

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the June 2009 Meeting

Planning Applications: there were no applications to consider at the ordinary meeting on 3rd June, but an extraordinary meeting was called on 16th June to consider an application relating to The Aerodrome in Hackmans Lane for the construction of 3 ponds and related access ways – the Parish Council had no objections to the proposal.

Highways matters: the vehicle activated sign opposite Three Rivers is being checked to establish if it is faulty or if the nearby vegetation is causing a problem.

Vandalism: graffiti on the hoarding at the site of The Old Fire Station has been reported to the owner, who has promised to remove it as soon as possible. Since the Parish Council meeting Mr Paul Guppy has met with the Police to report and discuss the damage to the tiling around the swings which had just recently been repaired.

District Councillors Report: in his report as District Councillor Mr John Archer advised that he had spoken to the Chief Inspector regarding the on going problem with vandalism to the enclosed children's play area. Mr Archer also updated Parish Council Members on the situation regarding the proposed music festival 'Brownstock', budgetary considerations at Maldon District Council and advised that local farmers were objecting to the application for flights at The Aerodrome.

Public Rights of Way: the fingerpost, which also holds the dog waste bin, at the entrance to Footpath 13 (at the bend in St Stephens Road) has been knocked down – the PRoW has advised it will be reinstated ASAP. In his role as Footpath Representative for the Parish Council Mr Wakeling advised that two footpaths, namely 23 and 24 needed reinstating by the landowners. As the P3 Representative for Cold Norton Footpaths Mr Roger Hawes has applied for financial support to start work on producing maps for some of the footpaths in the village.

Parish Council Meetings: Scheduled or provisionally scheduled for 2009: Tuesday 14th July (NB changed from 1st July), Wednesdays 2nd September, 7th October, 4th November and 2nd December. All meetings start at 8 pm in the Committee Room at the Village Hall (NB the September to December meetings will held in an alternative venue TBA) 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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