

Erection of detached chalet/bungalow and garage and change of use from builders yard.

Members noted that the site is outside the village development area, and resolved to consult further with neighbouring residents.

Members noted the following decision by C.B.C.:

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Woodlands Bungalow, Main Road, Bicknacre.

Erection of rear conservatory.

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1, Priory Road, Bicknacre. The Clerk reported a message from Cllr. R. Poulter. It is possible that this application will be refused, or referred to the Planning Committee.

49, Priory Road, Bicknacre. The Clerk also reported that Cllr. R. Poulter has requested an update on C.B.C.'s intentions with regard to this site, because of the amount of correspondence he has received from residents.

Priory Farm. Members considered further the fencing of the ancient monument and the proposed football field in the light of recent correspondence with the solicitors and with the developer. Cllr. C. Saltmarsh reminded members that an application for permission to erect a fence around the ancient monument would have to be made to the Department for Culture, Media and Sport, and that this is likely to take a certain amount of time. The Parish Council also needs to specify to the developer how far from the monument the fence should be. To this end, a number of members will meet at the site during the coming weekend to consider the position on site.

Members also considered the matter of drainage. Councillors noted the remarks of our solicitor regarding the drainage search, and Cllr. C. Saltmarsh also advised members of the existence of a septic tank and overflow near to the monument, thought to have belonged to the old farmhouse, now demolished. This will also be looked at on site at the weekend.

Members thought that Cllr. G. Woricker is in contact with local archaeologists, and that they may be able to contribute to our discussions about fencing and drainage issues. This matter will be raised when Cllr. G. Woricker returns from holiday.

Cllr. J. Bishop mentioned that it appears that the farmyard development site is in the process of being sold, and that this might have implications for the Parish Council at a later date.

156. **Accounts.**

Members approved the following cheques for payment:

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Canon (UK) Ltd. Copycharge.	Ch. No 103029.	£ 15.06.	£ 2.24.
TXU Energi. Electricity. Lodge Rd.	Ch. No 103030.	£ 20.22.	£ 0.96.
T. Dawkins. Refreshments. A.P.A.	Ch. No 103031.	£ 10.56.	
D. Wybrow. Handyman.	Ch. No 103032.	£327.81.	

157. **Field Reports.**

157.1 Priory Field.

Drainage. Members discussed the drainage problem on the playing field. Cllr. J. Bishop reported that Mr. J. Whitworth of Bicknacre F.C. has not been available to discuss the problem on site, but recommended two contractors who could advise the Parish Council on the work that needs doing. Cllr. Bishop will arrange a site meeting at a time when Cllr. G. Woricker can also be present.

Goalposts, BT huts. Cllr. C. Saltmarsh reported that all goalposts are now in the container except for two uprights which remain. Cllr. J. Bishop will request Bicknacre F.C. to keep their hut locked. Cllr. G. Woricker will remove the other hut.

157.2 The Hooe.

The Working Party. Members decided to adopt the draft Terms of Reference with a single amendment. The Clerk will now produce the final version. **CK**

Vandalism. Members discussed damage to the dog control signs and the gate to the dog walk area. The police will be informed. **CK**

Cllr. C. Saltmarsh mentioned a number of repair jobs that need to be done. The Clerk will consult with the handyman. **CK**

157.3 Lodge Road.

Football. Cllr. R. Blanks reported that the goalposts have been taken down, and that the grass cutter has been informed that reseeding can now go ahead.

Cllr. R. Blanks also produced a letter from a football team which would like to play at Lodge Road. It was agreed that the Clerk should send a pitch hire form, but should also point out that there is no guarantee that the Parish Council will be able to accept it. **CK**

The Clerk reported that one of the football teams has complained that the showers in the changing room are not working. It was decided that the Clerk should obtain the specification for the showers from Cllr. G. Woricker. The matter will then be considered further. **CK**

Cllrs. R. Blanks and T. Dawkins reported on an instance of damage to the turf.

The Clerk reported on a response to the letter to C.B.C. regarding the emptying of litter bins. It was decided that the Clerk should inquire about the day on which the bin at Lodge Road is emptied. **CK**

158. **Road Traffic Issues.**

The Clerk reported that the letter to Essex County Council has been sent, with final amendments by Cllr. R. Poulter, who has met with Cllr. Bass of E.C.C. The matter will be discussed further at the next meeting when it is hoped that Cllr. R. Poulter will be present. A copy of the letter will be sent to our M.P. asking him to intervene as he sees fit. **CK**

Cllr. J. Saltmarsh felt that there had been a degree of incompetence on the part of E.C.C., and Cllr. J. Bishop remarked that any improvements in East Hanningfield will be likely to increase traffic problems in this parish.

Cllr. B. Arnold produced pro forma copies of notices to be used to request drivers parking inconsiderately to be more careful. Cllr. J. Bishop will try to get them printed.

159. **Parish Tours.**

Cllr. J. Saltmarsh produced a framework for this year's parish tours for discussion. To be considered further at the meeting on 1st July 2003.

160. **Grass Verges.**

The Clerk reported on correspondence with a resident and C.B.C. regarding the use of weedkiller on grass verges. It was felt that the Parish Council has done all it can at the present time.

161 **Information.**

The Clerk drew members' attention to the following documents: The Hanningfield Awards and the C.P.R.E. Position Paper on Stansted Airport.

The Clerk produced details of a funding workshop, which might be of interest to the Working Party.

The Clerk also reported on correspondence with South Woodham Ferrers Town Council regarding documentation about Woodham Fen. Members felt that the Parish Council should help in any way that it can.

Cllr. T. Dawkins reported that the tree in Priory Road at the site of a recent accident has been taken down.

162. **Council Diary.**

Members noted the Council Diary as follows:

9 th June 2003.	Agenda for next P.C. meeting closes.
10 th June 2003.	Working Party meeting. B.M.V.H. 20.00.
17 th June 2003.	Parish Council Meeting. W.F.V.H. 20.00.
23 rd June 2003.	Agenda for next P.C. meeting closes.
25 th June 2003.	E.A.L.C. AGM. Great Saling. 19.00.
1 st July 2003.	Parish Council Meeting. W.F.V.H. 20.00.

David Godfrey. Parish Clerk. 7.6.2003.