

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the September 2014 Meeting

Planning Applications: There were three applications for the Members to consider this month, all relating to Stow Maries Aerodrome: FUL/MAL/14/00574 and LBC/MAL/14/00575 both relating to: erection of temporary hangar (3 years) for storage and maintenance of historic aircraft; amended by the revision of the proposal and the submission of a new plan. The Members had no objections to these applications. The third HPA/MAL/14/00783 – Heritage Partnership Agreement between Trustees of Stow Maries Aerodrome, Maldon District Council and English Heritage – the Members had no objections to the contents of this agreement.

Planning Decisions: There were three planning decisions advised by MDC for Cold Norton this month. The first was for FUL/MAL/14/00452 Bluebell Barn Lower Burnham Road: change of use of redundant agricultural land to residential garden – this had received approval (the Parish Council had not objected to this application). The second decision advised related to HOUSE/MAL/14/00577 Four Corners 10, St Stephens Road: One and two storey side extension. Replacement garage. Remodel front elevation and new porch. New rear conservatory. Replacement windows. This was refused planning permission (the Parish Council had not objected to these works). The final decision advised was: MLA/MAL/13/00535 Bluebell Barn Lower Burnham Road: Discharge of items 4 and 5 from legal agreement pursuant to planning permission FUL/MAL/03/00193 (the Parish Council had not objected to this)

This is just a summary of planning applications and decisions, please note that most approved applications also carry conditions – 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.

Brownstock Music Festival in Stow Maries: Members discussed this and it was noted that the event had passed off without any disruption to Cold Norton village residents.

Buses: further to the report from the July Parish Council meeting relating to the 31X bus, at the September meeting the Members had been supplied with copies of the emails and letters received from residents. The Parish Council will be objecting to the possible withdrawal of this service through Cold Norton and will be canvassing support from our County Cllr. If you weren't able to write to the Clerk in time for the September Parish Council meeting, please email or write to the Clerk by 13th October 2014 so that the Cllr attending the ECC Parish Transport meeting will have further evidence/support that this service should not be withdrawn. NB this meeting is not open to the public.

Best Kept Churchyard of the Year: the Members were delighted to learn that St Stephens Church had come second in this competition – Congratulations to all the hard working Members of the PCC.

Mobile Library: the new timetable started at the beginning of September, a fortnightly service calling at two locations in the village: On Wednesdays at the Village Hall between 13.50 and 14.20 and Fridays in St Stephens Road (The Fairways end) between 15.35 and 16.00. In October visits will be at the Village Hall

on 1st, 15th and 29th and at St Stephens Road on 3rd, 17th and 31st. Full timetable available from the Clerk and monthly updates in The Beacon.

Immediate Care Consultation including Closure of the Walk-In Centre at Boreham: there is a public consultation at the moment seeking views for the Mid Essex NHS Clinical Care Group on their proposed 5 year plan and other plans. One of the areas included in the consultation is the closure in March 2015 of the walk-in service at North Chelmsford Healthcare Centre behind Sainsbury's (this does not include the GP Practice at the site.). This walk-in service can save a trip to A & E at Broomfield. There have been a series of consultation open workshops for the public; the final three in October are on 8th in Cathedral Chapter House in Chelmsford, on 9th in Queens Hall, Halstead and 15th October in Royal Burnham Yacht Club all at 7pm - 9pm. To view the consultation document and complete a questionnaire please visit www.midessexccg.nhs.uk go to 'Public Consultations and click on 'A New Approach to Immediate Care' – the questionnaire is quite straightforward. Consultation closes on 30th October 2014.

Winter Salt Bag Scheme: this will operate again this year and ECC will be providing the salt free of charge. If you would like to part of the team for your road, please contact the Clerk.

Essex Girls & Boys Club: there is an opportunity to set up a Youth Club in the village with the help of Essex Girls & Boys Club, who have Lottery Funding to facilitate this. But we need some residents to come forward to get involved in the first stage, which is to ascertain if the young people want a club (10 would be enough to start a club) and if so what they want from a club; volunteers would be needed to run the club. If you would like to help with the initial research stage or want some more information, please contact the Clerk.

Parish Council Meetings: Provisionally scheduled for 2014: Wednesdays 1st October, 5th November, and 3rd 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.

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 mariadyer30@yahoo.co.uk or phone (Monday to Friday before 5 pm please) 01621 829566.