

STOCK PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 25TH JULY 2011 AT STOCK VILLAGE HALL, COMMON ROAD, STOCK AT 7.30PM.

Present: *Cllrs. Woodward, Fairman, Fenwick, Lee, Finch and Rilstone*
Minute Secretary: *Mrs Lorraine Green*
In The Chair: *Cllr. Johnson*
Also Present: *4 Members of the Public and CBC Cllr. Ian Grundy*

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2595.	DEMOCRATIC TIME. A parishioner advised that she was upset to receive a letter from the Parish Council about her hedges in Smallgains Lane. She advised that they had now been cut back but the top hedges would not be cut back until the Autumn. The Chairman thanked the parishioner.	
2596.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Cllrs. Dixon and Millernas and PCSO Kay Fleming sent their apologies.	
2597.	MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 27TH JUNE 2011. The Minutes of the Meetings, having been previously circulated, were then duly signed as a true record of events.	
2598.	DECLARING ANY PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS. Cllr. Rilstone declared an interest in the Heritage Society.	
2599.	POLICE MATTERS. A traffic speeding issue has been reported to Cllr. Dixon and he asked the Clerk to report it to PCSO Fleming and raise at the meeting. It concerns Whites Hill outside High Meadow where the road is single width and on the brow of a hill. Apparently there have been near miss incidents in the last few days and many instances of excessive speed. PCSO Fleming is on leave until 15 th August and has advised if there are any major issues that registration plates are obtained and phoned into the Police and the drivers will be spoken to if not she will look into the matter when she returns. Cllr. Finch advised that he had put in his article for Stock Press a note about warning people regarding bogus callers. Cllr. Lee volunteered to co-ordinate the Community Speed Watch. Clerk to inform PCSO Fleming.	CLERK
2600.	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES. Parking at Hereward Meadow – CBC dealing with matter. Stock Beavers' Planting Project – Nothing to report. Clerk to remove from Agenda. New Slide in Play Area – Work to be carried out shortly. Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge – Cllr. Dixon dealing with matter. Play in the Park (Sports & Play Scheme) 2011 – Event been booked for 1 st August and 19th August. Play Area Annual Safety Inspection – Cllr. Dixon dealing with matter. Beware of the Bull signs on the footpath by Fristling Hall –Mr Sharp advised that the notices had been removed. Clerk to remove item from Agenda.	CLERK JD PW JD CLERK

	Overhanging branches in Smallgains Lane – Clerk reported matter to Highways. Cllr. Woodward had met with Graham Smith of Timbertec and they had looked at the trees in Smallgains Lane, Well Lane, Mill Road and Common Road. To remove all the dangerous branches would cost approximately £160.00. Agreed Mr Smith should go ahead. Overgrown Hedgerow - The Clerk had written to the owners of Magpies and Fristling Hall asking them to cut back their overgrown hedges. Cllr. Woodward had arranged for the overhanging bow in Well Lane/Smallgains Lane to be cut back. Dead Tree outside Greenwoods - Cllr. Woodward to speak to Greenwoods. It was reported that the vegetation needs to be cleared by the new zebra crossing. Clerk to chase Highways to see what is happening regarding the new crossing as the beacon is not working and people are using the crossing and the notices stating the crossing is not in operation have been moved. It was agreed that it was dangerous and red tape should be put across to prevent people using it.	PW PW PW/CLERK
2601.	GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE. a) Gary Stringer reporting that the overgrown hedge between Mr Vanner and Stock Road has been found to be growing from the other side of the boundary and is actually rooted on highways land. Clerk reported matter to Highways. b) Gary Stringer reported that he has been forced to make a planning application for removal and reduction of several trees of his boundary with Mr Vanner. James McCarthy of CBC has advised that a TPO will be put on the large Pine which Mr Stringer fully supports. A Horse Chestnut and Beech will be pollarded rather than be removed. The large cherry will have to be removed as it is deemed as causing root damage as are the conifers. Mr Stringer advised that he is against this application but cannot avoid compliance with his insurers. Cllr. Woodward had spoken to James McCarthy regarding the matter but he had not yet received the planning application. c) Moira Mason of ECC had received a request to provide a bus shelter at Stock Church and enquired whether the Parish Council would support it. The new shelter would match the one installed last year in the High Street. Cllrs. Dixon and Millernas advised the Clerk to respond advising that if a grant were available the Parish Council would support the idea. After discussion it was agreed that this was totally inappropriate and unnecessary and the majority were against the proposal. Clerk to advise Moira Mason. d) Janet Alderman of CBC advising of the Places People Play – Inspired Facilities. The scheme is designed to support voluntary and public sector groups to refurbish and improve existing facilities or develop an existing building for sports use in the community. Cllr. Woodward to look into matter. e) Gemma Prigmore of ECC advising that Stock Lane will be temporarily closed for a distance of 25 metres either side of the centre of Buttsbury Bridge from 25th July to 18th August while brick parapet repair works are undertaken on the bridge. Cllr. Lee said that the bridge needs a width restriction as it is hit time and time again. It was agreed that the Clerk should ask Highways to repair the potholes on Stock Road up to the bridge whilst road is closed.	CLERK PW CLERK
2602.	PLANNING MATTERS. <u>Applications</u> Application No. 11/00708/FUL. Change of use of land to burial site. Location: Our Lady and St. Joseph Church, Stock Applicant: Rt. Rev. Thomas McMahon. The Parish Council had no comments to make. Application No. 11/01087/FUL. Two storey detached farm manager's house with detached double garage and lay out parking and amenity areas. Location: Fristling Hall Farm, Swan Lane, Stock Applicant: Mr & Mrs Sharp. The Parish Council had no comments to make. Application No. 11/00945/FUL. Enlargement of existing entrance gate and access. Location: Dartmeet, 1 Mill Lane, Stock Applicant: Mr C. Beaumont. The Parish Council commented that the property has got adequate access already and this is excessive. This will impact on visual amenity on a prominent corner.	CLERK CLERK CLERK

Application No. 11/01062/FUL. Amendment to permission 10/01840/FUL (Construction of new outbuilding for garden equipment store, changing rooms and green all weather surface tennis court) to alter the room from pitched to flat roof with conservatory style top. Location: The Plantation, Mill Road, Stock Applicant: Mr. A. Turk. The Parish Council had no comments to make.	CLERK
Application No. 11/00889/FUL. Retrospective application for conversion of integral single garage into habitable accommodation. Removal of garage door and addition of 2 windows, one to front elevation and one to side. Location: 34 Well Lane, Stock. Applicant: Mr Paul Cameron. The Parish Council commented that they do not support retrospective applications.	CLERK
<u>Chelmsford Borough Council Planning Decisions</u>	
Application No. 11/00848/FUL. Variation of Condition 9 of planning permission 10/01889/FUL (Replacement dwelling and garage) to allow outbuildings to be constructed more than 5 m from the dwelling house. Location: Willow Brook, Stock Road, Stock Applicant: Mr J. Mason. Approved.	
Application No. 11/00799/ETL. Extension of time to permission reference 08/01454/FUL for new detached garage. Location: 1 Rectory Close, Stock Applicant: Mr Mark Small. Approved.	
Application No. 11/00789/CLEUD. Use of building as a dwelling house. Location: The Hawthorns, Marigold Lane, Stock Applicant: Mr K. Squibbs. Approved.	
<u>Applications for Works to be carried out on trees in Conservation Area and trees that have Tree Preservation Orders.</u>	
Application No. 11/05144/TPO. T1 – Yew adjacent side of property – crown reduce by 1.5m to form a balanced shape; crown lift to 2m (TPO/2010/029). Location: The Cottage, Whites Hill, Stock. Applicant: Mr P. Berry. The Parish Council had no comments to make.	CLERK
Application No. 11/05549/CAT. 10 x Lime - roadside boundary - crown lift to 3m, cutting to branch collar as necessary for 5 years. 2 x Robinia - roadside boundary - fell to ground and grind stumps 1 x Lime - roadside boundary - re-coppice Location: Bishops House, Stock Road, Stock. Applicant: Chelmsford Diocese C/o Agent. Approved.	
Application No. 11/05100/TPO. A1 - Horse Chestnut - adjacent front drive 5 Hereward Mount - crown reduction by 1m maximum, shape over to leave a natural profile and give clearance to drive; Ash and Sycamore in front garden - generally tidy to rebalance; Horse Chestnut in rear garden - shorten back weeping limb extending towards house to bring back into crown, reduce height by 2m maximum, reshape to natural profile; management plan to clear epicormic growth to a height of 3m from ground level annually for a period of 5 years; Prunus in rear garden - lightly trim to reshape canopy and give clearance to new tree. All cuts to suitable growing points. Location: 5 Hereward Mount, Stock. Applicant: Patricia Hughes. Approved.	
Application No. 11/05103/TPO. Oak, Ash, Hornbeam and Silver Birch (W1 2009/010) - North East corner of wood - coppice Hornbeam & Silver Birch; Oak and Ash to remain as standards (block to be separated into six equal sized compartments and one compartment to be coppiced yearly over a six year period). Location: Ladygrove Woods, Stock Road, Stock. Applicant: Mr Ian Davis. Approved.	

	Application No. 11/05092/TPO. Pine (T2 2007/070) - centre of rear garden - crown lift by removing lowest whorl of branches and then lift hanging laterals to 2m, cutting to branch collar or suitable growing points Tulip tree (T4 2007/070) - rear garden - crown lift to 2m cutting to branch collar Oak & Ash (T5 - T10 2007/070) - roadside boundary - remove weak and crossing branches, cutting to branch collar; remove deadwood over 25mm in diameter, crown lift over the road to 6m, cutting to suitable growing points Copper Beech (G1 2007/070) - southern boundary - crown lift to 2m removing sub laterals, cutting to branch collar. Location: Landry, Whites Hill, Stock Applicant: Mr Day. Approved. <u>Planning Appeals and Decisions.</u> Nothing to report. <u>Tree Preservation Orders.</u> TPO/2011/023 – 28 Well Lane - confirmed without variation on 8th July 2011. Cllr. Johnson declared an interest. <u>Planning Correspondence</u> Planning Contributions for Local Amenity Space – Awaiting quotes for beacon to submit to CBC. Cllr. Fairman dealing with matter. He had got images of beacons and had sent them to an Iron Works for a quotation. It was suggested that the beacon is put on Mr Holder’s land. Cllr. Fairman to speak to him to see if this is acceptable. Cllr. Fairman advised that the Parish Council need to find a groundsman. As the location is on the boundary of a roman settlement Cllr. Fairman advised that he needs to check whether planning permission is needed. It was agreed that Cllr. Fairman would register the beacon with the Pageant Master. <u>Urgent Planning Matters Not On This Agenda</u> Nothing to report.	NF																												
2603.	FINANCE. Cheques to be Signed - <table><tr><td>101655</td><td>£1,283.01</td><td>Mrs L.J. Green</td><td>Salary 01.07.11 – 31.07.11</td></tr><tr><td>101656</td><td>£ 453.36</td><td>HM Revenue and Customs Only</td><td>PAYE and N.I.</td></tr><tr><td>101657</td><td>£ 90.00</td><td>Royal British Legion Stock</td><td>Hire of Hall</td></tr><tr><td>101658</td><td>£ 49.18</td><td>Mrs L.J. Green</td><td>Expenses</td></tr><tr><td>101659</td><td>£ 54.00</td><td>Wicksteed Leisure Ltd</td><td>Play Area Inspection</td></tr><tr><td>101660</td><td>£ 546.70</td><td>Mr. P.H. Williams</td><td>Grass Cutting June</td></tr><tr><td>101661</td><td>£ 128.80</td><td>Mr P.H. Williams</td><td>Grass Cutting Churchyard</td></tr></table> Transfers - On 21st July 2011 £3,000.00 was transferred from Base Rate Tracker Account to Current Account. Budget 2010/11 – Nothing to report. Audit of Accounts for 2010/11 – Nothing to report.	101655	£1,283.01	Mrs L.J. Green	Salary 01.07.11 – 31.07.11	101656	£ 453.36	HM Revenue and Customs Only	PAYE and N.I.	101657	£ 90.00	Royal British Legion Stock	Hire of Hall	101658	£ 49.18	Mrs L.J. Green	Expenses	101659	£ 54.00	Wicksteed Leisure Ltd	Play Area Inspection	101660	£ 546.70	Mr. P.H. Williams	Grass Cutting June	101661	£ 128.80	Mr P.H. Williams	Grass Cutting Churchyard	
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2604.	COUNCILLOR/CLERK’S REPORT. Cllr. Grundy reported that there had been a full Council meeting at CBC and the North Area Action Plan had been cleared after 7 years work. It is now open to developers to submit applications. The Sites Allocations document was also passed. Cllr. Grundy advised that the Speed Management Survey of all the roads in Essex is still on-going. The Heritage Society have got a meeting on 3rd August with ECC Property Department to discuss the old library. There will be a Fun Run on the 10th September called Rise and Shine and the proceeds are going to an orphanage in Africa. The road is not going to be closed just coned and marshaled. The main race is 3 miles and 1 mile for children.																													

	There has been a restructuring of Police and the telephone number has now changed. Jo Lee to publish in Stock Press. Following Lord Hanningfield's imprisonment Cllr. Hume is currently representing Stock until a Bi-Election is held. Cllr. Lee reported that Environmental Health had been called out following a Wedding at The Bear recently which was very chaotic and noisy. The Officer had declared that it was too loud. Cllr. Grundy to follow matter up. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Mr Raeburn of Kingfisher, Mill Road, regarding clearing the hardcore from outside his property as it had been there for some time now.	JL IG CLERK
2605.	DISCUSSION ITEMS. Stock Library – Meeting to be held on 3rd August. Celebrations for Diamond Jubilee in 2012 - Beacons being discussed. Parking in the Village – Defer to next meeting. Cllr. Dixon dealing with matter. State of the Common and other areas of Stock, including the pond in Mill Road - Cllr. Johnson was horrified about the non-existent work on the pond and Common. Cllr. Woodward reported that all around the Pavilion and Car Park the grass was very thick and had not been strimmed at all. The grass was so thick in the play area that parents were complaining. Clerk to write to Mr Williams and ask him to meet Cllr. Johnson and Woodard. Data Protection – Cllr. Dixon looking at document. Salt Bags – The Clerk advised that ECC are in the process of obtaining quotes and figuring out logistics to see if they can run the scheme again but this time making it available to the whole county. Once received, they will discuss options with the new Cabinet Member for Highways and get a steer from her as how she wishes to proceed. Until she has reviewed the information and presented it to her peers, it cannot be confirmed what ECC will be doing. The feedback ECC had was that parishes did find it took time to set up the scheme so they will try to publicise any decision as soon as possible. Proposed Changes to Essex County Council's Recycling Centres for Household Waste (RCHW) Service – The Clerk read out a letter regarding the consultation. Cllr. Grundy advised that it is proposed that Mountnessing will be closed on a Tuesday. He also confirmed that food waste will be coming in very shortly. Small jobs to be completed around the village - Cllr. Dixon had spoken to Bob Hale who was happy to take on the contract of doing various odd jobs around the village. It had been agreed that there would be a limit of a maximum of 20 hours per month at a rate of £12.00 per hour. The Parish Council are to discuss and agree the jobs at each meeting and the Clerk to notify Mr Hale the next day. Equally Mr Hale may notice things that he thinks need doing and will tell the Parish Council accordingly. After discussion, Mr Hale's appointment was agreed by a unanimous decision. Cllr. Johnson advised that Mr Hale will officially start on the 1st August 2011. It was agreed that Mr Hale should be asked to paint the gates on the B1007 Chelmsford and Billericay side and repair the posts around the War Memorial which are broken. Mr Hale should also de-weed the War Memorial, carry out general litter picking in the village and rake the gravel in the church car park. Clerk to advise Mr Hale of the work.	JD CLERK/SJ/PW JD CLERK
2606.	RISK ASSESSMENT. Nothing to report. Cllr. Dixon dealing with matter.	JD
2607.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING. The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 15th August 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. No planning meeting will be held in August. The next Planning Meeting will be held on 5th September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.	
2608.	CLOSED MEETING FOR OPENING TENDERS. Nothing to discuss.	

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming; the meeting closed at 9.20pm.

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