

STOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD ON 8th MAY 2017 IN THE LIBRARY, GREENWOODS, STOCK ROAD.

Present: Cllr. Millernas, Johnson, Fenwick, Clark, Jones, Cansdale and Raindle

Apologies: Cllr. Rilstone

In The Chair: Cllr. Fairman

4161	CHAIRMAN'S REPORT Cllr. Fairman introduced the 9 councillors to the parishioners who attended the meeting. Cllr. Fairman announced the resignation of Cllr. Cansdale and thanked her for all the hard she has done over the past few years. Cllr Fairman discussed the work the Parish councillors do for the community.	<i>ALL</i>
4162	PRESENTATION BY ANDREW GARRIDO FROM THE JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES (JW.ORG) ON THE TEMPLE FARM DEVELOPMENT Andrew Garido presented a video to the parishioners on the Temple Farm Development. Work has almost been completed on the new roundabout, Andrew thanked the community for their patience. Solar energy has been included, a large pond with plant species and much attention has been given to the Temple Wood area. This has consisted of 2 years' work. 160 cubic metres of soil has been excavated and moved from the site. A visitor centre will be opened shortly and the site will become fully operational in December 2019. The centre will have 270 people living on site. A parishioner asked Mr Garrido why have the JW been allowed to build on the greenbelt. Mr Garrido replied saying that the development is actually on brownbelt land. The site will have a medical centre and will be used for literacy translation. Nobody under the age of 19 will be allowed on the site. 370 metres of hedging has been planted. A parishioner asked when the building works will commence on the printing establishment. The response was that there is no plan for this currently. The JW are not sure when phase two will begin.	<i>ANDREW GARRIDO</i>
4163	THE LAUNCH OF THE NEW STOCK PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE Marc Wheelhouse and the clerk presented the new stock village website to the parishioners. The site is now live and can be found on stock-pc.gov.uk The site will be updated on a regular basis to include new events within the community.	<i>ALL</i>
4164	LAUNCH OF THE STOCK NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME Steve Leverett (Head of Neighbourhood Watch) spoke about how the police have to attend very urgent matters first and are slower to respond to other reports of crime. The question of	<i>STEVE LEVERETT/ CLLR. CANSDALE</i>

	<p>'how do we help ourselves' came up and the suggestion is we can help ourselves to protect and deter by working together and that communication is vital.</p> <p>Cllr. Cansdale explained that the NW meet twice a month and that so far 220 volunteers are signed up within the Stock area. 13 groups in the village are on 'WhatsApp'. It has been advised to be careful what you post on the popular social media site – Facebook as this can alert people if you are on holiday/out of your property.</p> <p>In the last month 30 incidents have been reported on WhatsApp. There have been lots of minor crimes such as break-ins to sheds and garages. The app has been successful in reuniting people with their stolen items.</p>	
4165	<p>DEMOCRATIC TIME</p> <p>A parishioner asked with we could do something to reduce speeding within the village. Cllr. Fairman advised that an average speed camera would cost in the region on £75,000. The parish council need more volunteers for Community speed watch. The faded writing on the road in the Square was once again mentioned and the clerk has advised that it has already been reported to Chelmsford Council. The pavements from Greenwoods to the shops are in bad condition. Cllr Grundy is doing his best to get this matter resolved.</p> <p>The issue of broadband was brought up in the meeting. The need for Fibre Optic cabling within the village is important. The Superfast Essex Website mentions that fibre optic cabling will eventually come to Stock.</p> <p>A parishioner asked if anything can be done about additional parking in the Square. The Parish Council are looking at hexagonal parking in the Square.</p>	<i>ALL</i>
4166	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</p> <p>Cllr. Rilstone</p>	<i>ALL</i>
4167	<p>ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN</p> <p>Cllr. Fairman voted in as Chairman. Cllr. Millernas voted in as Vice chairman. Cllr. Raindle voted in as Footpaths representative Cllr. Jones voted in as Transport Representative Cllr. Clarke voted in as Open Space Representative Cllr. Rilstone voted in as Finance Representative Cllr. Fenwick voted in as Publicity Representative Cllr. Johnson voted in as Noticeboard Representative</p>	<i>ALL</i>
4168	<p>COUNCILLOR/CLERK'S REPORT</p> <p>Nothing to report</p>	<i>CLERK</i>
4169	<p>DISCUSSION ITEMS</p> <p>The possibility of additional parking at the BT Exchange was mentioned. A lot of parishes are considering doing a Neighbourhood Plan, we could get someone to come along to our next Parish Council Meeting. Marketing for a new councillor needs to take place once Brian Mayfield at Chelmsford Council has been notified. Clerk to report Cllr. Cansdales' resignation to CCC. Clerk to bring the playground inspection report to the next meeting.</p>	<i>ALL</i>
4170	<p>RISK ASSESSMENT</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	<i>ALL</i>

4171	DATE OF NEXT MEETING The next General Meeting will take place on Monday 5th June in Stock Village Hall.	

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

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