

# STOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2011 AT STOCK VILLAGE HALL, COMMON ROAD, STOCK AT 7.30PM.**

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

		<b>ACTION</b>
<b>2489.</b>	<b>DEMOCRATIC TIME:</b>  A parishioner advised that the Highways Department at ECC had all changed and new people were now in the Department who had no knowledge of outstanding matters. The Chairman advised that the Parish Council are waiting to hear who their point of contact is.  Brenda Smith, the Village Agent, brought the statistics for Village Agents to the meeting and the Chairman asked the Clerk to circulate them to all Councillors. Mrs Smith advised that there are a number of clients in Stock and that she attends the W.I. Mrs Smith had also been in touch with the library and was promoting services with them.	
<b>2490.</b>	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.</b>  There were no apologies.	
<b>2491.</b>	<b>MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2010.</b>  The Minutes of the Meeting, having been previously circulated, were then duly signed as a true record of events.	
<b>2492.</b>	<b>DECLARING ANY PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS.</b>  Cllrs. Otter and Dixon declared an interest in Village Design Statement. Cllrs. Phillips and Rilstone advised that they were members of the Heritage Society. Cllr. Phillips was also a volunteer at The Mill.	
<b>2493.</b>	<b>POLICE MATTERS.</b>  The Clerk reported that Christopher Shaw had volunteered to assist as part of the Community Speedwatch team. Cllr. Millernas advised that there were now 4 volunteers as Joy Millernas, Richard Allan and John Pardon had also volunteered. Clerk to advise PCSO Fleming.  Cllr. Johnson reported that for the past three weeks a white van has been parking on the grass and kerb outside Compass Green. The matter has been reported to the Police but nothing has been done. Clerk to report again.  Cllr. Finch reported that vehicles, i.e. lorries, are parking by the two new houses in Mill Road at the junction of Mill Lane. Clerk to report to Police.  Cllr. Millernas reported that a KA and a Vauxhall Astra Estate, are parked $\frac{3}{4}$ on the pavement as you enter Back Lane (opposite the entrance to the flats which used to be the Antiques shop). The KA is there most of the time and you can only get one car past which is dangerous. Clerk to report to Police.  Brenda Smith, Village Agent, advised that PCSO Fleming was currently not working as she was unwell. Clerk to report matters to Sgt. Land in her absence.	<b>CLERK</b>  <b>CLERK</b>  <b>CLERK</b>  <b>CLERK</b>
<b>2494.</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.</b>  <b>Footway from Post Office to Greenwoods</b> – Chairman reported that he had seen Highways measuring up and had been advised that the work is to be done but the traffic light order is holding things up. The pedestrian crossing will be installed at the same time. Clerk to check with Highways about zebra crossing.  <b>Pot Holes</b> – Highways dealing with matter.	<b>CLERK</b>

<p><b>Verges dug up and the edging churned up in School Lane</b> – Highways dealing with matter.</p> <p><b>Flooding outside the Almshouses</b> – Highways dealing with matter.</p> <p><b>Buttsbury Bridge</b> – Nothing further to report.</p> <p><b>Bad Conditions at Junction of Downham Road/Mill Road</b> – Nothing to report.</p> <p><b>Overgrown hedges in village</b> – Highways dealing with matter.</p> <p><b>Grass Verges at top of Whites Hill</b> – The Chairman reported that the site is due to be completed in the next six weeks and then verges then need to be sorted out.</p> <p><b>Overgrown footpath and bad lighting on the footpath between Dakyn Drive and Cambridge Close</b> - Nothing to report.</p> <p><b>Missing 30mph sign by Mill Cottage in Mill Road</b> – Highways dealing with matter.</p> <p><b>Village Sign</b> – Sign is currently being renovated.</p> <p><b>Parking in the High Street and The Square</b> – Nothing further to report.</p>	
<p>1. <b>Parking at Hereward Meadow</b> – Chairman had attended a meeting with Lyn McLay-Kidd and the NEAT Officer. Following the meeting Mrs McLay-Kidd has contacted the school to see if they would like to undertake a planting activity on the site in April. CBC will produce 3 temporary signs which simply state Hereward Meadow Public Open Space, to be located at the 3 entrances. CBC will create a small A5 leaflet that can be used to promote the space to villagers, which shows where the area is, a pedestrian route and where the bus stop is, it will also indicate the type of space and some simple suggestions for how to best utilise the space, as this is a meadow with just mown paths this will include walking, conker hunting in the autumn, kite flying, enjoying the space’s natural habitats. As discussed the value of this space is the fact that it is a meadow and it is not an area that they would consider for football goals or play equipment. The Parish Council will consider funding two picnic tables and their installation (to be purchased through CBC) £1000 cost- Mrs McLay-Kidd is concerned that a litter bin is not placed on the site, people should be encouraged to take litter home with them. If the picnic tables lead to an issue with litter they may have to consider removing them. Dog walkers currently take the poo bags home and CBC have no issue with dog faeces on the site – so picnickers should also be encouraged to respect the space. The Parish Council will promote the use of the space for informal recreation through the parish newsletter and posters on Parish notice-boards</p>	
<p>It was agreed that the Clerk should ask CBC to purchase one bench and put signage on the Bronze Age Barrow.</p>	<p><b>CLERK</b></p>
<p><b>Tree Planting Initiative</b> – It was agreed that Cllr. Woodward would look around the village, particularly around Common Road, to see if any more trees were needed. It was reported that just past Birch Lane a tree had been felled. Cllr. Woodward advised that it was not a good idea to replace the tree (which had fallen) as it was rotten and was growing under the electricity cables.</p>	<p><b>PW</b></p>
<p><b>Post knocked over on the Northern side of The Paddocks and missing posts at Compass Green</b> The work had been carried out. Clerk to remove from Agenda.</p>	<p><b>CLERK</b></p>
<p><b>Drainage in Common Lane</b> – Nothing further to report.</p>	
<p><b>Damaged sign opposite Harnetts in Smallgains Lane and sign missing in Smallgains Lane opposite Marigolds Lane</b> - CBC dealing with matter.</p>	<p><b>CLERK</b></p>
<p><b>Three public warning signs obliterated by vegetation in Smallgains Lane</b> - Highways dealing with matter.</p>	
<p><b>Benches on The Common</b> – Clerk sorting out the insurance.</p>	<p><b>CLERK</b></p>
<p><b>Terrible state of Pond at the back of The Cock Public House and Austen Drive</b> – It was reported that the work had been done. Clerk to remove from Agenda.</p>	<p><b>CLERK</b></p>

	<p><b>Street light opposite the Hoop not working</b> – Cllr. Millernas advised that the work had been carried out but the light opposite the zebra crossing near Greenwoods was now not working. Clerk to report to Highways and remove item from agenda.</p> <p><b>Living Landscapes Project</b> – Nothing further to report.</p> <p><b>Stock Beavers’ Planting Project</b> – Cllr. Johnson had spoken to Rachel Hill and they had agreed to plant crocuses around the War Memorial – it is a bit late for planting so the bulbs may not come up.</p> <p><b>Bayleaf Takeaway</b> – Nothing further to report.</p> <p><b>Review of Sports and Play Schemes in 2011 seeking the Parish Council’s views</b> – It was agreed that the item could be removed from the Agenda.</p> <p><b>New Slide in Play Area</b> – The Chairman advised that the Parish Council were waiting to find out if they had got a CIF grant towards the purchase.</p> <p><b>Posts to be erected either side of railings outside School</b> – Clerk reported to Highways.</p> <p><b>Extra Street Lighting in Swan Lane</b> – Clerk had reported matter to Highways.</p> <p><b>State of verges in village</b> - Clerk had reported matter to Highways.</p> <p><b>Parking at Cock Inn Car Pub whilst vacant</b> - The Clerk had contacted Enterprise Inns but had not received any response to the Parish Council’s request. It was agreed that the item should now be removed as the pub was open again on a short term lease.</p> <p><b>Knocked down Bus Stop Post on B1007</b> - The Clerk had reported the matter to ECC and had been advised that an order would be placed.</p>	<p><b>CLERK</b></p> <p><b>SJ</b></p> <p><b>CLERK</b></p> <p><b>CLERK</b></p>
<p><b>2495.</b></p>	<p><b>GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE.</b></p> <p>The following letters were read out:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Dawn Johnson of ECC Highways had advised that due to restructuring within Highways she was no longer a direct point of contact. There is no longer a specific traffic team and all other previous roles in Highways have been restructured and individual’s responsibilities have therefore changed too in most cases.</li> <li>b) Renata Brown of Essex Playing Fields Association regarding the Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge. It was agreed that the Parish Council should register. It was suggested that Hereward Meadow is nominated. Cllr. Grundy suggested Swan Woods. Chairman to look at website.</li> <li>c) Sara Ward of RCCE regarding The Green Flag Community Award. Chairman to look into matter.</li> <li>d) Sarah Brown of Highways regarding 5 day road closure at Goatsmoor Lane from 1<sup>st</sup> February.</li> <li>e) Karen Barden of CBC regarding Play in the Park (Sports &amp; Play Scheme) 2011 Chairman to look at paperwork and then give to Cllr. Woodward to deal with.</li> <li>f) Jackie Lane, Neat Officer, at CBC regarding Annual Keep Britain Tidy Campaign 2011 –The Big Tidy Up and Parish Cleansing Days. Chairman and Cllr. Millernas to deal with matter. Suggestions for the Cleansing Day were footpath clearance, ditch clearance and litter picking.</li> </ul>	<p><b>JD</b></p> <p><b>JD</b></p> <p><b>JD</b></p> <p><b>JD/JM</b></p>
<p><b>2496.</b></p>	<p><b>PLANNING MATTERS.</b></p> <p><b><u>Applications</u></b></p> <p><b>Application No. 11/00087/FUL.</b> First floor side extension, single storey rear extension and part conversion of garages to habitable accommodation. Increased width of one existing rear dormer window.</p> <p><b>Location:</b> 16 Cambridge Close, Stock</p> <p><b>Applicant:</b> Mrs Barbara Hill.</p> <p>The Parish Council had no comments to make.</p>	<p><b>CLERK</b></p>

<p><b>Application No. 11/00014/FUL.</b> Construction of Cow Shed No. 1.  <b>Location:</b> Fristling Hall Farm, Swan Lane, Stock  <b>Applicant:</b> Mr Gary Sharp.  The Parish Council commented that they are concerned about the access via Swan Lane which is a Protected Lane and an extremely narrow lane.</p> <p>The Parish Council would like to see, if the Planning Authority are minded to approve the application, to make a condition that any vehicle going to the site should enter via the Galleywood end of Swan Lane and with a weight restriction on size of vehicle if achievable.</p>	<b>CLERK</b>
<p><b>Application No. 11/00026/FUL.</b> Construction of Cow Barn No. 2.  <b>Location:</b> Fristling Hall Farm, Swan Lane, Stock  <b>Applicant:</b> Mr Gary Sharp.  The Parish Council commented that they are concerned about the access via Swan Lane which is a Protected Lane and an extremely narrow lane.</p> <p>The Parish Council would like to see, if the Planning Authority are minded to approve the application, to make a condition that any vehicle going to the site should enter via the Galleywood end of Swan Lane and with a weight restriction on size of vehicle if achievable.</p>	<b>CLERK</b>
<p><b>Application No. 11/00028/FUL.</b> Construction of Calving Barn.  <b>Location:</b> Fristling Hall Farm, Swan Lane, Stock  <b>Applicant:</b> Mr Gary Sharp.  The Parish Council commented that they are concerned about the access via Swan Lane which is a Protected Lane and an extremely narrow lane.</p> <p>The Parish Council would like to see, if the Planning Authority are minded to approve the application, to make a condition that any vehicle going to the site should enter via the Galleywood end of Swan Lane and with a weight restriction on size of vehicle if achievable.</p>	<b>CLERK</b>
<p><b>Application No. 11/00011/FUL.</b> Conversion and extension of barn to form link with new 2 storey dwelling with detached garage.  <b>Location:</b> Elmbrook Farm, Buttsbury, Stock  <b>Applicant:</b> Mr &amp; Mrs P. Gibson.  The Parish Council had no comments to make.</p>	<b>CLERK</b>
<p><b>Application No. 10/01971/FUL.</b> Three storey extension to front of existing house with dormer window to rear.  <b>Location:</b> 8 Hereward Mount, Stock  <b>Applicant:</b> Mr Barclay.  The Parish Council had no comments to make.</p>	<b>CLERK</b>
<p><b>Application No. 11/00003/FUL.</b> Two storey side extension, single storey front extension and fenestration alterations.  <b>Location:</b> 1 Valentines, Stock  <b>Applicant:</b> Mr Oliver Shorey.  The Parish Council had no comments to make.</p>	<b>CLERK</b>
<p><b>Application No. 10/01551/FUL.</b> Retrospective application for replacement driveway and additional vehicle crossover.  <b>Location:</b> Millside, 8 Mill Lane, Stock  <b>Applicant:</b> Mr K. Groves.  The Parish Council commented that they had referred this application to Lord Petre as he is the landowner of the greensward between the highway and the property. Further comments may be submitted once comments are received back from Lord Petre.</p>	<b>CLERK</b>
<p><b>Application No. 11/00111/MAT.</b> Material amendment to permission reference 08/00274/FUL (ground floor shop with first floor flat over, car access to rear courtyard and one detached barn style bungalow with private garden and car park spaces) for alterations to the fenestration and eaves height and omission of porch to approved bungalow.  <b>Location:</b> 16 – 20 Mill Road, Stock  <b>Applicant:</b> R.D. Consulting.  The Parish Council commented that they would not like to see changes to the overall height of the buildings as they are sited in the Conservation Area. Equally given the poor parking within the plan there should not be any changes that make parking spaces smaller, i.e. parking bay 1.</p>	<b>CLERK</b>

**Application No. 11/00004/ETL.** Extension of time limit to permission 08/00062/FUL for rear conservatory.

**Location:** Woodlands, Mill Road, Stock

**Applicant:** Mr Joseph Anthony Kendrick.

The Parish Council had no comments to make.

**CLERK**

**Chelmsford Borough Council Planning Decisions**

**Application No. 08/00274/NMAT/2.** Non material amendments to approved application 08/00274/FUL for windows adjusted on shop/flat to comply with building regulations. Enclosed bin stores omitted as fully fenced areas provided. Parking bay no. 6 adjusted so as to provide safer access to flat. Section of existing shop adjacent to 22 Mill Road now to be new build. Works to front elevation of 16 and 18 Mill Road omitted as they have already been implemented. Rainwater goods changed to UPVC cast iron style except for North elevation of shop and solar panel to roof South elevation above flat.

**Location:** 16-20 Mill Road, Stock

**Applicant:** Silverswan Services Ltd. **Approved.**

**Application No. 10/01819/FUL.** Replacement dwelling with detached garage/store.

**Location:** 152 Mill Road, Stock

**Applicant:** Mr & Mrs M. Hudson. **Approved.**

**Application No. 10/01864/FUL.** Amendment to permission reference 06/01773/FUL (Two storey rear extension and single storey side addition) to alter fenestration and reduce size of single storey side extension.

**Location:** 2 Austen Drive, Stock

**Applicant:** Mr C. Taylor. **Approved.**

**Application No. 10/01828/FUL.** Amendment to permission reference 09/00739/FUL (Replacement two storey detached house and detached garage block) to alter position of garage and create bay window to front.

**Location:** 2 High Trees, Stock

**Applicant:** Mr & Mrs P. Tillett. **Approved.**

**Application No. 10/01780/LBC.** Demolition of stables and bird cages. Conversion of Barn, Dairy and Granary into three dwellings with associated parking and landscaping.

**Location:** Fristling Hall Farm, Swan Lane, Stock

**Applicant:** Mr & Mrs Gary & Julie Sharp. **Listed Building Consent Approved.**

**Application No. 10/01779/FUL.** Demolition of stables and bird cages. Conversion of Barn, Dairy and Granary into three dwellings with associated parking and landscaping.

**Location:** Fristling Hall Farm, Swan Lane, Stock

**Applicant:** Mr & Mrs Gary & Julie Sharp. **Approved Subject to Unilateral Undertaking Under S106.**

**Application No. 10/01945/CLOPUD.** Two storey rear extension and rear dormer window.

**Location:** Daylands Farm, Stock Road, Stock

**Applicant:** Mr & Mrs M. Sood. **Refused.**

**Application No. 10/01291/NMAT.** Non-material amendment to permission reference 10/01297/FUL (Two storey side extension and rear single storey conservatory) to change gablet to gable end roof and change from glass panels to masonry with fanlights above for side wall of conservatory.

**Location:** 3 Lilystone Close, Stock

**Applicant:** Mr & Mrs M. Threadgold. **Approved.**

**Application No. 10/01807/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><b><u>Applications for Works to be carried out on trees in Conservation Area and trees that have Tree Preservation Orders.</u></b></p> <p><b>Application No. 11/05501/CAT.</b> Oak - adjacent patio door - pollard annually for five years, cutting to original pollarding points.  <b>Location:</b> 4 High Street, Stock  <b>Applicant:</b> Mrs Elgar.  The Parish Council had no comments to make.</p> <p><b>Application No. 11/05005/TPO.</b> Lime x 2 (G1 1985/021) - closest to highway - crown lift to 5.2m, cutting to branch collar; reduce two extended laterals overhanging road by 50%, cutting to suitable growing points  Lime x 8 (G1 1985/021) - along driveway - remove epicormic growth as necessary for 5 years (Suitable growing points are side branches that are at least one third the diameter of the originating branch.)  <b>Location:</b> 4 High Street, Stock  <b>Applicant:</b> Mrs Elgar.  The Parish Council had no comments to make.</p> <p><b>Application No. 10/05240/TPO.</b> G1 – Trees indicated as T4, T5 – T10 – Strawberry tree x 3, T6 – Holly, T7 – Silver Birch, (T8- Unknown possibly Ficus not included in TPO) on survey – Fell to ground level (TPO 1996/012).  <b>Location:</b> Apps Farm Lodge, Mill Road, Stock.  <b>Applicant:</b> Mr Bernard Higgins. <b>Refused.</b></p> <p><b>Application No. 10/05250/TPO.</b> Silver Birch (T31 2001/117) – front garden of property – fell to ground and remove stump.  <b>Location:</b> Millside, 35 Myln Meadow, Stock.  <b>Applicant:</b> Mr &amp; Mrs Weaver. <b>Approved.</b></p> <p><b><u>Planning Appeals and Decisions.</u></b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p> <p><b><u>Tree Preservation Orders.</u></b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p> <p><b><u>Planning Correspondence</u></b></p> <p><b>Drainage Pipe Mill Road to Whites Hill</b> – Nothing further to report.</p> <p>Notification of Appeal for 59 Well Lane, Alleged Breach: Without permission, the use of land as residential garden. Enforcement Ref. 10/00286/NOTICE, Appeal Ref. APP/W1525/C/10/2143176. Comments due to Planning Inspectorate by 17<sup>th</sup> February 2011. Clerk to write to Planning Inspectorate fully supporting the comments made by CBC and their actions on this matter. Clerk to also request a copy of the Appeal decision.</p> <p><b><u>Urgent Planning Matters Not On This Agenda</u></b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	<p><b>CLERK</b></p> <p><b>CLERK</b></p> <p><b>CLERK</b></p>																																								
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	<p><b>Transfer of Funds</b> – On 20<sup>th</sup> December 2010 £2,500.00 was transferred from Base Rate Tracker Account to Current Account.</p> <p><b>Budget and Precept 2010/11</b> – The Chairman asked the Councillors to have ideas for spending/saving ready for the next meeting so that the Budget could be finalised.</p> <p><b>Annual Donations</b> – The Chairman advised that letters had been received from All Saints’ Church, Our Lady &amp; St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church Parish Council, The Tweedy Charity, Stock Press, Stock Cares and Essex Air Ambulance requesting their annual grants from Stock Parish Council. Accounts had been received from Stock Cares and Our Lady – the other accounts were not ready yet but would be forwarded onto the Parish Council when available. It was agreed that the following donations would be made:- All Saints Church £200.00, The Tweedy Charity £200.00, Our Lady £100.00, Stock Press £100.00, Stock Cares £200.00 and Essex Air Ambulance £250.00.</p> <p><b>Cricket Club Contribution towards Grass Cutting</b> - The Clerk advised that she would prepare the invoice and sent it to the Cricket Club for payment.</p>	<p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>CLERK</b></p> <p><b>CLERK</b></p>
<p><b>2498.</b></p>	<p><b>COUNCILLOR/CLERK’S REPORT.</b></p> <p>Cllr. Philips was concerned about the future of Hawkins Wood and Larches Wood and felt that if the woods were sold the woods would be lost.</p> <p>Cllr. Otter gave the following report:-</p> <p>Trains - National Express East Anglia are very conscious passengers are experiencing overcrowding and unacceptable delays on some trains. This is due to a large number of traction motors on their electric commuter trains failing from snow being sucked into them in December, initial teething problems with the Colchester and Norwich line’s new timetable, overrunning engineering work and points failures.</p> <p>National Express East Anglia are replacing 73 damaged traction motors which they plan to complete by 21<sup>st</sup> February. Until they fix this some trains will run at lower speed than normal and may not have the usual number of coaches. They are making minor adjustments to the Norwich and Colchester line timetable to resolve the problems which they will complete by the end of January. Network Rail has reduced its engineering work to avoid overruns.</p> <p>100 Bus - Changes from 6<sup>th</sup> February 2011. Timing places on the timetable slightly altered. No changes to the service between Chelmsford and Billericay.</p> <p>140 Bus – Re-routed to serve Noak Bridge from 6<sup>th</sup> February 2011</p> <p>ECC Passenger Transport Department - A staff reduction therefore administration changes.</p> <p>Cllr. Woodward asked the Parish Council to ask CBC to officially put in planning permissions that verges must be reinstated.</p> <p>S106 money was discussed and how it benefitted the village.</p> <p>Cllr. Rilstone reported that the War Memorial Trust was established in 1997. The Trust exists if any expenditure is needed to be spent on the War Memorial. The Parish Council can apply for a grant. Cllr. Rilstone to give Clerk the address.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy reported that CBC were launching a scores on doors on 14<sup>th</sup> February which was a food hygiene scheme. The details would also be on the CBC website.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy reported that John Lewis were coming to Chelmsford in March 2013 and were going behind Debenhams together with 30 other establishments. There would also be 300 underground parking spaces.</p> <p>The Council Tax will go through on the 28<sup>th</sup> February but CBC were currently waiting to hear what ECC do.</p> <p>The Park and Ride at North Chelmer opens on the 1<sup>st</sup> April.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy advised that he was concerned about cars parking outside the cottages opposite Greenwoods. He said it was a terrible eyesore and the verge was being ruined.</p>	<p><b>AR</b></p>

	<p>Cllr. Grundy advised that the Parish Council have a responsibility to lead the village to pick up litter. He reported that the ditch in Common Lane was filled with litter and there was litter everywhere in the village. Cllr. Grundy advised that there had been two prosecutions, one in Stock and one in Margaretting, for people dropping litter. It was agreed that this should be put in Stock Press.</p> <p>Cllr. Grundy advised that there was a lot of talk about the Localism Bill currently going through The Commons. Cllr. Grundy advised that there will be training sessions organised by CBC.</p> <p>Cllr Grundy requested an update on the VDS. The Chairman advised there were differences between the group and CBC. It was resolved to invite the chairman of the VDS group to a future planning meeting to update the Parish Council. Councillor Millernas requested someone from CBC also be invited, which was agreed.</p> <p>Cllr. Johnson reported that the evasive weed was coming through the pond again. Clerk to contact Paul Williams and ask him to get the chemical from CBC.</p>	<b>CLERK</b>
<b>2499.</b>	<p><b>DISCUSSION ITEMS.</b></p> <p><b>Allotments</b> – Nothing further to report.</p> <p><b>Stock Library</b> – The Chairman was still waiting to hear from Cllr. Lucas.</p> <p><b>Youth Club</b> – Nothing to report.</p> <p><b>Parish Council Elections</b> – Clerk to attend meeting at CBC on 3<sup>rd</sup> February. The Elections will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2011. Nominations need to be received by CBC by noon on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2011.</p> <p><b>Salt Bins</b> – The Clerk advised that the pilot scheme for a one tonne bag of salt had now ended. Gary Stringer had been trying to get salt for Stock Hill and had been advised by ECC of the following:-</p> <p>Following last winter we reviewed the way we delivered our service and tried to learn lessons to take forward for this winter. One of the big concerns was around stock management and ensuring that ongoing monitoring of resources was undertaken. Salt bins were a concern as the experience last year was the stock within them was being misused – either on people’s personal property and not on the highway or the whole scale theft from the bins with evidence suggesting the salt was being re-sold back to the public.</p> <p>This year a pilot is being undertaken with approximately 30 parish and town councils to test alternative ways of distributing the salt to ensure that it remains available to the local community and is used on the highways.</p> <p>The pilot provides the participants with a one tonne bag of salt which they control the distribution of for use in key priority sites as identified by their local community. Ongoing feedback is being sought throughout the trial to understand how feasible it is to achieve. The scheme was not open to all and was based upon criteria set at the time the pilot was initiated. Those parish and town councils that I was aware of, that met this criteria were invited to participate. The pilot is now closed to new applicants. Until we understand the findings of this pilot we are not accepting any requests to install new salt bins. If appropriate we will adjust our policy to reflect the findings of the pilot in preparation for next winter season.</p> <p>The salt bins which are already in existence are separate to the pilot. The only changes to policy for existing salt bins, that has taken place around is an update based on our experience and working practices that were necessary to introduce last winter. The policy now clarifies that salt bins will only be refilled as and when we have the resources and capacity to do so. The refilling of existing bins is recognised as important to local communities but our priority must always be to secure the primary network.</p> <p>Prior to the last snow event towards the middle of December we were in a position where we were able to release resources and fill bins at identified higher risk sites as known by our officers who work within the local areas. This did mean that we did not refill all salt bins as a matter of routine. As we move forward we will continue to make strategic decisions as to what resources (staff, vehicles, and stock) are available and can be released at any given time. I am currently unable to indicate when refilling of some or all of the bins may commence but please be assured of our continued attention to monitoring and supporting this important community resource.</p>	<b>CLERK</b>



	<p><b>Future Airspace Strategy Consultation</b> – Chairman to look at document.</p> <p><b>Amendments to Local Council Practitioners’ Guide Consultation</b> – It was agreed to defer the matter to the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Celebrations for the forthcoming Royal Wedding in 2011 and Diamond Jubilee in 2012</b> – Cllr. Grundy reported that there was movement afoot to have a Children’s party in the High Street to celebrate the Royal Wedding on the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2011. The High Street would need to be closed from Mill Road to the War Memorial. An initial meeting is being held on 7<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00pm at The Bear. Cllr. Grundy asked for the Parish Council’s support. It was agreed that Cllr. Johnson would attend the meeting and represent the Parish Council.</p>	<p><b>JD</b></p> <p><b>CLERK</b></p> <p><b>SJ</b></p>
<b>2500.</b>	<p><b>RISK ASSESSMENT.</b> Nothing to report.</p>	
<b>2501.</b>	<p><b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING.</b>  The next Planning Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2011 at 7.30pm and the main Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2011 at 7.30pm.</p>	
<b>2502.</b>	<p><b>CLOSED MEETING FOR OPENING TENDERS.</b> There were no tenders to discuss.</p>	

**The Chairman thanked everyone for coming; the meeting closed at 9.50pm.**

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