

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS
From the April 2013 Meeting

Planning Applications: At this meeting there were four planning applications for the Councillors to consider, plus for information only NMA/MAL/13/00271 17 St Stephens Road, Cold Norton – application for non-material amendment following grant of planning permission for FUL/MAL/10/01098 (construction of a rear ground floor extension). The first of the four applications was FUL/MAL/13/00142 PP-02458185 Chestnuts, 67 Latchingdon Road, Cold Norton – garden of 67 Latchingdon Road to be split in two: the application is to build a detached 3 bedroom house on the land to the rear. There is existing access to this part of the property via an entrance from Station Road. The Parish Council object to this application as it is outside the village development boundary and it is a development of significant size. The second application was HOUSE/MAL/13/00248 PP-02509960 26 Station Crescent, Cold Norton: reinstate open trellis over existing fence alongside Public Footpath on North West boundary and erect new fence along two separate sections of the northerly boundary facing Latchingdon Road. The Parish Council did not object to the first part of this application (trellis on NW boundary), but objected to the second part for several reasons: it is at the principal entrance to the village, this is a visually important area of the village, a very large number of comments received from village residents that this is inappropriate: additionally the Parish Council requested removal of the steel poles already erected. The third application related to HOUSE/MAL/13/00202 3 Cherry Blossom Lane, Cold Norton: proposed two storey extension to provide additional accommodation – the Parish Council objected to this as it is over development of the site and there would be no access to the rear as the application proposes building up to the boundary –full width of the site. The final application was for FUL/MAL/13/00299 Three Rivers Golf & Country Club, Stow Road, Cold Norton – extend time limit for implementation of approval FUL/MAL/10/00161 (80 bedroom hotel, associated car parking, landscaping and revised access arrangements – variation to FUL/MAL/98/0120) – the Parish Council had no objections to extending the time limit proposed for this application.

Planning Decisions: There were 5 decisions from MDC relating to Cold Norton this month, the first was HOUSE/MAL/13/00031 6A St Stephens Road Cold Norton: to part demolish side garage/store, erect single storey side and rear extension and detached garage – this was approved by MDC (Cold Norton Parish Council had not objected to this application). The second decision was: HOUSE/MAL/13/00082 17 Station Crescent Cold Norton: new porch and canopy over existing bay window and conversion of existing garage to utility room and storage area. MDC had approved this application (Cold Norton Parish Council had not objected to this application). The third decision related to: FUL/MAL/13/00092 Three Rivers Golf & Country Club, Stow Road, Cold Norton: Vary conditions 13, 18 & 19 of approved application FUL/MAL/10/00161 (80 bedroom hotel, associated car parking, landscaping and revised access arrangements). This had also received approval from MDC (Cold Norton Parish Council had not objected). The fourth decision was for: HOUSE/MAL/13/00116 15 Ferris Avenue, Cold Norton: two storey front extension incorporating existing smaller extension. Single storey rear extension to replace and enlarge existing conservatory. MDC approved this application (Cold Norton Parish Council had not objected). The final decision was for: HOUSE/MAL/13/00133 Hillsborough, 42 Latchingdon Road Cold, Norton: Proposed two storey side

extension. This also received approval from MDC (Cold Norton Parish Council had not objected).

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 www.maldon.gov.uk or contact the Clerk – details below.

Cold Norton Primary School: Members had been advised that the school had requested back in 2000 installation of railings outside the pedestrian gate to the school, but had been told that due to the width of the footway it was not possible. Due to an incident before the Easter break the School had again approached ECC Highways, to be advised that any request of this nature had to be made by the Parish Council. The Members requested that the Clerk write to ECC Highways to ascertain the current 'rules' re railings/footway width and to the School re this entrance/exit and arrangements for parents delivering/collecting children to/from school.

Village Hall: Members were advised that the Village Hall Management Committee would very much welcome some new Members to support the current very small team.

Maldon District Council Local Development Plan: District Cllr Ms White advised Members that this is being finalised and that a second consultation is scheduled to be put out in the Summer.

Surface Water Issues on Latchingdon Road: Members had been supplied with copies of letters received from Department of Transport and ECC following the Parish Council's letter to the Department of Transport relating to on-going problems not resolved by ECC Highways. ECC Highways to now carry out site visits.

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 1st May, 5th June, 3rd July, 4th September, 2nd November and 4th 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.

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