

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the June 2008 Meeting

Parking in St. Stephens Road: two residents from St. Stephens Road made statements at the meeting regarding inconsiderate parking in the vicinity of the school. PCSO Butler who was at the meeting said he would make arrangements for the Police to visit the road at school times and the Councillors said they would write again to the Head Teacher and also to the Chair of School Governors to ask that parents are requested to use the car park at the village hall. The Councillors also expressed concern that this parking problem would prevent access for emergency vehicles.

The Norton Public House: the container now sited at the car park entrance was discussed – the Councillors will be contacting Maldon District Council and the owner regarding this.

Highways Matters: Parish Councillor and District Councillor, John Archer, advised the Council that he had had a meeting with Highways and that they would be undertaking siding back of the growth between the Railway Bridge and Country Produce shortly. Cutting back of vegetation is also required on Stow Road opposite Three Rivers where the various signs are obscured – Clerk to contact landowners/Highways Department as appropriate and to also write to the County Councillor regarding the poor condition of the footway from the bridge to Country Produce.

Police Report: PCSO had advised two incidents in May relating to Cold Norton, namely a road traffic accident involving two vehicles on Burnham Road: one vehicle left the road, one person was injured – one person was reported. The other incident related to a break in at The Norton Public House – enquiries are on going.

Playing Field: regarding the enclosed younger children's play area, as older children are using the picnic tables to climb on top of the play equipment causing damage, the Parish Council agreed to Pre School's request to have the picnic tables removed/relocated. The Parish Council also agreed to Pre School's request to use the playing field for their Summer BBQ event on Saturday 13th September from 12 noon to 4 pm. Maldon District Council ran a sports event on the playing field during half term for children – the organisers reported a good turnout and it went well – the Parish Councillors would like to hear from you if your children attended the event and would a repeat event of this type be welcome? Please contact the Parish Clerk with your report/opinions.

Older Persons Strategy –a chance to have your say: The Parish Councillors had each been supplied with a copy of the draft of this supplied by Maldon District Council. The Councillors plan to discuss/review this at the next meeting

in order to respond to MDC by the end of the consultation period on 23rd July 2008.

Parish Council Meetings: scheduled or provisionally scheduled for 2008: Wednesdays 2nd July, 3rd September, 1st October, 5th November, and 3rd December. All meetings start at 8 pm in the Committee Room at the Village Hall. Members of the public are warmly welcomed to hear the proceedings and to speak during the time set aside for that purpose.

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