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PARISH COUNCIL

(Parish Clerk: Miss Jean Wheeler. The Post Office, The Green. Tel: 70278)

A meeting was held on 8th January chaired by Mr. A. Villar. Apologies were received from Messrs. Hoadley and Spencer.

Matters which arose after the reading of the previous minutes were:-

Road Name Signs - Clerk still waiting for designs and price list from manufacturers.

Duplication of Addresses - Clerk informed meeting that Mid Suffolk District Council are contacting the three residents concerned and will inform the Parish Council when it has been resolved. The developers were at fault for wrongly naming the development 'The Green'. They should have negotiated with the Planning Department first.

Village Hall Windows - As requested the V.H.M.C. has submitted three quotations for the replacement of the window frames but it was noted that one was for wooden frames and the other two for UPVC frames. The matter has again been referred back to the V.H.M.C. to ask for their preference.

Two planning applications were discussed. The first was the erection of a bay window and a detached double garage with new vehicular access at Woodside, Norton Road. There were no objections to the bay windows but all councillors were concerned with the detached garage being in front of the existing building which could cause a hazard to traffic using the adjacent properties, also bearing in mind the volume and speed of traffic using Norton Road.

The second application was for the erection of four dwellings and garages with vehicular access and private drive on land adjacent to the village hall. Two councillors had no objection, one voted against, one felt that cheaper houses were preferred and the other was concerned regarding any noise from the Village Hall.

The Treasurer requested payment of £15 for the printing of the Chronicle and £22 for hire of hall for meetings. He also stated that tax exemption certificates had been received for the Mower and Tractor. The budget for the coming year was discussed and it was agreed to precept for £1,200. £600 of this would be approximately the sum required by Mid Suffolk District Council to organise Parish Council elections which are due this year. If there are insufficient candidates to necessitate an election there would be no need to precept for monies next year. £1 per head brings in approximately £300 so the addition to the standard Community Charge for each resident would be in the region of £4.

A request for an amplification system in the Village Hall has been made by Mrs Spencer on behalf of the Past and Present Society, but as this could be used by other organisations it has been suggested that the Past and Present Society put their request to the V.H.M.C. and for them to approach the Parish Council with the request.

Under Any Other Business concern was expressed regarding rumours about possible activities on land east of the Beyton Bridge and south of the old A45. Clerk to write to District Councillor to alert him of this and to ask him to investigate. Also concern was expressed about the erection of a fence on the road side of the new property on Leys Road corner instead of the low brick wall as stated on the original application. It would also appear that part of the road has been taken by the erection of this new fence. Planning Department has been notified and asked to investigate.

Two councillors were concerned regarding the road sign erected on the old A45 to direct traffic along New Road into the village. It was pointed out by the Chairman that this has probably been placed there to avoid vehicles hitting into the boundary gates at the dead end of the old A45 and to alert drivers in good time that the road turns sharply to the left. Clerk to make enquiries of the Suffolk County Council.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

(Rev. Richard Addington. The Vicarage, Church Hill, Pakenham. Tel: 30287)

SERVICES:

<u>February:</u>	3rd	10.00 a.m.	Joint communion <u>at Norton</u>
	10th	11.15 a.m.	1662 Communion
	17th	10.30 a.m.	Family Service
	24th	10.30 a.m.	Matins
<u>March:</u>	3rd	10.00 a.m.	Joint communion <u>at Tostock</u>
	10th	11.15 a.m.	1662 Communion
	17th	10.30 a.m.	Family Service
	24th	10.30 a.m.	Matins
	29th	11.00 a.m.	(GOOD FRIDAY) Stations of the Cross
	31st	8.00 a.m.	(EASTER DAY) 1662 Communion

Informal Services at 'The Croft':-

Friday 1st February - 2.30 p.m.
Friday 1st March - 2.30 p.m. (Women's World Day of Prayer)
Friday 5th April - 2.30 p.m.

Church Annual General Meeting:-

Tuesday 26th March - 7.30 p.m. at the Village Hall

CHURCH SOCIAL COMMITTEE

(Mrs Pat Reynolds. "Better View", The Green. Tel: 70341)

'Afternoon Tea at the Croft' resumed on Tuesday 29th January with a New Year Party. Mr Bill Hoadley entertained with some slides, followed by an excellent tea, games and a sign-song.

The following events have been arranged for the Church Fabric Fund. Please make a note in your diaries to keep the dates free!

Wednesday	10th April	Whist Drive
Friday	31st May	Coffee Morning at "Better View"
Friday	27th September	Harvest Supper
Saturday	16th November	Christmas Bazaar

We will also serve luncheons and teas at the Art Exhibition when arranged.

PAST AND PRESENT SOCIETY

(Mrs Heather Spencer. "Bosmere", Perkins Way. Tel: 70395)

The Edwardian Evening in December was enjoyed by members and friends, many in costume (with the help of Sheelagh Millman). The barrel organ kindly brought along by Mr and Mrs Colin Williams was a great attraction.

The script for the tableau on the Pankhurst Family was written by Jeanne O'Reilly with additional dialogue by Richard Wallington and read by Sylvia Taylor. Those taking part were: Lorna Delanoy (as Mrs Pankhurst), Jackie Livingston and Christine Saumarez (as her daughters), Reg Sulman (as Keir Hardie), David Livingston (Winston Churchill), David Rochford (Lloyd George), George Taylor (Edward VII) and Richard Wallington and Mick Spencer as policemen.

Reg Sulman was M.C. for the evening and Greta Coulson won the Best Edwardian Hat Competition. Entertainment was provided by Jean Wheeler (violin), Reta Stevens (soprano), with Don Delanoy at the piano. Margery Read led the signing of music hall songs at the close. Members provided refreshments including hot punch made by Jackie and David Livingston.

At the A.G.M. in January, the Chairman's report for 1990 was read. It had been a very full year with a varied programme of speakers, 3 outings, a stand at Mendlesham Societies Day, field-walking, organising the Village Quiz and the Village Survey. The Treasurer's report was circulated and membership had increased.

The following Committee was elected: Chairman - Reg Sulman, Treasurer - David Livingston, Secretary - Heather Spencer, Members of Committee - Christine Saumarez, David Rochford, Jeanne O'Reilly and John Barker. The A.G.M. was followed by some wonderful old film shown by Geoffrey Clarke from the Film Archives at University of East Anglia. The Village Survey had been on display in the afternoon. Each road in the village was contained in a separate file. The Society is very grateful to the many residents who had kindly given or loaned old photographs which have helped to make the survey such a fascinating record. We are always most interested in borrowing or receiving old photographs of the village - events, buildings and people. It is hoped to have the survey on display again in the summer.

The next meeting will be on Monday 4th February at 8.00 p.m. at the Village Hall when Nesta Evans (the Tostock professional historian) will be the speaker on the subject of Suffolk Market Towns (with slides).

On 4th March we have Sue Andrews with slides and a talk on the history of our houses, 'Who's Been Living in My House' - rather appropriate with the survey in mind.

PAST AND PRESENT SOCIETY CONTINUED

One of our members, Mr Ray Rouse has very kindly donated a pair of very good speakers and an amplification unit for use at our meetings in the Village Hall. In the past we have sometimes had difficulty in hearing all our speakers so we hope this equipment will help overcome this problem. We have taken advice from Derek Beales and will be purchasing a microphone.

VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT

(Chairman: Mr M Spencer. "Bosmere", Perkins Way. Tel: 70395)
(Bookings: Mr & Mrs P Buckle. "Crosswinds", Flatts Lane. Tel:70605)
(Key Holder: Mr S Reynolds. "The Hawthorns", Perkins Way. Tel: 70675)
(Secretary: Mrs R L Williams."Holly Tree Cottage", Flatts Lane. Tel:70425)

Advance Notice that the Annual Art Exhibition will be held in St. Andrew's Church on June 22 - 24 inclusive, 1991.

A meeting of the Management Committee was held on the 12th December with 8 members present and 1 apology.

Two windows at the south end of the Hall are to be replaced shortly in UPVC.

The provision of a seesaw on the playing field has been considered for some time but at present it seems that the cost is prohibitive. However, estimates are still being studied.

The problems with moles on the cricket pitch and weeds generally are being dealt with.

At the time of the meeting the telephone in the Hall had been disconnected as it was faulty and it was possible to make a call without actually paying (one can only wish that one knew how!!). The matter is being dealt with.

We have been approached by the Caravan Club as to the possibilities of their parking near to the Village Hall and the Committee will be having further discussions with them.

V.H.M.C. members please note:

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 20th February, 7.30 p.m.
Secretary will contact you a week beforehand.

BROWNIES

(Mrs Doreen Buckle. "Crosswinds", Flatts Lane. Tel: 70605)

Our thanks to all friends who came along to our annual Carol Concert and gave so generously. Also, for donations from those who were unable to attend. £41 was collected (this included refreshments) for the Chest, Heart & Stroke Association and the Baby Unit at the West Suffolk Hospital and £36 was raised for the Blue Peter bring and buy for Romania. We were pleased that Mrs Ann Hubbard from the Chest, Heart and Stroke Association was able to attend. She told how the money would be used and about the Association itself. The Brownies will be doing a sponsored 'fruit gum suck' in the next week or so to boost funds for C.H. & S. and the Baby Unit and also our funds.

Our thanks to the Rector and Mrs Addington for the loan of the handbells again this year.

TOSTOCK YOUTH GROUP

(Mr Barney Harrison, 4 Perkins Way. Tel: 70247)

We shall be holding a JUMBLE SALE soon. Watch out for the date.

TOSTOCK OPERATIC & DRAMATIC SOCIETY (T.O.A.D.S.)

(Chairman: Mrs Lorna Walker. "The Gables", New Road. Tel: 70186)

Very little to report at the moment except to say that we will stay on 'hold' for a little while longer. Hopefully by the next issue of the 'Chronicle' we will be able to make a date to review the situation.

TOSTOCK WOMEN'S GROUP??

A few of us in the village feel that there is a need for some sort of women's group. With most of us working and leading busy lives we rarely get the opportunity to meet and get to know each other. With this in mind we have arranged a meeting on Wednesday February 13th to discuss this idea. It will be at Julie Harrison's, at 4 Perkins Way, Tostock at 8.00 p.m. Anyone interested please come along.

The idea is to meet regularly (2-weekly or monthly) to discuss topics far removed from domesticity, children, school, price of washing powder, etc. etc!! We would hope to have a couple of social evenings a year as well. If you would like any more information please either contact me, Lorna Walker on 70186 or Julie Harrison on 70247 or Rosemary Lister on 70179. We all look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the 13th.

1991 VEGETABLE AND FLOWER SHOW

WINTER MEETING: TUESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY AT 7.30 P.M.

At this meeting in the Village Hall we shall review last year's show and talk about any improvements, better presentation etc for this year's show, the date of which is not yet fixed. Our guest speaker at this meeting will be one of last year's judges and it will be interesting to hear about just what catches the judge's eye on these occasions.

Those who competed last year - see how you can get more points!

Those who did not compete - come and see how to for this coming season!

ALL INTERESTED WELCOME. PLEASE COME ALONG - AND BRING A FRIEND!

THE CROFT CORNER

True to their word the District Council have at last planted a new tree in the verge on the Croft Corner to replace the one blown out of the ground a year or so back. This prompts one to think how nice it would be if one could also be planted on the Leys to replace the stricken one which many of us never even knew but which, from the painting in the Village Hall, must have added considerably to the pleasant approach to the village from that direction. Maybe there's a benevolent would-be sponsor for such a gesture? Just a thought!

BRITISH SUMMER TIME

BEGINS THIS YEAR ON EASTER SUNDAY, 31ST MARCH. DON'T FORGET TO PUT YOUR CLOCKS ON ONE HOUR - OR YOU'LL BE LATE FOR CHURCH!

COMMUNITY EDUCATION SERVICE

Community Education continues to promote informal learning opportunities in the area, including:-

- "Modern Maths for Parents" - Ixworth Primary School
Starting Monday 4th February
- "Computer Applications" - Ixworth
Starting Saturday 2nd March
- "Suffolk Fare" - Rickinghall
Starting Tuesday 12th March
- "Understand and
Interpret your Dreams" - Palgrave
Starting Wednesday 20th March

Information and enrolment forms are available from Mr John Stamp at the Community Education Service, 83 Risbygate Street. (Bury 768793).

NEWS FROM THE CLUBS

FOOTBALL: (Martin Durrant. Tel: 0284-767820)

Saturday Side:

Things seem to be looking up at the moment. Our last match was against Sporting '87 in the McNeil Cup. We came out winners by 3-2 and are now in the draw for the semi-final. In the league we are holding our mid-table position where wins against Brandon Town, Hepworth and Ixworth and draws against Macebearer, Stanton Res. and Beck Row give us a total of 9 points. It is pleasing to be able to report good news on the team's performances. However what a shame no players live in Tostock!

Sunday Side:

Our Manager, Stephen Neal, is having a hard time at the moment motivating the players after several poor results. The team is playing well but is having no luck. In football you need a certain amount of the run of the ball. At the moment we are not having the runs!!

On an upsetting note we seem to have some vandals in the village who have cut our new nets. The nets cost £90 and the week after they were put up for the first time some moron made a large hole in one net and cut the supporting ropes. Then they cut the other net last week. We know children in the village use the pitch. If the nets are cut again we will take the goal-posts down after every match.

CARPET BOWLS: (Mrs Doreen Buckle. "Crosswinds", Flatts Lane. Tel: 70605)

We would like to invite any villagers, especially newcomers, to our Bowls Club. We meet on Thursday afternoons from 2.30 - 4.30 and on Thursday evenings from 7.30 - 9.30 and on alternate Sunday evenings from 7.30 - 9.30. This is for all age groups and not too 'energetic' so please come along to any of the sessions or give me a ring on the above number.

League Fixtures:

February:	8th	Felsham	Away
	14th	Gt. Barton	Away
	18th	Bardwell	Away
	28th	Woolpit	Home
March:	7th	Rattlesden	Home
	19th	Badwell Ash	Away
	24th	Cockfield	Away

The Club have now 29 points in the league with 9 matches still to play.

Sunday Sessions: March 3rd, 17th
April 3rd, 17th

TENNIS: (Chairman: Mrs Denise Pamment, 6 New Road. Tel: 70066)
(Membership & Court Bookings: Mrs Heather Spencer. "Bosmere",
Perkins Way. Tel: 70395)

The A.G.M. will be held on Monday 18th March at 7.30 p.m. in the Committee Room at the Village Hall. The Committee hope to keep the formal meeting as brief as possible, to be followed by the first social meeting of the year. All members will be very welcome to come along. Please watch the notice boards for further details.

WILL ALL CONTRIBUTORS PLEASE NOTE:

I shall not be available for the next issue of the 'Chronicle' (No. 185 for April/May) but Mr Alan Crosbie-Browne has very nobly agreed to step into the breach, as he did in 1987, and see to its production and distribution through the usual channels.

Will all regular contributors and anyone else who may have material for publication in that issue please make a note of his address and telephone number, i.e. "Juniper House", Flatts Lane, Tostock. Tel: 70579. For the benefit of those who bring their 'copy' by hand, this is only two doors away from "Romans Croft".

Please give Alan the support you have always given me and all being well I hope to be back for the June/July issue - if the job's still open to me on my return.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

A.W.H. (Editor)

SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

(All events in the Village Hall unless otherwise stated)

FEBRUARY:

- Monday 4th - 8.00 p.m. Slide/Talk. "Suffolk Market Towns" (P.& P. Notes)
- " 4th - Mobile Library
- Wednesday 13th - 8.00 p.m. Women's Group Inaugural meeting (see notes)
- Thursday 14th - 1.30 - 4.00 p.m. Mobile Barber
- Monday 18th - Mobile Library
- Tuesday 26th - 2.30 p.m. "Afternoon Tea at the Croft"

MARCH:

- Monday 4th - 8.00 p.m. Slide/Talk. "Who's Been Living in My House?"
(P.& P. Notes)
- Monday 4th - 1.30 - 4.00 p.m. Mobile Library
- Monday 18th - 7.30 p.m. Tennis Club A.G.M. (Club Notes)
- " 18th - Mobile Library
- Monday 25th - LAST DAY FOR MATERIAL FOR NEXT 'CHRONICLE'
- Tuesday 26th - 2.30 p.m. "Afternoon Tea at the Croft"
- " 26th - 7.30 p.m. Church Annual General Meeting (Church Notes)
- Thursday 28th - 1.30 - 4.00 p.m. Mobile Barber

ADVANCED NOTICE:

The Annual Art Exhibition will be held in the Church on Saturday 22nd - Monday 24th June, inclusive.

Monday 1st April - EASTER MONDAY - NO LIBRARY
