## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the March 2013 Meeting

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**Planning Decisions:** There was only one decision from MDC relating to Cold Norton this month, namely: <u>HOUSE/MAL/12/01069 6 Ferris Avenue, Cold Norton</u> – demolish existing garage and erect single storey side extension comprising of garage, dining room and conservatory - MDC approved (Cold Norton PC had not objected to this application).

This is just a summary of planning applications and decisions – if you would like to see full details of any of the above please contact the Maldon District Council offices on 01621 854477 or visit the web site <a href="www.maldon.gov.uk">www.maldon.gov.uk</a> or contact the Clerk – details below.

**Erection of tarpaulin on old railway bridge:** Members had been advised that a meeting had now taken place between the resident and the enforcement officer and planning department at Maldon District Council. The resident was present at this meeting and advised the Parish Council that he will now be submitting a formal application.

**Neighbourhood Watch:** Mrs Andy Allen who has for a long time been the coordinator for the village has advised that she would like to step down from this role. The role involves very little time, but having a Neighbourhood Watch 'service' in the village can result in a reduction in house insurance rates with some insurance companies. Please contact the Clerk if you would like to take on this role or would like more information. The Parish Council expressed their thanks to Mrs Allen for her work in this role.

**Car break ins:** the Cllrs had been advised that there have been instances recently overnight, where valuable items were stolen and would remind residents not to leave items in their vehicles.

**ECC Superfast Broadband Communications:** there will be a short presentation from ECC at the beginning of the Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April.

**Web Site:** apologies, but due to extreme technical difficulties experienced by the Web Master this is not up to date and some reports cannot be accessed. Measures are in hand to rectify this as soon as possible.

**Parish Council Meetings:** Scheduled or provisionally scheduled for 2013: Wednesdays 10<sup>th</sup> April, 1<sup>st</sup> May, 5<sup>th</sup> June, 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2<sup>nd</sup>November and 4<sup>th</sup> December. Meetings start at 8pm 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.

Annual Parish Meeting: scheduled for Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2013 at 8pm

**To contact the Parish Council:** please write to: The Parish Clerk (Maria Dyer), at Exordium, 30b Latchingdon Road, Cold Norton, Chelmsford, Essex. CM3 6JG. E-Mail to <a href="mailto:mariadyer30@yahoo.co.uk">mariadyer30@yahoo.co.uk</a> or phone (Monday to Friday before 5 pm please) 01621 829566.