

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the January 2017 Meeting

Planning Applications: there were four planning applications considered at this meeting: WTPO/MAL/16/01386 19 Station Crescent: T1 Oak- reduce the canopy by 3-4 metres: the Members recommended the granting of planning permission as they did not consider the proposed works harmful, providing they are carried out in accordance with TPO advice. FUL/MAL/16/01463 PP-05696601 Land adjacent Little Canneys, Stow Road, Cold Norton: Proposed erection of a single dwelling with link attached pool enclosure, detached two bay garage and associated works, following demolition of existing buildings: the Members recommended the refusal of planning permission as this property is outside the development boundary and is a substantial development – contrary to policies of the Maldon District Replacement Local Plan and the Maldon District Local Development Plan. COUPA/MAL/16/01428 Flambirds Farm, Hackmans Lane, Cold Norton: Prior approval of proposed change of use of agricultural building to 2 no. dwelling houses (Class C3) and for associated operational development (minor amendments to approved scheme 15/01043): the Members had no comment re this application. FUL/MAL/16/01334 White Acres, Crown Road, Cold Norton: Removal of Condition 3 on approved planning permission FUL/MAL/14/00906 (Alterations, remodelling and extensions to planning permission FUL/MAL/11/00741 – one x 4 bed bungalow with basement and one x 5 bed bungalow with basement): the Members recommended refusal re removal of condition 3 which had stated: *“Within one month of the first occupation of the second of the two dwellings approved under planning permission FUL/MAL/11/00741 the existing dwelling on the site shall be demolished and the resulting material removed from the site. At no time shall more than two dwelling be occupied upon the site”*. Removal of condition 3 would then be permitting 3 properties on this site and the original plan was to retain the rural aspect; this site is outside the village development boundary and as stated by the Members in their response to MDC when FUL/MAL/14/00906 was considered that whilst the PC had no objections to the alterations that the *‘... view expressed by residents in the Village Survey calls for restricted development outside the village development boundary and for that reason the Parish Council would not like to see any further development on this site’*

Planning Decisions: (covering the period w/e 9th December to w/e 6th January 2017): only one during this period, namely: LBC/MAL/16/01155 Officers Mess, Stow Maries Aerodrome, Hackmans Lane, Cold Norton: Proposed works to the existing officers mess building to carefully remove the existing decayed asbestos roof covering and replace with a profiled cement fibre board to match the existing profile: works to the south elevation to infill existing enlarged openings to install new doors, windows and entrance canopy to reinstate the facade to the original appearance. Maldon District Council ‘Granted Listed Building Consent’. Cold Norton PC had recommended the granting of LBC.

Planning applications and decisions: if you would like to see full details of any planning application, please contact the Maldon District Council offices on 01621 854477 or visit the web site www.maldon.gov.uk

Villager of the Year: Please see feature elsewhere in this magazine on past winners and how to nominate someone for 2017. The winner will be announced and the shield presented at the Annual Parish Meeting – date to be advised.

Precept 2017-2018: The Councillors having initially considered budget figures at the December meeting reviewed the revised figures presented at this meeting. It was agreed to set the Precept at £25,000 to accommodate an increase in the planned reserve; whilst this is an increase of £2,839 over last year's precept, the precept for 2016-2017 showed a £2,539 reduction over 2015-2016.

Break-ins: unfortunately another break-in was reported to the Parish Council at this meeting – please take care.

Winter Salt Scheme: Cold Norton is again participating in this scheme. ECC has supplied the Parish Council with salt to be used by residents to put down on side roads which are not on the main gritting routes, so that drivers can reach the main road and footways are gritted for pedestrians. If you want to be part of the Cold Norton Salt Team for your road, please contact the Clerk for more information.

UK Power Networks: has supplied the Parish Council with leaflets for residents who may need extra support if there is a power cut. These leaflets will be available at the Seniors Coffee mornings and Lunch Club or contact the Parish Clerk for a copy – details at end.

Cold Norton Footpaths Map: copies available from the Clerk.

Parish Council Meetings: Meetings start at 7.30pm in The Les Barclay Room at the Village Hall. Meetings provisionally scheduled for 2017: Wednesday 8th February (NB changed from 1st February) and 1st March. 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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