Dixon to speak to Geoff Tully about priority for the Parish Council.</p> <p>Cllr. Otter reported that the Minutes were not up-to-date on the website. The Clerk advised that they had been sent to Roger Watling. Cllrs. Millernas and Phillips advised that Roger is a busy man and does the work free of charge for the Parish Council.</p> <p>Cllr. Rilstone advised that All Saints have got a new Clergyman and he will be installed on the 9th May at 8pm at the Church. He has been appointed on a part time basis and will reside in Stock. Stock are going to be sharing him with West Hanningfield. The Chairman and Cllr. Grundy will be receiving invitations to the event.</p> <p>Cllr. Phillips advised that Whites Bridge is closed.</p> <p>Cllr. Otter advised that she would be attending a Parish Passenger Transport Meeting on the 27th April and if anyone has any comments to let her know.</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>JM/JD/CLERK</p>																				

	<p>Cllr. Otter had received a notice regarding Concessionary Travel and about ECC and the printing of concessionary fare tickets etc.</p> <p>Cllr. Otter had spoken to a Rail Representative who advised that people should be aware that if they buy a season ticket and put it through the machines at the rail station it will not last very long and then has to be changed. Some tickets are lasting a day others a month and commuters are having to renew their tickets. A new company are now printing the tickets. Cllr. Otter advised that train tickets should be kept separate from credit cards as they can corrupt the ticket. Some of the readers at the stations are not even recognizing the rail tickets. Cllr. Millernas advised that if you buy your rail ticket through CBC you can get a reduced price ticket.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy advised residents to be vigilant as the travellers from Dales Farm were being evicted in the next few weeks. Cllr. Millernas agreed to E-mail the emergency contact number at CBC to all Councillors.</p>	<p>JM</p>
<p>2527.</p>	<p>DISCUSSION ITEMS.</p> <p>Stock Library – Cllr. Grundy advised that there is a lot of dialogue going on behind the scenes and the Parish Council will probably hear some more news next month.</p> <p>Youth Club – Nothing to report.</p> <p>Parish Council Elections – The Clerk advised that applications could be submitted from today until 12 noon on Monday 4th April. The Clerk also advised that the Parish Council were now in Purdah.</p> <p>Amendments to Local Council Practitioners’ Guide Consultation – Cllr. Dixon was looking at document.</p> <p>Celebrations for the forthcoming Royal Wedding in 2011 and Diamond Jubilee in 2012 - Cllr. Phillips enquired as to whether Roger Watling, Brian Berkley and himself could film the street party for future generations. Cllr. Grundy advised that he attends the meetings and will speak to the organisers about the matter but he could not see any objection as it was a public event. Cllr. Grundy advised that the party will be held between 2pm – 4pm in The Square outside The Bear and if there was adverse weather it will be held in the Village Hall. Cllr. Grundy advised that the organisers were very grateful for the Parish Council’s donation. Cllr. Grundy advised that there will also be a BBQ in The Bear in the evening and the Drama Group were holding a production in the Village Hall. Cllr. Rilstone suggested holding another street party for the Diamond Jubilee. Cllr. Grundy advised that the organisers were considering this and it would include all ages and be held somewhere else.</p> <p>Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places in Chelmsford – It was agreed that the Clerk should comment that the Parish Council are glad to see the Polling Station back at the Village Hall which has all the facilities, including disabled, and parking.</p>	<p>JD</p> <p>CLERK</p>
<p>2528.</p>	<p>RISK ASSESSMENT.</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
<p>2529.</p>	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING.</p> <p>The next Planning Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 11th April 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall and the main Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 26th April 2011 at 7.30pm in the British Legion Hall. Cllr. Johnson had sent her apologies for the planning meeting.</p>	
<p>2530.</p>	<p>CLOSED MEETING FOR OPENING TENDERS.</p> <p>Cllr. Woodward had obtained a quotation from Maple Landscapes which was discussed. Cllr. Otter reported that there were pot holes in the Church car park. It was agreed that the Parish council were responsible for the maintenance of the car park as well as the lane outside The Almshouses. Cllr. Woodward felt that there was too much shingle in the car park. Cllrs. Rilstone and Finch stated that the entrance to the Church car park is better than it used to be and some pot holes have been filled. Cllr. Rilstone agreed to have a look and speak to Cllr. Woodward about the matter. Cllr. Woodward advised that the dustcart reversing in front of the Almshouses is what is causing the potholes. It was suggested that the two jobs got done together. Cllr. Woodward to organise.</p>	

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming; the meeting closed at 9.30pm.

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