

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS
From the December 2007 Meeting

Highways Matters Update: with reference to an increase in the number of, and larger versions of, speed restriction signs between Cold Norton and Stow Maries, the upright signs are now in place, but road markings have been delayed due work being carried out by the water authorities.

Temporary Road Closure B1018 Burnham Road, Latchingdon (as detailed in the December issue of The Beacon): at time of writing this report the start date is unconfirmed – details will be posted on the village notice boards once advised by Essex County Council.

Stow Maries Service Station Planning Application: this is an application for the Service Station etc to be replaced by a number of industrial units. Whilst this is in the Parish of Stow Maries, because of its proximity Cold Norton Parish Council Members asked Maldon District Council for the opportunity to view the plans and express their opinion. At the December meeting the Parish Councillors discussed the plans and a letter has been sent to MDC recommending that consent is refused, as due to the size of the development, it would be extremely intrusive in a rural setting and will, by virtue of its location, result in increased traffic through Cold Norton. If you wish to view these plans and relating correspondence (or indeed any other planning application) you may do so via the MDC website: www.maldon.gov.uk

Village Hall: Members were informed that a temporary audible fire alarm system of whistles in glass cases by exit doors have been installed, whilst quotes are obtained for a bell type system.

Parish Council Meetings: scheduled or provisionally scheduled for 2008: Wednesday 16th January, Wednesday 13th February and Wednesday 5th March. 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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