

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the December 2018 Meeting

Planning Applications: There were seven applications considered by the Members at this meeting. The Members had no objections to six of the applications which were: 18/01336/HOUSE 14 St Stephens Road: First floor side extension; 18/01339/HOUSE Avalon 30D Latchingdon Road: Construction of single storey rear extension; 18/01310/RES PP-07386376 Land South of Nathilda, Purleigh Grove: Reserved matters application for the approval of appearance, landscaping and layout on planning application OUT/MAL/17/00918 allowed on appeal APP/X1545/W/18/3199192 (Erection of two single storey dwellings); 18/01364/FUL PP-07360102 Tosca Latchingdon Road: Proposal: Change of use from storage and a car park to residential use; 18/01392/WTPO PP-07438972 34 St Stephens Road: Oak (T1): Reduce crown by up to 1.5 metres to shape and balance. Remove deadwood. Clear cables by 0.5 metres. Oak (T2): Reduce crown by up to 1.5 metres to shape and balance. Remove deadwood; 18/01421/HOUSE 16 St Stephens Road: First floor extension over garage, two storey front extension and a pitched link roof between new & existing gable roofs. Enclosing existing front porch and new storm porch on the front elevation. The Members objected to 18/01352/HOUSE Bay Lodge 1 Newport Avenue: Alter & convert garage building to form annexe, and recommended that planning permission be refused for the following reasons: *“Proliferation on land outside the village development boundary (Contrary to policy S8 of the Maldon District LDP – Settlement Boundaries and the Countryside). Could lead to further development “*

Planning Decisions: (covering the period w/e 9th November to w/e 30th November 2018): there were five decisions advised by Maldon District Council: the first decision advised was: FUL/MAL/17/01071 Stow Maries Aerodrome, Hackmans Lane: Variation of conditions 13 & 14 on approved planning permission FUL/MAL/09/00250 (Re-instatement of airfield and erection of 2no. aircraft hangers to match former buildings on site). This was approved by MDC. The second was: HOUSE/MAL/18/01067 11 Victoria Road: Two storey side extension, single storey rear extension, works to convert the garage and extending the lean to roof. This also received approval from MDC. The next decisions related to: FUL/MAL/18/01167 & LBC/MAL/18/01168 Norton Hall, St Stephens Road: Conversion of existing stables, currently used as storage, to ancillary accommodation – both were approved. The final decision advised was: WTPO/MAL/18/01208 Two Oaks, 24 St Stephens Road: T1 and T2 - Oak - Selectively crown reduce by up to 2 metres to shape and balance. Remove deadwood. Crown lift to approximately 4 metres. Prune to clear BT cable by approximately 1 metre. All cuts to be made to the nearest suitable growth point. MDC refused permission for T1 Oak - Selectively crown reduce by up to 2 metres to shape and balance, as it considered this would substantially reduce the amenity value of the tree and therefore is considered unacceptable as it would unnecessarily result in a reduction of amenity value to the detriment of the character and appearance of the area; but approval was given for the other works, namely: T2 - Oak - Selectively crown reduce by up to 2 metres to shape and balance. T1 & T2 Oak - Crown lift to approximately 4 metres. Prune to clear BT cable by approximately 1 metre. All cuts to be made to the nearest suitable growth point.

Appeal decision: 17/00181/HROW (Appeal Ref: APP/HGW/17/506) Land East of Lords Acre Nursery, Lower Burnham Road - North Fambridge. Appeal against the removal (without notifying the Council of the intention to do so by the submission of a

formal 'hedgerow removal notice') of 700m of rural hedgerow in contravention of Regulation 5(1). Appeal Allowed and the Hedgerow Replacement Notice (HRN) is squashed.

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

Website: the Parish Council now has a new website: <http://www.cold-norton.org.uk> There are sections still being worked on with information to be added, but do please visit the web site and let us know what you think. If you are a local business, club or organisation based in Cold Norton and would like to be listed on the website, please contact the Clerk by email (see below for details).

Dogs: Dogs are **not** allowed on the playing field - there is a Byelaw in place to enforce this. This area is used by children and adults for recreation and sporting activities. If you witness dog(s) in this area please inform the Parish Council. New signage is now in place.

Village Hall Car Park: this is only for use by people at an event/class in the village hall or in the playing field, or as authorised e.g. dropping off/collecting children at school start/finish times – additional signage has been installed

Housing Needs Survey/Affordable Housing: Members decided to carry out one in the New Year through the Rural Community Council of Essex to establish if there is a need for affordable properties for local people in the village. Affordable Housing can be social rented, affordable rented and intermediate homes which are provided to eligible households whose needs cannot be met by the open market. The survey will establish if there are households in the village or people with a strong local connection who are in need of affordable housing.

Future of Library Services 2019 - 2014 Consultation: please visit: <https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/libraries-consultation> to read the proposals, which are proposing closure of some libraries, and complete the survey which closes on 20th February 2019. If you would like a printed version, ask at the library or call 0345 603 7639.

Essex Fire & Rescue Plan Survey: to ask the people of Essex for their views on the priorities to be included in the county's first ever Fire and Rescue Plan, via this link <http://www.essex.pfcc.police.uk/fire-rescue-plan-2019-2024-public-survey/> Hard copies are also available on request - please contact 01245 291600 or email: pfcc@essex.pnn.police.uk Survey will close on 15th January 2019.

Local Parish Council (and District Council) Elections: will take place May 2019. If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, please contact the Parish Clerk or attend a PC meeting to find out what is involved.

Pink Recycling Bags & Food Recycling Bags: these can be collected at coffee mornings generally held fortnightly in The Les Barclay Room in the Village Hall between the hours of 9.30am - 12 noon. See 'Dates for your Diary' at back of this magazine for dates of the coffee mornings.

Village Shop – Country Produce: this is now under new management, has extended its opening times, is being restocked, and now has a drinks licence. As a village facility the shop will need to be supported by village residents if it is to survive.

Street Lights on Latchingdon Road: these belong to the Parish Council, so if you notice one isn't working please contact the Clerk.

Winter Salt Scheme: if you would like to be part of the salt team for your road for the season 2018/19 please contact the Clerk.

Highways or Public Right of Way (Footpath) Issues: whilst the Parish Council will report these matters to ECC Highways when made aware of an issue, residents can report issues relating to footpaths or other highways issues (e.g. potholes, road signs, vegetation etc.) direct to highways via:

<http://www.essexhighways.org/Transport-and-Roads.aspx>

Parish Council Meetings: Meetings start at 7.30pm in The Les Barclay Room at the Village Hall. The first PC Meeting in the New Year is scheduled for: Wednesday 9th January. Other dates: Wednesdays: 6th February, 6th March, 3rd April, 8th May (first meeting of new Council), 5th June, 3rd July, 4th September, 2nd October, 6th November and 4th December. 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. Email: mariadyer30@yahoo.co.uk or phone 01621 829566. Please note the Clerk works part time and will respond as soon as possible.