

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday, 27th. August, 1987 at 8 pm in the School.

PRESENT

Mr. Dixon in the Chair, Mr. Range, Mrs. Brooks, Mr. Jacklin, Mr. Rackham, Mr. Holland, the Clerk and seven members of the public.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr. Parker.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were amended and signed.

QUESTION TIME

Mrs. Gordon of the Limes

Mrs. Gordon asked on behalf of other members of the public about the meeting of members of the P.C. with the Cobb management. She was told that this would be reported under Matters Arising.

Mr. McGarvey of Clinton Close

Mr. McGarvey wanted to know the future of the telephone box on the Tye, as the older type boxes are now being replaced by a new design. This was also to be a subject for discussion later.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

White Lining, Old Church Road/Tye junction

This has been done.

Light in Bus Shelter

This has been fitted but has not yet been seen working.

Audit

The audit has been completed. The auditor wished to see a copy of the Loan Sanction for the Hall loan. The Clerk is to send this in due course.

Cobb Meeting

Mr. Dixon, Mr. Jacklin and the Clerk met Mr. Pinkerton at Cobb on Thursday, 30th. July, at 2pm. P.C. asked why another building was required so soon after the new hatchery had been built. The reply was that a boom in the market had taken Cobb by surprise and could not have been foreseen. P.C. asked why a new building could not be sited on another part of the holding away from the houses, as the renovation of the old building was going to be as expensive as building a new one. The reply was that it was not possible to build near the other poultry sheds, at the far end of the field, because of possible cross-contamination. It was not possible to build on the East side of the new hatchery because a water main runs alongside. It was not possible to build to the North of the new hatchery because that is the loading bay.

Mr. Dixon had received a call from Mr. Pinkerton expressing concern at the P.C.'s reaction to the plans and also the neighbours' reactions, and asking for another meeting. Mr. Dixon declined another meeting as Mr. Pinkerton had already fully explained the Cobb point of view.

It was decided that the Clerk should contact Mr. Pinkerton, prior to the C.B.C. Planning Meeting, to ask if he had anything new to say and to suggest that he contacts the neighbours.

Fencing - The Tye

K Bond Building has supplied an estimate for the repair of the fence at £117.78. Prudential Insurance accepts liability on behalf of their insured. Clerk to ask K Bond Building to proceed.

White Lining - Post Office Chase

Wilson & Scott Highways Ltd quoted £100 for three parking bays to be marked and Keep Clear to be painted on the Chase. The quote was circulated and agreed between Meetings.

Litter

Rubbish has been dumped on the verge at the S bend in Pan Lane and continues to be dumped in the layby behind Rails Farmhouse. Environmental Health has already been informed.

Footway - Old Church Road

The footway has been cleared but the overhead branches remain.

Three Horseshoes

P.H. is currently unoccupied while awaiting alterations. The hedge and undergrowth is growing over the footpath which runs alongside the back garden causing pedestrians to walk very close to the kerb and in the road. Trumans to be told and to be reminded about tarmac. Lord Petre to be asked to intervene if no satisfactory answer appears.

Concrete Posts Outside Police House

Clerk has written to the lady who caused the damage and is to write again if no reply has been received after a month of the letter.

CORRESPONDENCEPossible Listing of K6 Telephone Boxes

Planning Dept. C.B.C. asking for older style telephone kiosks to be identified. Clerk has already replied but is also to write to English Heritage.

Conservation Work in the Parish

The Essex Naturalists' Trust Ltd. offer to undertake conservation work and charge only for travelling expenses. Mr. Parker and Mr. Jacklin are to discuss the possibilities.

Anglian Water - Open Evening

Mr. Dixon has received an invitation to the evening at Chelmsford on the 8th. September, from 7 - 8.30, but is unable to attend. Mr. Holland to attend in his place.

Record Office

E.R.O. has sent a copy of the catalogue of documents deposited by P.C. Minute Book 1894-1937 D/J 2/1/1.

Minute Book 1937-1974 D/J 2/1/2.

Declarations of Acceptance of Office 1894-1967 D/J 2/2/1

Essex Structure Plan

Planning Dept. E.C.C. informs P.C. that the First Alteration to the County Structure Plan is available in three documents at a cost of £12.50. Mr. Dixon is to try to borrow copies from C.B.C.

Bulk Litter Container

Two skips will be in the lay-by behind Rails Farmhouse from 15th. September until the morning of 17th. September.

E.C.C. Public Transport Plan 1988/89

Document PTP 10 is to be circulated.

Byelaw Sign on Telecom Pole

B.T. has sent a list of conditions to be agreed by P.C. before a byelaw sign may be attached to the pole near the Church.

FINANCE

The following cheques were signed between Meetings:

Association of Chelmsford

District P.C.s

12.00 Annual Subscription

Chelmsford B.C.

75.00 Erect Village Hall Sign

Municipal Journal Ltd.

4.00 2 copies Parish Councillor's Handbook

£12 was deposited in the current account, this was payment for a full page

advertisement in the September Newsletter.

At the Meeting the following cheques were signed:

The Printing Place	£107.00	September Issue of Newsletter
Furnitubes International Limited	£144.77	Concrete Litter Bin
Hanna's Field Charity	£61.60	Rent for Hall for playweek and entertainer
Public Works Loan Account		
	£1,120.78	Hall Loan
T. Dixon	£41.59	Groundsman, 19½ hours at £2.133

PLANNING

Three Horseshoes Amended Plans LB/CHL/31/87

Proposed refurbishment of public house to include extensions to the cellar, kitchen and bar areas. There were no objections.

Claydons Manor LB/CHL/70/87

Rendering to replace weatherboard on gable of Southern elevation. Clerk to ask Planning Dept. for a stay of time and if there is any further information available. Plans to be circulated.

CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING

There is to be a meeting in the Village Hall for all the East and West Hanningfield helpers on the List. This will be on 1st. October at 7.30 pm. The evening course at C.B.C. is to be attended by Mr. Morris and Mr. Botha. At the H.F.C. Fun Day, 5th. Sept., amateur radio enthusiasts in E.H. are to set up a radio tent to link up with C.B. enthusiasts in W.H., Mr. Thacker and Mr. Bonner.

REPLACEMENT OF WOODEN SEAT ON THE TYE

Municipal Mutual wishes to see the replacement invoice before proceeding with the claim for the seat which was destroyed by vandalism. It was decided to purchase the Rothesay seat from Barlow Tyrie when funds permit. The current price is £172.97 & VAT.

ESTATE AGENT'S SIGNS ON THE TYE

Bairstow Eves planted a for sale sign on the Tye on the morning of Wednesday, 19th. August. The Danbury Office has been asked to remove signs on previous occasions. The last time was about two months ago. Mr. Holland proposed that P.C. should proceed with a prosecution. This was agreed but the Clerk is to investigate possible costs first.

MORTGAGE OF HANNA'S FIELD

H.F.C. is able to have an interest free loan to pay for the architects' fees for the abortive village hall project. Repayments to begin in five years, when the Sports Council loan has been repaid. The Charity Commissioners have already agreed to the loan. H.F.C. is yet to minute agreement. As P.C. is still custodian trustee of the land, it was decided that P.C. agreement should also be minuted. The P.C. agreed to the loan.

PLAYWEEK REPORT

Playweek was held in the Village Hall. The small hall and the kitchen were inconstant use and the large hall was used twice for half an hour at a time, when the field was too wet to play on, and for one hour for a basketball game. 74 children and 20 adults came to watch the entertainer on the Wednesday morning, 19th. Aug., and other session had an average of 43 children attending, 52 children came to the picnic on the Thursday lunchtime.

Two playworkers were supplied by C.B.C.. All the other helpers were voluntary. Some of the equipment used was supplied by Playgroup and some by C.B.C. and the School. Art materials to the value of £40.70 were ordered from County Supplies, and, apart from paper, enough of this remains for another playweek.

The Clerk was thanked for the organization of the Playweek and is to write to Leisure Services thanking that department for supporting Playweek.

ALLOCATION OF FOOTPATHS FOR WALKING

The list of footpaths is to be circulated so that councillors may choose which paths they wish to walk.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Village Sign

Mr. Rackham suggested that Mabbitts of Colchester might be able to make a village sign.

E.C.C. Transport Representatives Meeting

Mr. Dixon offered to attend the meeting in the place of Mr. Jacklin, who is unable to attend. The meeting will be on 15th. October, at 2.30 pm at County Hall.

Trees in Ashley Green

One malus has died and two more are infected with woolly aphid. Parks Dept. is to be asked for advice.

Childrens Play Equipment

Long grass is growing around the climbing frame on Hanna's Field which could conceal broken glass. Mr. Jacklin is to ask Parks Dept. about safety in play areas.

Road Safety

The campaign this winter will be against drinking and driving, and there will also be a campaign about the safety of children in cars.

Verge Damage

The grass verge between the Plough and Sail and Pan Lane has been damaged by lorries. Tyres have been left in the lay-by opposite the Pan Lane junction on the A130. The Pan Lane sign where Pan Lane joins Old Church Rd. is missing.

Bicycles

Children have been seen riding their bicycles down the drop kerb near the Old Church Road/Tye junction without looking to see if there is any traffic coming. It is to be suggested to Constable Franklin that he speaks to the children at the school about certain dangerous places in the village.

Tech. Services is to be asked whether raising the kerb would slow down the cyclists.

Gas

Mr. Dixon was recently asked by a member of the public about the possibility of having gas in the village. He is to pursue another line of enquiry.

Church Ditch

The Clerk is to ask for the ditch in front of the Church to be cleared.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10.20.

Pan Lane Sign

Verge Damage

Road near Sub station Ashley Green

Footpath Ashley Green + Bridon Close

30mph Speed limit signs obscured by growth

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday, 26th. November, 1987 at 8.10 pm in the School.

PRESENT

Mr. Dixon in the Chair, Mr. Rackham, Mr. Jacklin, Mrs. Brooks, the Clerk and one member of the public.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr. Range, Mr. Holland and Mr. Morris. Mr. Parker indicated that he would be late.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was decided to wait until Mr. Parker arrived to sign the Minutes, as, of the Councillors present, only Mr. Dixon and Mr. Rackham had been present for the whole of the previous Meeting.

QUESTION TIME

Mr. Emmines of Altair had sent a questionnaire to P.C., prior to the Meeting, asking for villagers to be prepared to lend camping stoves, freezer space and use of washing machines and baths in the event of another long term power cut. He was without power for eight days after the gales in October. Mr. Emmines was thanked for his initiative and was told that the subject would be discussed under Correspondence.

MATTERS ARISING

Bus Shelter Notice Board

Mr. Rackham had obtained a sample of Sundeala Board. This is obtainable from Browns of Chelmsford at about £20-£22 for a 8'x 4' sheet $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick. It was decided to order "A" Quality which is moisture proof and to ask Joe Grace for a quotation for installation. It was decided to install a piece 8' x 2' and retaining the off-cut for future use.

W.C. Ware of Basildon instead. Brown does not stock A Quality. Coming end of month

Bairstow Eyes

Another sign had appeared on the Tye on 14th. November, but was removed the same day after Clerk contacted the Maldon office. The signs at Rails Farmhouse were also collected. The problem had been caused by a new board contractor.

Lorry Speed

Mr. Rackham has written to Road Safety about lorry speeds. There has been another fatal accident at the Rettendon Bell, this time involving a tanker.

Youth Club

The financial report is awaited. Mr. McGarvy plans to hold a meeting of parents to set up a management committee and to organize extra help.

White Lining

The Keep Clear sign outside the School gate is being disregarded, mainly at lunch time. Mrs. Taverner is to be asked to request parents and staff to keep this area clear.

Three Horse Shoes

The branches on the grass have been left there to prevent vehicles parking on it. Mr. Dixon has talked with Joe Coates about the condition of the Tye carpark. Further encroachment of the building site onto the carpark is to be stopped. There is now an unobstructed path for pedestrians which is occasionally blocked by delivery vehicles. Clerk is to write to Joe Coates drawing his attention to the need to keep the footpath clear at all times.

Village Hall Sign

Technical Services has collected the sign and is now aware of the name of the person who damaged it.

*Village Hall Sign
has been
reinstated*

CORRESPONDENCERoyal British Legion

The brochure is to be circulated. Further copies are available.

Street Light - Village Hall Entrance

It is the policy of E.C.C. not to provide funds for new installations. C.B.C. will only fund maintenance and energy charges. P.C. is presently seeking a quotation from E.E. for a column light. Mrs. Thomas of H.F.C. is to be informed.

Sandon P.C.

Anne Gayler of Sandon P.C. and Howe Green Residents Assoc. has sent copies of her correspondence regarding the Howe Green Bypass. To be circulated. Mr. Dixon has encouraged Rettendon and W. Hanningfield P.C.s to participate in an A130 Assoc.

Eastern Angles

H.F.C. has responded favourably to the possibility of having the production of A Tale of the Turf performed in the Village Hall. Clerk is to inform Leisure Services.

Annual National Conference - Society Local Council Clerks

Clerk thought she would not be able to attend this year, 8 - 10th April 1988.

Mr. Parker arrived at this point of the Meeting.

Multi Use Hard Play Area

The grant has been ratified by the Policy and Resources Committee. Final decision will be known in March.

Improvement to Village Hall

The grant to install a lower ceiling in the small hall has been ratified by the Policy and Resources Committee.

Storm Damage - N.A.L.C.

Mr. Dixon disagreed with the suggestion in the circular that damage done by trees falling into neighbouring property should be repaired by the owners of the tree. Liability is based on negligence, and because no-one could have been prepared for the worst gales in three hundred years there was no negligence if a tree was blown down. Clerk to reply to E.A.L.C.

Structure Plan - First Alteration

Receipt of representation acknowledged.

Clerks' Business Lunch

To be held at Thaxted 4th. December, 1987. Clerk had already booked this as applications had to be received by 25th. November. It was agreed that this could be included in Clerk's expenses. The cost was £7.

Municipal Mutual

C.B.C.'s insurers asked for an extract from the Minutes regarding damage done to the road at Highfields Mead by lorries and details as to when C.B.C. was informed of this.

Eastern National

E.N. has replied to Clerk's letter complaining about change of bus times. The service was changed to fit in with the bus frequency along the section of road between Southend and Rayleigh. The early morning journeys have been changed back to allow school children to get to school on time, but no others are to be changed. Mr. Jacklin reported that six weeks notice has been given to E.C.C. for the cancellation of the last bus out of Chelmsford in the evening. P.C. has already stated that there should be a late evening bus which would be more useful than a midevening bus as it would allow people to visit Chelmsford for the evening. Clerk to write to E.N. and E.C.C. public transport officer.

*E.C.C. is to continue
a service from
Chelmsford to
Rayleigh leaving
10/28.*

Footpaths

Tech. Services has asked for three specific footpath concerns in the Parish. Mr. Parker produced four. 1. Barbed wire fence obstructing footpath 22. 2. Footpath 17 is blocked where it meets the A130. 3. Footpath 25 is blocked at its junction with Rettendon Road. 4. Footpath 13 requires a bridge over Sandon Brook.

Speed Complaint - The Tye

Essex Police policy is to deter rather than prosecute, therefore it is "good practice to have a visible presence during such checks be it by a patrol car or officer in fluorescent clothing". Suggest illusory tactics might help the situation. Mr. Rackham to find out what this means.

Post Office Vans on Tye

Action has been taken to prevent a recurrence. The parking of post office vans on verges and footpaths is to be monitored.

Contingency Plan for Loss of Power

Mr. Emmine has offered to give Mr. Morris assistance should he go ahead with the idea. Clerk is to contact Mr. Morris on the subject of this plan.

FINANCEMortgage of Hanna's Field

P.C. has received £3,562 from C.B.C. to pay for the abortive architects' fees. Clerk has received a copy of the Legal Charge. The charge will be repaid by annual instalments of £650.40 for five years the first of such instalments to be payable on 13th. November, 1992.

Tarmac

P.C. had been advised by C.B.C. that the Tarmac invoice was incorrect, but on investigation it was found to be correct. It was decided to sign the cheque for Tarmac and withhold it until C.B.C. pays the remainder of the grant.

Grass Cutting

Mr. Jacobs has submitted a quotation for next year's mowing, at £21 & VAT for the Tye and £30 & VAT for Hanna's Field. Clerk is to contact Parks Dept. for a quotation for gang mowing.

*Parks Dept
has agreed
to supply
a quotation*

Deposits

The following sums have been received and deposited in the current account:

£117.78 Mr. Reade's Insurance claim for damage to Tye fence

£3,252.00 Mortgage of Hanna's Field for Architects' Fee.

£3 has been received for an advertisement in December Newsletter.

Cheques

The following cheques were signed:

J. Grace	16.50	Installation of concrete bin
Wilson and Scott Ltd.	115.00	White Lining
M.D.L. Jacobs	121.61	Mowing the Tye & Hanna's Field
R. Harvey	39.12	Tree cutting & replacement blade
Royal British Legion	25.00	Wreath for Remembrance Sunday
Tarmac Roadstone Ltd.	3,249.27	Surfacing of Village Hall Entrance and Carpark
The Printing Place	102.00	December Newsletter printing
Mrs. C. Holland	20.04	Editor's expenses
Jenvey and Clark	3,251.90	Architects' Fee.

PLANNING1996/87 Mullion, Old Church Road

P.C. had no objection to the kitchen extension, but noted that the certificate under Section 27 had not been correctly completed.

1912/87 Bywaters, The Tye

There was no objection to the proposed chimney.

1934/87 27 Highfield Mead

P.C. had no objection to the two ground floor front extensions.

1925/87 Plough and Sail P.H., Southend Road

P.C. had no objection to the single storey rear extension to form laundry and additional kitchen area, but concern was voiced over the number of

Planning Applications relating to this property which are received for consideration. P.C. queried what the final intention is as there appears to be a proliferation of activity on this site.

2005/87LB Rails Farmhouse, Old Church Road

Mr. Dixon declared an interest and left the room. Mr. Parker took the Chair. P.C. had no objection to the replacement outbuilding.

Mr. Dixon resumed the Chair.

General Development Order

Mr. Rackham pointed out the apparent discrepancy which allows large buildings such as garages to be built outside the village envelope but does not allow people to add living accomodation or restricts the amount of additional living space which can be added. The Govt. is relaxing the controls of the G.D.O. so more of this kind of development is being allowed. It was decided to ask C.B.C. for a senior member of the planning staff to attend a P.C. Meeting for a discussion.

PRECEPT

The actual cost of this year's grass cutting was found to be nearly £450 which was the amount budgeted for next year, so it was decided to increase next year's grass cutting budget by £100 to £550.

The first quotation obtained for tree work was for £475. About £40 has already been spent. It was decided that £600 should be allowed for the tree work and should be recovered in the 1988/89 precept.

It was decided that P.C. would require a precept of £7,380 for 1988/89.

The exceptional circumstances justified the increase. Self help had already reduced the overall cost of the tree work to a minimum.

E.C.C. PUBLIC TRANSPORT REPRESENTATIVES LIAISON MEETING 15/10/87

Present

Mr. Dixon represented P.C. Twelve parishes were represented. Mike Merton, Robin Wheatcroft and Julie Boon attended on behalf of E.C.C. Guy Shorter, Olive Cox and Chris Marks of Tech. Services Attended for C.B.C. and Nick Shuttleworth for R.C.C.E.

E.C.C. role in Public Transport Following De-regulation

There are two types of services, Commercial services which are not subsidised and contracted services which are subsidised. E.C.C. has no control over the commercial services, but the operator has a statutory obligation to give six weeks notice of an alteration to a service to the Traffic Commissioners. De-regulation was intended to encourage competition but E.N. has virtually none. E.C.C. will not necessarily accept the lowest tender for a contracted service, sometimes cost/benefit criteria are substituted. E.C.C. is to publish a newsletter to P.C.s and to encourage cross referencing between parishes and operators. E.C.C. has adopted a role to promote and publicise services. This includes the production of timetable books, slip timetable handouts for individual routes and monthly announcements of timetable changes in the Yellow Advertiser. E.C.C. is also promoting the Sunday Saver ticket. E.C.C. is asking all passengers to check their tickets for errors as there have been cases of fraud. If a route is being defrauded of its true revenue the bus company might think it is uneconomical. E.C.C. also wishes to be advised of complaints about services, but is unable to exert pressure on operators to take initiatives.

CONDUCT OF THE HUNT

The hunt met at the Windmill on 17th. November. There were horses on the Tye. One man asked to take his horse off footpath was abusive. A man called Rawlings from Southend circled his horse on the Tye damaging the turf. Although the P.C. is not anti-hunting, it is felt that E.Hanningfield is an inappropriate place to meet. The horse boxes and vans overflowed the Windmill carpark and P.O. Chase, so that customers for the shop and

for the P.H. had nowhere to park. Clerk is to write to the hunt, the Essex Farmers and Union, to explain the byelaws, how they had been breached and to describe the abusive behaviour of some members. The senior authority is also to be contacted as is Trumans. It is to be emphasised that the P.C. is not anti-hunting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Rackham asked what became of some of the informative leaflets which were circulated amongst Councillors, he was particularly interested in the Chiropody Service and a Health Service film. Clerk replied that when ever possible this information was posted on the notice board in the Village Hall, but these particular subjects would be investigated further.

Footpaths

Mr. Parker asked for reports from footpath walking.

Poppy Appeal

Collection boxes in the village totalled £143.93 this year.

Flooding

Clerk has received complaints about the flooding of the footpath in Old Church Road, these have been passed on to Tech. Services. Clerk has taken photographs of the flooding on the footpath between Coude Dennis and the footbridge. Housing is to be reminded that it is a year since they were last informed of the deteriorated condition of the path, and no work has been done.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes were signed.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10.50.

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday, 17th. December, 1987 at 8.10 pm in the School.

PRESENT

Mr. Dixon in the Chair, Mr. Holland, Mr. Jacklin, Mr. Range, Mr. Rackham, the Clerk and two members of the public.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr. Parker and Mrs. Brooks.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes were signed.

QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING

This item was brought forward so that Mr. Morris would be able to leave the Meeting early.

Mr. Emmines Complaint and Suggestion

Mr. Emmines is to join the East Hanningfield Civil Protection Subcommittee. His particular interest will be the alleviation of inconvenience.

Training Sessions

Mr. Morris has now completed the 13 week course, which ended with a visit to the UK Warning and Monitoring Organization at Colchester.

Subcommittees

The following have agreed to form the East Hanningfield Subcommittee:

Mr. Dunlevy, Mrs. Plumridge, Mr. Warsop, Mr. Emmines, Mrs. Plastow with Mr. Morris as Chairman. For West Hanningfield the following have agreed to attend an inaugural meeting: Mrs. Hammond, Mr. Ball, Mr. West, Mr. Wallis with Mr. Morris as Chairman. Mr. Wallis will be the contact for W.H.P.C.

East Hanningfield Helper List

Mr. Morris stressed the need for people with organizational ability to join the helper list, and that the Parish Councillors fall within this category. All the Councillors present agreed to join the list.

MATTERS ARISING

Bus Shelter Noticeboard

Clerk has ordered the Sundeala board from W.C. Ware of Basildon instead of Browns of Chelmsford, because Browns do not stock the exterior quality. The board will be delivered to Rails Farmhouse, and a cheque has already been signed for the full amount. Parish Council agreed to accept the slightly higher price of £27.37 including VAT.

Board has been delivered + Mr Grace asked to install.

Grass Cutting

C.B.C. Parks Dept. has agreed to supply a quotation for next year's grass cutting on the Tye and playing field. Mr. Phillips has asked to be able to supply a quotation as he now has equipment which is capable of cutting long and wet grass.

Newsletter

Mr. Golding of Highfield Mead has contacted the Clerk after she had asked for possible ideas for raising funds for a village sign. He is to seek donations. Clerk also asked if anyone was interested in twinning. Mr. Foster of East Hanningfield Road, Rettendon expressed interest and is to borrow the information pack.

Eastern National

When E.C.C. received six weeks notice of the cancellation of the last bus, it was put out to tender. The successful tender came from E.N. Starting from 2nd. January, the last bus leaving Chelmsford in the evening will be at 10.25 pm. The journey from Chelmsford to Rayleigh will be subsidized and from Rayleigh to Southend will be commercial. Mr. Jacklin is to seek confirmation of this and to press E.C.C. to produce material for door to door distribution to publicize the service in East Hanningfield, Howe Green and Rettendon. Howe Green Community Association and Rettendon Parish Council are to be contacted.

The results of the bus survey are still awaited.

Eastern Angles

Mr. Dixon saw the play at the Cramphorn Theatre, and advised H.F.C. that he felt it was not a suitable play for the first performance in the village hall. H.F.C. decided not to promote an unknown play and would wait for a better known play.

CORRESPONDENCEAssociation of Chelmsford District Parish Councils

Notice of the Annual General Meeting on 10th. May, 1988 has been received. Councillors are to consider whether they have any items for the Agenda. ?

Villages Evening 1988

This will be at the Chancellor Hall on 12th. February, 1988. Mr. Holland is to attend as the Vice Chairman. It was decided to nominate Mr. Franklin, policeman, Mr. Dunlevey, sub post master, and Mr. Morris, civil emergency planning officer.

The Hunt

Mr. Dixon had received a reply from the hunt secretary to his enquiries as to the identity of a man called Rawlings attending the hunt in the village. Rawlings is not a member and is not known by the secretary.

Bulk Refuse Containers

Environmental Health Dept. confirmed the booking of skips for this week.

Domestic Refuse Collections

Collections after Christmas will be two working days later than they have been and a further day later after New Year. The Civic Amenity Sites will be open every day except Christmas Day. Clerk has included this information on the skip posters.

Grass Cutting - The Tye

Mr. Jacobs replied to Clerk's enquiry about using tractor and gangs on the Tye. He said that he uses a small gang mower. His tractor is too large for the Tye. His quotation does not reflect the different equipment used.

FINANCETree Work

Arbescapes of Wickford has quoted £480. It was decided to accept Gatwood of South Woodham at £475 providing he can do the work within a month.

Village Hall Carpark

The cheque for £3,500 has been received from C.B.C. Clerk is to delay sending the cheque for £3,249 to Tarmac until the C.B.C. cheque is cleared.

Cheques

Prior to the Meeting the following cheque was signed:

W.C. Ware and Sons Ltd. £27.37 Board for bus shelter

At the Meeting the following cheque was signed:

K. Plumridge £217.36 Clerk's Salary Oct-Dec, expences and telephone

PLANNINGA/CHL/2039/87 Three Horsshoes

P.C. had no objection to the new 9" high gold leaf lettering to side and front elevations illuminated by swan neck cowl lights and the amenity board adjacent to the entrance door.

Clerk has received no reply from Joe Coates about the blocking of the footpath by vehicles delivering to the site.

6 Old Church Road

A 10' high aviary has been built to the rear of this house mainly from corrugated iron. Neighbours are complaining that this construction is an eyesore. Clerk to contact Housing Dept to find out whether this kind of building is allowed.

ANY OTHER BUSINESSSchool Chase

Quotation for light awaited from Eastern Electricity. Decision on turfing had been delayed because of the expence of the tree work.

Illusory Techniques

An example of an illusory technique to control traffic speed was to shorten the length of white lines on the road to give drivers the impression that their speed is increasing. Another way to control speed is to install rumble strips, but because this causes noise it is not suitable. It is not a suitable technique to be used near houses.

Drink/Driving Campaign

Posters not yet available although the campaign began on 8th. December.

School Crossing

Borough Highways is to be asked whether it would be possible to install a school warning sign with flashing lights near the school entrance.

C.B.C. Draft Capital Estimates

Housing Committee has set aside £250,000 for environmental improvements to the Coude Dennis Estate. This will include building porches to the flat entrances and extra parking provision.

Verges - Old Church Road

The verge between 5 and 11 is being used for parking which suggests the parking provision for these houses is inadequate, because of the dangerous bend it is not possible to park on the road. Housing to be informed.

Stationary

Clerk informed P.C. that it was necessary to order a fresh stock of headed paper with carbonless copies. The cost is 500 for £72 or 1000 for £114. It was decided to order the larger amount because of the overall saving.

Windmill

A car has been driven several times from the Windmill carpark across the Tye behind the bus shelter. Bollards are to be placed at the edge of the carpark. Clerk has informed Mrs. Chesterman of P.C. intention to do this.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.51.

January 88

Clerk¹

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday, 28th. January, 1988 at 8.03 pm in the School.

PRESENT

Mr. Dixon in the Chair, Mr. Holland, Mr. Jacklin, Mr. Range, Mr. Rackham, Mrs. Brooks, the Clerk, one member of the public and Mr. Tokely of C.B.C. Planning Dept.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr. Parker.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Minutes of the Meeting of 17th. December and the Planning Meeting of 14th. January were signed.

QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

MR. TOKELY OF C.B.C.

Mr. Tokely is Chief Planning Assistant in the Planning Department at C.B.C. and deals with that part of the Borough which is to the South of Chelmsford. He gave a general description of the work of the Planning Department which follows the guidelines set by the Essex County Structure Plan and the Chelmsford Town and Rural Areas Local Plans, and the separate planning laws covering buildings, advertisements, listed buildings and tree preservation. Mr. Tokely then answered councillors questions on a variety of planning topics.

Rogue Appeal Decisions

An appeal decision which was recognised by the Planning Dept. as a rogue decision would not be taken into account for future decision making and would not be used as a precedent.

Tree Preservation

A tree which has a preservation order must be replaced if cut down and the offender can be fined.

Village Envelope

It is not common for an appeal to uphold an application to build houses outside a village envelope. In the very few cases when it does happen the circumstances are usually unique and can be classed as infilling.

Old Church Road/Pan Lane

When original planning permission granted for two cottages and a house for agricultural workers there was no time limit set. Five year time limit came into being in 1968. In March 1973 foundations were dug, there fore the building has commenced and there is no time limit for completion. The condition stipulating occupation by agricultural workers only still stands.

R.A.L.P Annual Position Statement

Mr. Tokely is not involved with this so was unable to say when it is prepared or whether there is P.C. involvement.

Growth

Chelmsford is a high growth area which is recognised in the plan by the amount of building and industrial land being made available.

Change of Use - Agricultural Land and Buildings

The Government is sympathetic towards businesses starting in rural areas so planning officers have to tread carefully when seeking enforcement in cases of change of use without permission. Redundancy of buildings has to be investigated in depth. It is possible to use Planning Stop Notices but the Dept. is liable to pay compensation if the case is lost.

Amended plans

When the Parish Council receives amended plans it is not always obvious what the amendments are. Mr. Tokely suggested the Clerk contacts the Planning Dept. for information if there is any doubt, but it is the final plan which matters.

PLANNING

This item was brought forward so that Mr. Tokely could be present during the discussion.

2254/87 Silver Ash, Southend Road

There was no objection to the infill joining two domestic structures to form a lounge, but it was noted that these appeared to be the same plans which were refused by C.B.C. a few months ago. P.C. did not accept the new argument that the present lounge at the back needs to be converted into a bedroom because of increased noise from the A130 because the traffic census found that the amount of traffic had increased by only 10 per cent since the opening of the A12 bypass.

Mr. Tokely was thanked for his attendance at the Meeting and for his informative talk. Clerk is to write to the Director of Planning to thank him for Mr. Tokely's visit.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGEastern Angles

The Tale of the Turf had received good reviews in the newspapers but had been poorly attended in the Cramphorn Theatre, so it was found to be unattractive to potential audiences. Other productions will be considered in the future.

Three Horseshoes

Parish Councillors held a site meeting on Sunday, 24th. January. It was agreed to ask Joe Coates for a site meeting as soon as possible to ensure everything was going according to plan arranged and agreed at the previous site meeting. Clerk and Mr. Jacklin met Joe Coates at the Three Horseshoes the following morning, 25th. January. He confirmed that shingle was to be the final surface on top of the rolled red sand and granite chips. The grass is to be levelled to the height of the kerbing and turfed where necessary. The Scarles Croft entrance is to be levelled with the concrete gully which runs across it. Highways Dept. required an application for a new vehicular entrance as the entrance to the carpark was excavated and not just surfaced. Highways Dept. also required the Kerb by the road to be raised as it would have allowed water to run from the road into the carpark and stipulated the quality of the entrance. P.C. questioned the need for a 2 metre apron when only one metre had been agreed, but Highways said this width was necessary to prevent the shingle spreading onto the road. Clerk informed Highways of P.C. concern that the right of way across the carpark for pedestrians is frequently being blocked, so the Clerk of Works is going to investigate this when he visits the site. Written agreement is to be sought from the brewery about the maintenance of the work carried out. Clerk to seek legal advice from E.A.L.C. and inform Lord Petre of the present situation and what is intended.

6 Old Church Road

Housing Dept. agreed to the erection of an aviary but not of the size which was built. Planning permission is required for an aviary of this size.

Eastern National

Mr. Dixon met Mr. Kershaw on 18th. December. The retiming of the route without consultation was criticised. The need for communication with the villages was emphasised and timetable extracts requested. There are now some timetables in the shop. If possible timetable copies are to be distributed with the next Newsletter. E.N. will take no initiative to establish new routes and does not want a service which joins the villages. There are now only four buses on Sundays P.C. is to ask for an earlier

bus instead of one of the middle buses.

Mr. Jacklin has asked for house to house delivery of information but E.C.C. relies on E.N. to publicize services. E.C.C. has not yet tabulated the bus survey but has briefly summarized question 6. Of various towns suggested for a new service only S.W.F. had sufficient numbers to be taken up. P.C. is asked to say which day would be suitable and if departure at 10 am and return at 12.30 would be suitable. P.C. felt that people wanted a daily service to get them to work. This subject is to be on the Agenda at the next Meeting. Mr. Holland left at this point.

Bus Shelter Noticeboard

The board has been delivered and Mr. Grace has been asked to install it. He is to be asked to repaint the whole inside of the bus shelter because of the graffiti.

A.C.D.P.C. A.G.M.

Councillors had no items for the agenda. Mr. Jacklin is to attend the Meeting.

Hunt

Hon. Secretary of the E.F. & U. Hunt has forwarded copies of letter to the three joint masters, and has apologised. Grand Met. is bringing the matter to the attention of the Area Manager 'to take whatever action is felt appropriate'.

Mid Essex Community Health Council

It was felt the W.I. might be interested in the talk and film. The information about the chiropody service is to be circulated.

Old Church Road - Verge

There has been no response from Housing Dept.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PLANNING MEETING

There were no matters arising from the Planning Meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

E.A.L.C. Chairmen's Conference

Mr. Dixon is to attend the conference on 26th. March and Clerk is to ask Mr. Holland if he is able to attend.

Old Church Road

Tech. Services have included the footpath in next year's programme of works but this has not yet received approval from E.C.C.. C.B.C. is to make a specific request to E.C.C. for minor works to improve rural roads,

H.F.C. Revenue Account

P.C. must see H.F.C. accounts once a year so it is not necessary to see the quarterly accounts. H.F.C. Minutes are not to be circulated in future, but a quarterly report will be given to P.C. as an Agenda item.

Chelmsford Centenary

This information is to be forwarded to H.F.C. Information about the Mayor's Tree Appeal is to be circulated.

Hylands Park Action Committee

This is the anti-golf course campaign. P.C. feels a public golf course would be useful and would be helpful towards the maintenance of the house because it would make use of the inside of the building. Clerk is to reply opposing the campaign. Mr. Rackham commented that he was not able to make a decision on the matter as he had inadequate information to do so.

Parking on Pavements

Admin. Dept. C.B.C. has sent a list of the applicable legislation. P.C. Franklin is to be asked to speak to the offending parties in the parish and Clerk is to write on the subject for the next Newsletter, and find out when R.T.A. 72 36B comes into force.

Al30 Exhibition of Options

Item for Agenda next Meeting.

Recreation Review

To be circulated for consideration at next Meeting.

Rural Areas Local Plan

P.C. has received two copies which have been circulated.

Yellow Advertiser

Dumped newspapers have been investigated and dealt with.

Plough and Sail

Application to alter licensed area at the transfer session on Feb. 4th.
This has not received planning permission. P.C. does not comment.

FINANCE

At this point of the Meeting there was only one signatory present so Clerk is to obtain second signatures for the following cheques when possible:

Public Works Loan Account	£248.36	Field loan
Society of Local Council Clerks	£15.00	Annual Subscription 1988
Essex Association Local Councils		Amount to be entered on cheque when it is known whether or not Mr. Holland will attend conference, either £2 or £4.

Grass Cutting

Clerk has obtained the following quotations:

Jacobs	Tye	£21 & VAT
	Field	£30 & VAT
Parks Dept.	Tye	£12.40
	Field	£49. & possible transport costs for separate cuts
Phillips	Tye	£26
	Field	£35

It was decided to ask Jacobs to continue cutting for the coming season as long as he maintains a good results.

Village Hall Chase Light

Eastern Electricity has supplied quotations for the light.

Service	£129 & VAT
Complete lamp	£184 zero VAT

Clerk is to send copies of quotations to H.F.C. and ask if the Charity would like to contribute to the cost. The light is not a cost included in next year's precept.

Interest

Interest in the Deposit Account in December was £6.44.

CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNINGHelper Lists

Mr. Morris distributed updated helper lists to Councillors and Clerk.

Inaugural Meetings

Both East and West Hanningfield Committees have held their first meetings. Both parishes are preparing questionnaires for their parishioners. E.H. questionnaires to be delivered with March Newsletter. W.H. to be delivered by one lady. Both parishes are to be sectorised. Both primary schools could be used as emergency kitchens powered by the available generators. Mr. Morris hopes to test this possibility during the Summer holidays. Next E.H. meeting is 15th. March.

Mr. Morris was congratulated on the stage he had reached in the organization of the emergency planning.

FUTURE OF VILLAGE POST OFFICE

This item was deferred until the next Meeting because this Meeting was running very late.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Footpaths

Mr. Clark Footpaths Officer C.B.C. informed Clerk that he is to ask Mr. Chennels if he would like to apply for a Diversion Order as he has built across the public footpath. The alternative is to allow the public to walk through the building.

Ashley Green

The road surface near the electricity substation has not been repaired yet. Clerk to chase.

School Crossing

Flashing amber lamps can only be installed to assist a school crossing patrol. The Chief Constable has a limit to the number of patrols he can appoint, and has been unable to appoint a patrol at this location. Clerk to inform Mrs. Rothon who asked for the lamps, and mention in Newsletter.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 11.28.

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday, 25th. February, 1988 at 8 pm in the School.

PRESENT

Mr. Dixon in the Chair, Mr. Holland, Mr. Parker, Mr. Jacklin, Mr. Range, Mrs. Brooks, Mr. Rackham, the Clerk and ten members of the public.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were signed.

QUESTION TIME

Mr. Warren of Tye House reported that he had not been notified by C.B.C. of the planning application for the Mill site of which he is a neighbour. Although the planning authority is not obliged by law to inform neighbours about planning applications, C.B.C. does usually do so. Mr. Dixon apologised for the omission. Mr. Warren asked what protection exists for the mill building against demolition. Demolition cannot be physically stopped except by Planning staff, but agents should now be aware of the conservation zone on the Tye and would be expected to respect it. Mr. Warren informed P.C. that the location plan on the planning application included his property in the area for development. There were several other inaccuracies which would be discussed under Planning.

MATTERS ARISING

Recreation Review

This is to be circulated again so that councillors may study it in detail.

Road Traffic Act 1972

There is no date known for the enactment of Section 36B which relates to motor cars parked wholly or partially on footways, verges or central reservations. P.O. to be informed about illegal parking of P.O. van.

Mayor's Centenary Tree Appeal

P.C. did not wish to contribute to the Mayor's appeal but would consider planting a tree or trees to commemorate the borough centenary. Clerk and Chairman are to assess the tree situation in the village in the next week.

Diversion Order

Mr. Parker reported that the action taken by the C.B.C. Footpaths Officer was the result of the footpaths report sent to C.B.C.

Eastern National

E.N. is not interested in an earlier bus on Sundays and suggests P.C. approaches E.C.C.. Mr. Jacklin has obtained 500 copies of the timetable extracts and these are to be delivered with the next Newsletter at the beginning of March. The E.C.C. Co-ordinating Committee Meeting will be held on 3rd. March when the P.C. representative is to bring up the subject of the Sunday service and suggest seeking alternative tenderers to E.N. in future.

Village Hall Chase Light

H.F.C. is unable to contribute to the cost of the light. P.C. has not budgeted for the light in 1988/89, but will consider it for the 1989/90 precept, and it might be possible to apply for a grant.

CORRESPONDENCEEssex Structure Plan

An examination in public on selected matters arising on the proposals for the first alteration of the Essex County Structure Plan began on 23rd. Feb. and is expected to last until 3rd. March.

Best Kept Village in Essex Competition

It was decided to enter East Hanningfield again. Clerk is to ask for information about last year's result.

Sheep Worrying

C.B.C. Tech Services Dept concerned about the danger to sheep and the danger of dogs being shot legally. Clerk is to display newspaper cutting about sheep worrying.

Summer Holiday Playscheme 1987

Leisure Services Dept is to grant £20 towards the expenses of last summer's playscheme.

FINANCE

The following cheques were signed:

Printing Place	£106.00	March edition of Newsletter
Public Works Loan Ac.	£1,102.24	Hall building loan
C. Andrews (printers)	£131.10	Stationary with carbonless copies

£38.25 has been deposited in the deposit account. This is income from advertisements in the Newsletter, including £8.25 in arrears and £6 in advance.

PLANNING240/88 C.B.C. Flats

There was no objection to the proposed environmental improvements, but it was noted that there was no rear access to the gardens at the back although it was thought that the original intention had been to have a back door. P.C. suggested that there should be only one gate per back garden to prevent the gardens being used as a footpath by other residents of the estate.

143/88 The Mill, The Tye

P.C. objected to these plans because they involve the demolition of buildings of local historic interest within the recently adopted Conservation Area. P.C. accepts that there is potential for development of the site but wishes to see the Mill and Mill House retained within a sympathetically planned development. Questions 7, 9b, 11a, 11b and the location plan were incorrectly completed. It would be inadvisable for any development on this site to rely on soakaways for the disposal of surface water or to pipe the present ditches. The density of the proposed development is unsuitable for the location.

194/88 Highfields Farm

P.C. objected to the proposed bungalow. The site is outside the village envelope and within the Danbury Ridge Conservation Zone. A dwelling converted from two cottages on the farm has recently been sold which contradicts the assertion that an agricultural dwelling is required.

151/88 Silver Ash, Southend Road, Rettendon

P.C. objected to the change of use of the site from domestic to commercial for the purpose of storing roofing materials. The property is within the green belt and on a heavily trafficked road. It would be a nonconforming use in the countryside.

281/88 40 Ashley Green

No objection to the proposed single storey extensions to front and rear.

Planning Decisions2121/87LB Three Horseshoes

C.B.C. had not accepted P.C.'s statement that a fence surrounding a gas vessel should be at a distance of 3m. The application was approved.

395/86/1 Land to the rear of Hedgerows

The application was approved.

Conservation Area - The Tye

The Tye was designated as a Conservation Area at the Planning Committee Meeting of C.B.C. on 23rd. February, and took effect immediately. The detailed document from the Meeting is to be circulated.

P.C. is to consider at the May Meeting whether it wishes to inform C.B.C. Planning Dept. that the opportunity to comment would be appreciated if an area in the parish came up for consideration as a conservation area in the future. This has no bearing on the Tye Conservation Area which received full support of P.C.

GAS SUPPLY

Mr. Dixon is conversing with Eastern Gas through National Gas. E.G. has admitted that in Creephedge Lane there is a junction in the main with a spur directed towards the village. E.G. is preparing a rough estimate of the cost of connection per household.

POST OFFICE

At the present level of business transacted at the E.H. office, the P.O. have no plans to regrade it to that of community status. An article in the Sunday Telegraph 31st. January, 1988 stated that the Govt. wants to pay benefits into claimants' bank account instead of at the local sub-post office. About 40 percent of post office counter work is taken up in paying benefits. Loss of benefit payments would be a loss of income for sub-post masters and thereby a threat to the viability of village shop/post offices.

Clerk is to draw this to the attention of the E.A.L.C. and suggest it as an agenda item for the A.G.M. of the Assoc. Chelmsford District P.C.s. Also to write to the M.P. and bring it to the attention of parishioners in the newsletter. Clerk is to try to obtain some 'Use it, Don't lose it' posters.

ALSO IMPROVEMENTS

The road options could be divided into three types: those following the present road, those to the West of the present road and those to the East. P.C. decided that the reuse of the present route was inadvisable. N4 & N5 were economical. They were similar but N5 goes to East of Rettendon and N4 to West. As Runwell Hospital closing down and awaiting redevelopment this would not be a consideration against N5. It was decided to opt for N5, and to congratulate E.C.C. on the exhibition of the options.

ANY OTHER BUSINESSChairmens Conference

One seat was booked for the conference on 26th. March, but this was oversubscribed. The seat is now booked for a second conference on 16th April at Feering Community centre.

Inter-Village Sports

There will be no inter-village sports in Chelmsford District this year. Mrs. Brooks to communicate with other Chelmsford parishes about interest in the event.

Aviary - Old Church Road

This is the subject of an investigation by enforcement staff of C.B.C. Planning Dept.

Bicknacre Road

→ The resurfacing has brought the road up to kerb level, so the drain heads have been raised and the footpath humps over these. The footpath is now very low relative to the new road level. Clerk to complain to Tech. Services about this and Old Church Road footpath.

Verge - Old Church Road

→ Housing Dept. is discussing the problem with Highways. Verge continues to deteriorate, but it is dangerous to park on the road at the dangerous bend. Clerk to write again and speak to Constable Franklin.

Three Horseshoes

→ The P.H. reopened on 24th. February. Cars are being parked on the Tye and Village Hall Chase. Mr. Jacklin is to visit the P.H. to explain the Tye byelaws and that the Scarles Croft entrance must be kept clear.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10.22.

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday, 24th. March, 1988 at 8.04 pm in the School.

PRESENT

Mr. Dixon in the Chair, Mr. Parker, Mr. Jacklin, Mr. Range, Mrs. Brooks, Mr. Rackham, the Clerk and two members of the public.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr. Holland and Mr. Morris.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Mr. Rackham proposed and Mrs. Brooks seconded that the minutes under Planning - Conservation Area - The Tye were inaccurate. A vote was taken. As the voting was tied with two votes for the motion, two against and two abstentions the Chairman used his casting vote to defeat the motion. The Minutes were signed.

QUESTION TIME

Mr. Roberts of Thoraby, the Tye, said that he would not be formally objecting to the latest Cobb planning application, because the proposed extension is in the best place, but he had some worries about the plans. The extension is another whole factory added on, so there will be intensification of use. When is the growth going to stop? There will be extra noise from high pressure hoses when washing down, and extra water to be drained away. He was sceptical about the Cobb statement that vehicle movements will not increase. He was worried about loss of residential amenity, and informed P.C. that some of the planting from the last building scheme has died.

Chairman replied that Cobbs have bought the Rose Hill factory so further extensions on the Rough Hill site are unlikely. Planning Dept. will be asked to investigate the failed trees as these should be replaced.

MATTERS ARISING

Best Kept Village Competition

Clerk has obtained last year's results. A précis is to be included in the next Newsletter. Copies of the result are to be displayed on the noticeboards. It was noted that the telephone kiosk needs painting, and last year the shop's litter bin had not been emptied. Clerk to speak to the shop.

Post Office

Simon Burns is to seek information from the Minister for Social Security. The A.C.D.P.C. has discussed the matter and will include it at the A.G.M. as an Agenda item, and has referred it to the Essex Association with the intention of pursuing it to National level.

Al30 Improvements

The views of P.C. will be reported to County Council members when they meet in May to consider the response to the exhibition. At a meeting between C.B.C. and E.C.C. the options were to be discussed.

Recreation Review

P.C. decided to send the following comments to C.B.C.:

1. The Melbourne athletic facilities have become outdated and should be improved.
2. There is need for another swimming pool in the borough, and South Woodham Ferrers is the best site.
3. P.C. wishes to see support for recreational uses of Hanningfield Water in the Review, but does not want to see any activities which are prejudicial to wild life.
4. P.C. wishes to see the promotion of small hall facilities.

Chairmen's Conference

Chairman and Mr. Holland to decide which of them is to attend.

Trees

Four dead trees need replacing. Four trees need straightening, and two stumps need to be removed. The trees already propped up by Mr. Parker and Mr. Plumridge have proved successful as they are showing signs of growth. One tree beside 2 Clinton Close is diseased and Clerk has been advised that the best course would be to replace it, but further advice is to be sought.

Chairman has sought a quotation from Mr. Jarvis for the work which is required. He has received a verbal quotation of £125 to stake six trees with protective frames and remove two stumps, and £55 to winch up, prop and strut the whitebeam on the Tye. The whitebeam would have to be pruned to remove some head weight and would require support for three to four years.

Aviary - Old Church Road

There has been no further news.

Verge - Old Church Road

Highways and Housing have reached no conclusion as yet.

Pan Lane

It was reported that Sandon P.C. has asked for a junction at Pan Lane on the new A130.

E.C.C. Public Transport Committee Meeting

At the moment there is no intention to subsidize the Sunday bus service.

There is a low return on the last bus service which is presently under scrutiny. There is no hope of an earlier Sunday morning service. The marketing of the late bus service had comprised of leaflets left on buses and P.C. extracts in Newsletter. It was agreed that there was a lack of marketing and notices might be printed on another occasion.

Subsequent to the meeting with the management of Mid-Essex and Herts E.N. in January, P.C.s have been promised a supply of leaflets. Timetables at bus stops are to be corrected. The removal of the schools bus is under consideration.

The 11A will not revert to its previous timetable.

Clerk is to produce posters to remind villagers of the last bus.

A.C.D.P.C. Meeting

Mr. Jacklin attended. Minutes to be circulated when they arrive. Mr. Chippendale of C.B.C. Planning is to speak at the A.G.M. Any questions should be submitted by 22nd. April. Members are to bring up points individually.

Summer Holiday Play Scheme

Clerk has confirmed with C.B.C. that it is the P.C. intention to run a play scheme this year. It was reported at the Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting that East Hanningfield will be getting support this year.

Inter-Village Sports

Sandon is equally concerned about the abandonment of the competition. There is to be an attempt to try to persuade C.B.C. to hold a mini-sports competition. Looking forward to 1989 there will be the possibility of using East Hanningfield facilities as the all weather court will be in use by that time.

Use it, Don't lose it

Clerk has not yet traced the origins of these posters. Received one - which has been copied + will be displayed as spaces become available on noticeboards

CORRESPONDENCEConcessionary Fares Scheme 1988/89

The sets of posters have been displayed. The new scheme began on 14th. March.

Royal Mail

Acknowledgement of letter reporting P.O. van driving on footpath between Old Church Road and the Windmill P.H.

C.B.C. Combined Parishes Service

The service will be held at the Church of the Holy Trinity, S.W.F., on Sunday, 10th. April, 3.30 pm. Posters have been displayed.

C.B.C. Awards Scheme

No further action to be taken.

Housing Benefits Changes

C.B.C. has provided explanatory posters and leaflets which have been displayed.

Alexandra Rose Day

It was decided that a collection should be organized this year as the village hall does require ramps for wheel chairs, and a proportion of the money collected could be used for this purpose.

Gloscat - Clerks' Course

Clerk has received an update of information about the running of the course. It is likely that the course will be held in Essex from September.

Minerals Subject Plan

The following Comments are to be forwarded:

6.1 is to be endorsed as environmental damage should be kept to a minimum.

6.5 Danbury Ridge and Chelmer river valley should be precluded from mineral working as areas of outstanding natural beauty.

Policy 2 says that mineral working on sites other than those listed in schedule 1 will not normally be permitted, yet Carters Farm at Sandon which is not in Schedule 1 has received permission from E.C.C. to extract.

7.2 and Policy 3 Provision for direct access on to principal county road network is a prerequisite for application to extract. P.C. wants this enforced together with subsequent lorry routing.

7.3 which deals with nearby dwellings should include the physical intrusion such as dust, vibration and fumes and cover working hours and days of the week.

Tye Car Park

N.A.L.C. suggests that if G.M.E. refuses to maintain the car park P.C. could threaten to close it as the use of a village green for the parking of vehicles is unlawful. Clerk has written to G.M.E.

Bird Scarer

This will not be in operation this summer.

Old Church Road

The footpath is programmed for reconstruction in 1988/9 but is subject to E.C.C. agreement.

FINANCE

The following cheques were signed:

J. Grace	£40.50	Fit noticeboard and paint bus shelter
Essex County Council	£197.84	School heating and caretaker's wages
J. Gatwood & Sons	£546.25	Tree surgery
K. Plumridge	£215.12	Clerk's salary, telephone & reimbursements

Tree Surgery

E.C.C. is offering a grant of £356 or 75% of the cost for tree surgery.

Application must be before 31st. May.

It was decided that this grant would allow P.C. to go ahead with other tree work. Written quotation to be sought from Mr. Jarvis. Wired whitebeam would probably require fencing to prevent people falling over it.

Bus Shelter Light

Grant of £176.50 has been received from E.C.C. and has been deposited in P.O.ac.

Village Hall Car Park

£372.73 remains of the C.B.C. grant. It was agreed to ask Tech. Services to have the car park marked out with white lining to the plan they have produced, at a cost of £80. This plan makes 41 parking bays. It was agreed to spend the remaining grant on the verges beside the Village Hall Chase. The School Chase verge is to come out of P.C. expenditure.

Seat - The Tye

Clerk is to seek the updated price.

Newsletter

£12 advertisement fee has been deposited in the ~~P.O.~~ current account.

£180.40 + VAT.

amendment.

PLANNING401/88 The Cobb Breeding Co. Ltd., Rough Hill Farm

P.C. had no objection to the extension of the existing parent hatchery building to provide a grandparent hatchery as a separate operation but with a joint egg store. The proposed extension is in the exact position suggested by P.C. P.C. is to ask for the failed trees to be reinstated as these were a condition of the previous planning permission. Also, P.C. suggested that the doors of the clean trolley store should be on the east side instead of on the south side so as to take the noise of the trolleys further away from the houses, and that surface water should be taken away in a north-easterly direction.

388/88 25 Ashley Green

There was no objection to the proposed kitchen extension and entrance lobby.

1925/87 Plough and Sail Amended Plans

The altered plans for a single storey rear extension to form laundry and additional kitchen and storage area was visually improved but larger. P.C. objected to the plans on the grounds that it is proliferation in an exposed rural setting, and P.C. does not want to see further expansion.

HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY

Mr. Jacklin reported as Chairman of the Charity. A second full year has now been completed in the Hall. A few regular hirers have been lost, including Karate, but there have been gains (short tennis and antique fairs) but over all bookings are down. The Year's revenue surplus was £2,241.

The final installment has been paid to the builders.

C.B.C. is to grant £7,000 for the improvement of the small hall, in the financial year 1988/9. This will pay for a suspended ceiling and upgraded storage area.

C.B.C. is also to supply the grant for the all weather sports court in 1988/9.

The public entertainment licence has been granted with four conditions. The first three have been dealt with. The fourth is to install a fire retardant ceiling in the small hall cupboards.

H.G.V. BAN & ILLEGAL PARKING

H.G.V. ban had been introduced at considerable expense to reduce environmental disturbance, to reduce wear and tear on roads and to improve road safety.

The ban is not being enforced by the police.

The Village Green Byelaws are being flouted and the police are not prosecuting. Clerk to write to the Chief Superintendent at New Street to ask what is present policy regarding these offences.

Clerk also to write to publican of the Three Horseshoes to ask for co-operation to manage car park to prevent parking on the Tye. Also to mention that his customers have no right to park in the Village Hall car park or Chase, Scarles Croft is frequently blocked, and the turf is being damaged.

G.M.E. is to be reminded of the need to complete the grass.

CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING

80 questionnaires had been returned and have been sent to Kelvin Ward for analysis. It is still hoped to have a trial run of the school kitchens on a mobile generator during the summer holidays but the County Architects have not responded to the request. The school governors are to be approached on the matter. The Committee members have been allocated individual responsibilities and are to attend short courses on their given subjects.

There are now 45 people on the helper list. The next Newsletter is to include thanks to all those who returned their questionnaires.

Mr. Rackham stated that he had not received a questionnaire.

ANY OTHER BUSINESSIndustrial Estate

The landscaping on the north side of the industrial estate has failed.
The Planning Dept. should be informed.

Meals on Wheels

S.W.F. offers a service on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This is not sufficient and should be increased in the light of the increasingly ageing population.

Ashley Green

The hole in the road has been partially repaired and appears to have been abandoned.

Tipping

Two washing machines have been dumped on the verge at Days Hill.

Concrete Litter Bin

This has been installed for some months.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 11.06.

Bus shelter light

Site meeting with EE Mr Wright 2.30 Thursday 21 April

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A Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday, 28th. April, 1988 at 7.37 pm in the School.

PRESENT

Mr. Dixon in the Chair, Mr. Holland, Mr. Parker, Mr. Jacklin, Mr. Range, Mrs. Brooks, the Clerk and two members of the public.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr. Rackham.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The amendment to the Minutes was noted and the Minutes were signed.

QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Use it, Don't Lose it

One poster "Support your local Post Office" has been received from R.C.C.E. Clerk has made copies for the noticeboards.

Post Office

✓ Clerk to send copies of letters from Simon Burns and John Butcher to E.A.L.C.

Seat - The Tye

✓ The present price of the Barlow Tyrie 'Rothesay' seat is £180.40 & V.A.T. carriage inclusive. It was decided to order a seat immediately.

Bus Shelter Light

⌋ The photo-electric cell has been stolen from the light fitting twice. A site meeting was held with Mr. Wright from E.E. to discuss the problem. As a temporary measure it was decided to have the light working constantly, and to await Mr. Wright's calculations as to the extra cost this would entail in power and bulbs, before deciding whether this could be a permanent arrangement. Mr. Wright calculated that bulbs would last about six months instead of eighteen, and the bulbs cost £42 for a box of 25. The cost of power would rise from about £4 to £10. Replacement cells cost over £10 each. It was decided to leave the light working permanently and to order a box of bulbs.

Tree Surgery

Mr. Jarvis has now straightened and propped the trees in Ashley Green and the one on the Tye.

CORRESPONDENCE

A12 Chelmsford Bypass - Noise Survey

This is to continue in circulation and to be brought back to the next Meeting for possible comment.

Stansted Airport and the Environment

A booklet is available costing £1 per copy. It was decided not to order a copy.

Mileage rates

✓ E.A.L.C. has sent the revised rates. Clerk to check whether the rates include an element for the insurance premium.

Survey of Parish Services - R.C.C.E.

Questionnaire to be completed in June.

Breast Screening Campaign - Mid-Essex Community Health Council

P.C. comments that the facility should not be moved away from centre of community. Chelmsford is the fastest growing town in E.E.C. and medical facilities are needed to cater for this growing population.

Municipal Mutual Insurance - A.G.M.

It was noted that the A.G.M. is on 20th May.

White Lining - Village Hall Carpark

Tech. Services has put the work into the contractor's programme. Clerk to ask for notice of when the work is to be done.

Multi-Use Hard Play Area

C.B.C. Leisure Services Dept. has given written confirmation of the grant aid of up to £27,000.

Improvements - Village Hall

C.B.C. Leisure Services Dept. has given written confirmation of the grant aid of up to £7,000.

FINANCECheques

The following cheques were signed:

Barlow Tyrie	£207.46	Wooden seat for the Tye
E.A.L.C.	£110.74	Annual Subscription
A.C.D.P.C.	£12.00	Annual Subscription
D. Jacklin	£3.65	Petrol for Hayter
Parochial Church Council	£120.00	Churchyard Maintenance

It was agreed to sign a cheque for the light bulbs between Meetings, should this be necessary, and to sign a cheque to deposit an amount in the Savings Account.

Deposits

The following amounts were deposited in the current account:

£3,690.00	First installment of Parish Precept.
£0.50	One allotment rent.

Byelaw Signs

The cost of three more byelaw signs for the Tye is £80.27 inc. V.A.T. It was decided to order these.

Village Hall Chase

Updated quotations have been received for the landscaping of the School and Village Hall Chase verges. The School Chase verge will now cost £178. The Village Hall Chase will cost £425.50. It was decided to go ahead with the School Chase and to go ahead with the Village Hall Chase once H.F.C. has agreed to pay the difference between the remainder of the C.B.C. grant and the total cost.

PLANNING627/88 Yulan, Old Church Road

There was no objection to the lounge extension.

At this point, 8.17 pm, the Meeting was adjourned for the Annual Parish Meeting. The Meeting resumed at 9.42.

CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNINGWells

Three wells have been traced in E.H. and seven in W.H.. The intention is to have one well from each parish tested. Funding for testing is available if the well is in use or if it might be polluted.

Specialist Training

The four committee members await the dates of their courses.

School Kitchens

There has been no word from the County Architect regarding the test running of the school kitchens with power from a mobile generator.

ANY OTHER BUSINESSBicknacre Road

✓ Since resurfacing the SLOW sign has not been repainted on the road.

Footpath - Three Horseshoes

✓ Now that the hedge has been cut back, there is a muddy band along the length of the footpath.

Scarles Croft/Church

✓ The poles which protect the public from the ditch between the Church and Scarles Croft are losing their paint. Clerk to seek an estimate for repainting.

School Chase

One of the trees needs a stake.

Service 11A

An extra last bus on Sundays has already started. There will be an hourly service on Sundays during the months of June, July and August, including an earlier bus. Eastern National has been asked for 600 new timetable extracts to be distributed with the Newsletter. There is still no timetable box at the north end of the village.

E.C.C. is to support a bus service to Basildon Hospital. This will begin at Bicknacre and run through East Hanningfield, Rettendon, Wickford and Basildon on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Asbestos

✓ Following a fire at a storage depot in another part of the country, a large area was polluted with asbestos from the roof. P.C. would welcome comment from Env. Health about the possible dangers from asbestos roofing on the industrial estate.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 10.05.

Asbestos is used to bind cement together, and is about 5-10% of the finished product. If during a fire a high enough temperature is reached, the roofing explodes and small pieces are carried up with the smoke. Depending on weather conditions these pieces can be spread over a wide or a limited area.

Tree Surgery

Tree surgery was inspected by E.C.C. on 29 April and approved. A cheque should arrive shortly.

Best Kept Village

June 4th.

MP