

**PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**  
From the July 2019 Meeting

**Planning Applications:** There were seven applications considered by the Members at this meeting. Of these seven, three considered related to trees: the Members had no objections to the following two: 19/00504/WTPO IAP00041011-002 17 St Stephens Road: T1 Ash - Trim branches and WTPO/MAL/19/00553 IAP00042121-001 7 Henney Close: T1 Maple and T2 Hawthorn - Reduce the height and width by 1m - TPO 18/95 overhanging road by 3 metres, but added the following comment: "The Parish Council raises no objections to these works providing they are in line with MDC's Tree Officer's recommendations." The third tree application was: WTPO/MAL/19/00696 PP-079422955 36 St Stephens Road: T4 & T5 Oak – Fell. The Members agreed that they did not wish to tick any of the options on the MDC form (which are 'recommend granting of approval' 'recommend refusal' or 'no objections') but submitted the following comment: "As Oaks are the defining character of St Stephens Road, the Parish Council would normally strongly object to the felling of any of the Oaks in this road and recommend remedial works and management of the subsidence, however, in this case the Parish Council will rely on MDC's Tree Officer's expertise and recommendation as to the best course of action." The fourth application considered was: HOUSE/MAL/19/00530 PP-07841657 Oakwood Manor, Station Road: Proposed outbuilding with swimming pool area. Proposed single storey outbuilding with pitched roof and Velux windows over and part flat roof: the Members recommended refusal for the following reasons:

- 1. It is outside the development boundary. Contrary to policy S1 of the Maldon District LDP (Settlement Boundaries and the Countryside)*
- 2. Would cause the intensified domestication of the application site in a manner that would fail to protect or enhance the natural beauty, tranquillity, amenity and traditional quality of the rural landscape. Contrary to policies S1, D1 and H4 of the Maldon District LDP."* The next application considered was: FUL/MAL/19/00611 PP-07847044 Little Canneys, Stow Road: Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of a replacement dwelling with garaging, pool enclosure and associated works: The Members recommended refusal for the following reasons:

- 1. It is outside the development boundary. Contrary to policy S1 of the Maldon District LDP (Settlement Boundaries and the Countryside)*
- 2. Would cause the intensified domestication of the application site in a manner that would fail to protect or enhance the natural beauty, tranquillity, amenity and traditional quality of the rural landscape. Plus significant increase in scale - the proposed dwelling, by virtue of its scale, bulk, form and location would represent an unduly large dwelling that would be wholly at odds with the character and appearance of the surrounding area. Contrary to policies S1, D1 and H4 of the Maldon District LDP."* The sixth application considered was: 19/00505/HOUSE PP-07717634 7 Norton Hall, St Stephens Road: Greenhouse installation: the Members had no objections to this application. The final application was: LBC/MAL/19/00616 PP-07899593 Buildings 5, 30 & 34 Stow Maries Aerodrome, Hackmans Lane: Proposed removal of existing modern pebble dash render and replacement with lime slurry mix to buildings 5 and 30 and the repair and replacement of existing smooth cement render to building 34 using lime render and prompt. The Members recommended the granting of permission for these works for the following reason: "This will revert the buildings back to their original state as part of the Trust's overall plans to ensure authenticity of this historical site."

**Planning Decisions:** (covering the period w/e 7<sup>th</sup> to w/e 28<sup>th</sup> June to 2019): there were seven decisions advised by Maldon District Council, namely: HOUSE/MAL/19/00437 30A Latchingdon Road: Single storey rear extension. MDC approved this application (the PC had not objected). HOUSE/MAL/19/00442 Avalon 30D Latchingdon Road: Amendment of approved application 18/01339/HOUSE - Single storey rear extension. MDC approved this application (the PC had not objected). FUL/MAL/19/00466 Land East of Pine Lodge, Junction Road: Conversion of workshop to three bedroom dwelling. MDC refused this application (the PC had not objected). FUL/MAL/19/00454 New Dwelling at Great Canney Cottage, Hackmans Lane: Removal of condition 9 (which removes permitted development rights for garages, extensions and separate buildings) on approved planning permission FUL/MAL/17/01317 (Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling). MDC refused (the PC had recommended refusal). FUL/MAL/19/00455 Vermont, 27 Stow Road: Demolition of existing two storey dwelling house and construction of new two storey dwelling house including outbuilding/garage and new dropped kerb to existing vehicular access. MDC refused permission (the PC had not objected). HOUSE/MAL/19/00484 14A Latchingdon Road: First floor extension, raising the roof of the dwelling, rear and side single storey extension and open porch. MDC refused permission (the PC had not objected). PDE/MAL/19/00573 4 The Links: Single storey rear extension with flat roof which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 8m, maximum height of 3.91m and the maximum height to the eaves of 3m. MDC had advised that: "PRIOR APPRIVAL WAS NOT REQUIRED" (the PC had not commented).

**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](http://www.maldon.gov.uk)

**Villager of the Year 2019 – Graham Cornell:** Awarded at the Annual Parish Council Meeting to Graham Cornell for being so generous with his time over many, many years to the benefit of Cold Norton and its residents. Graham's willingness to help with and at village events - combining kindness and patience with his acting skill, plus his cheerful and friendly face around the village, all contributed to the unanimous vote of the Parish Councillors to make this award to Graham Cornell.

**County Broadband:** Members discussed the issue of County Broadband proposing to erect poles to facilitate their installation of Broadband to the village, instead of using ducts as had been proposed in their original presentation. The Members had been supplied with copy emails between the Clerk and County Broadband and that a meeting would be arranged with County Broadband, ECC Highways and the PC to discuss. NB Prior to this meeting being arranged County Broadband agreed to a redesign so that 90% of the cabling would be via ducts.

**Vacancies on the Parish Council:** there are two vacant seats on the Council which will be filled by co-option. Applications will be considered at the September meeting. Please contact the Clerk to express your interest or for more information.

**Signage at the Corner of Hackmans Lane & Howe Green Road:** several years ago the white fingerpost at this point was damaged in bad weather and not replaced at that point as it was not considered high priority by ECC. New signage has now been installed, but not in the form of the 'rural' signage as before. ECC Highways will be asked why and Members will discuss at the September meeting.

**Country Produce:** has now reopened.

**Basketball/Netball Nets:** a resident has very kindly purchased some 'metal nets' – Thank you very much. These will be installed by the Village Caretaker.

**Passenger Transport Meeting/Dengie 100 Bus Users Group:** Thanks were expressed to Mrs Andi Allen for very kindly attending these two meetings in June and producing two very comprehensive reports. These will be reproduced and put onto the Parish Council Web Site. If you are a bus user and would like to read this but don't have access to a computer, please contact the Clerk for a paper copy.

**Health & Wellbeing: Mental Health Training:** the Parish Council has been offered the opportunity at no charge to host a half day course to raise awareness of mental health, covering:

- Introduction to mental health and mental health issues
- Factors affecting mental health
- Stigma and its impact on recovery
- Understanding the skills to being a conversation about their mental health
- Looking after your own mental health

Those attending the course will get a manual, workbook/toolkit and a certificate to say you are 'Mental Health Aware'.

This course can be held on a weekday or a Saturday (9am to 1.15pm) for a minimum of 8 people/maximum of 25 people. If you would be interested in attending, please contact the Clerk (details below) by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 and advise whether you would prefer a weekday or Saturday session – a session will be organised based on demand.

**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.

**Street Lights on Latchingdon Road:** these belong to the Parish Council, so if you notice one isn't working 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>

**Winter Salt Scheme 2019/2020:** the Cllrs agreed that the Parish Council would again participate in this scheme. If you would like to be a Salt Team Member for your road, please contact the Clerk.

**Parish Council Meetings:** Meetings start at 7.30pm in The Les Barclay Room at the Village Hall. Meeting in 2019 scheduled for: Wednesdays: 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 6<sup>th</sup> November and 4<sup>th</sup> December. The Parish Council will be in recess in August, but extraordinary meeting(s) will be called if required. 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.  
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