

## **PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

From the February 2012 Meeting

**Planning Applications:** there were two applications for the Councillors to consider at this meeting: the first FUL/MAL/12/00059 Four Seasons, Latchingdon Road for retention of garden outbuilding for A1 use (shop), fish pond and filter bed. The Parish Council objected to the proposal within this application because this is inappropriate within a quiet residential location, proposing to be operational 6 days a week and it is sited within shared and residential access. The second application CC/MAL/08/12 Cold Norton Primary School, St Stephens Road was for continued use of a temporary class base until 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 – the Parish Council had no objections to this application.

**Planning Decisions:** there were 2 decisions from MDC relating to Cold Norton: HOUSE/MAL11/00989 Two Square, St Stephens Road: double garage and open car port and stores – this was approved by Maldon District Council. The Parish Council had not objected to this application. The second decision notified related to FUL/MAL/11/01080 Bardwells Yard Latchingdon Road Variation to condition 1 of approved application OUT/MAL/09/00512 (Demolition of existing industrial units and erection of ten 3, 4 and 5 bedroom dwellings and associated parking) for minor amendments to the layout, dwelling design and window variations – this had also received approval by MDC – there had been no objections to this application by the Parish Council.

**Highways Matters:** Members all agreed that ECC had done a good job in clearing the main routes in and out of the village after the recent snowfall, but requested that ECC be asked to include the school road (St. Stephens Road) as part of this clearing schedule.

**Signs:** Members were advised that new signs were in production for the village hall car park (to stop unauthorised parking), the playing field and Cowpiece.

**Village Hall:** Members were advised that hall hire rates for the Village Hall will be increased from April 2012 and that the Village Hall will shortly have its own web site as a 6<sup>th</sup> former at William de Ferrers School had very kindly volunteered to set this up for the Village Hall Management Committee.

**The Beacon:** Members all agreed that the beacon should be moved from the field near the Church to the back of the playing field so that it may be lit as part of the Queens Jubilee celebrations in June. Clerk had advised details of quotes received to relocate the beacon.

**Jubilee Celebrations:** Members were advised that the next meeting to discuss this would be on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2012 at 7.45pm in the village hall – meeting open to all village residents.

**Parish Council Meetings:** Scheduled or provisionally scheduled for 2012:  
Wednesdays: 7<sup>th</sup> March, 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 6<sup>th</sup> June, 4<sup>th</sup> July, 5<sup>th</sup> September, 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 7<sup>th</sup> November, 5<sup>th</sup> December. Meetings start at 8 pm in The Norton Meeting 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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