

# Latest Buntings' bid is officially handed in to council

**DEVELOPER** Bunting and Sons has submitted its plans to create a countryside centre at Horkeley Park.

The firm plans to build a tourist attraction which would include a visitors' centre, public gardens,

shops and an indoor display ring for rare birds and horses.

Stephen Bunting, partner at the firm, said: "From the very beginning there has been ongoing open public engagement and consulta-

tion, and this has helped enormously to bring about the scheme as it now stands.

"We are extremely grateful for all the suggestions, feedback and support we have received from so many people."

He added: "We have also taken account of the many suggestions received to change the name of the scheme to reflect its position as a regional centre and so it is now named the Stour Valley Visitor Centre at

Horkeley Park."

Previous plans were refused by Colchester Council in June 2011 because of the size and scale. The new plans do not include any new building in the area of outstanding natural beauty.