

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the May 2022 Meeting

Planning Applications: there were no planning applications this month for Members to consider.

Planning Decisions: (covering the period w/e 8th April to w/e 29th April 2022): there were three decisions advised for Cold Norton and one 'For Information Only'. The first application advised was: FUL/MAL/22/00015 Land Between Koombora & Mansfield, Victoria Road: Erection of self-build detached dwelling complete with parking, landscaping and related infrastructure. MDC refused this application (the Members of Cold Norton Parish Council had recommended refusal). The second decision advised was: HOUSE/MAL/22/00217 11 St Stephens Road: Single storey rear extension with 3 new roof dormers. Changes in fenestration. MDC approved this extension (the Members had recommended approval). The third decision was: FUL/MAL/22/00089 Sky High, Hagg Hill: Construction of new garage and equipment store. MDC refused these works (the Members had not objected). The 'For Information Only' application was: LDP/MAL/22/00132 34 Green Trees Avenue: Claim for lawful development certificate for a proposed single storey side extension with flat roof. MDC advised approval as the proposed single storey side extension would fall within the tolerance of Class A of Parts 1 & 2, of Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended).

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

TRUCAM/Speed Checks: during the two hours/3 sessions of TRUCAM/Speed Checks conducted during March only one speeding offence was recorded and in April during the three hours/5 sessions, five speeding offences were recorded. All offences are forwarded to the Police for processing. Drivers will either receive 3 points on their licence and £100 fine or be offered a speed awareness course at a cost of £100. (NB the Parish Council has increased the number of TRUCAM hours from 2 to 3 from April 2022 to March 2023).

Report from Essex County Cllr Mrs Jane Fleming: Cllr Mrs Fleming supplied a report updating Members including the following:

Essex Wellbeing Service – In your Area: The Essex Wellbeing Service has a handy search function called 'In Your Area', which allows you to enter your location to view local services in either a list or map format. This page also includes 'Live Well, Link Well', which can help to find and connect to well-known support organisations across the county, such as 'United in Kind' Coaches, 'Heads Up' and access to virtual support, plus much more.

Ink Bins are now available in all Essex Libraries: If you have a printer at home, we're offering you an eco-friendly way of disposing of your empty ink cartridges. Instead of throwing them away in your rubbish bin, take them to your local library instead for recycling. Every library has a new Ink Bin recycling box to put your empty home-use ink cartridges in. Once they are collected, they will be sorted, refilled and put back on the market as remanufactured ink cartridges. This will stop them ending up in landfill. The Ink Bin company is an Essex business set up in 2019 by local teacher Becky Baines. Their main aim is to return ink cartridges back into the Circular

Economy. So, start saving and recycling your empty cartridges now and you'll have the satisfaction knowing you are doing your bit to save the planet! See the full details of the [recycling facilities available at your local library](#).

Essex Library of Things: Reduce waste & get active with help from the Essex Library of Things which has teamed up with Find Your Active to provide a fantastic range of kits and equipment to get the whole family active. The Essex Library of Things gives you the chance to try new hobbies for free without the risk of anything going to waste. Simply borrow an item, try it out and return it to be reused by others. View the full range of active equipment on the [Essex Library of Things catalogue](#). From outdoor games and croquet kits to tennis sets and football equipment, there's something for everyone.

New Fund to Provide Boost to the Economy: A new fund will invest £100 million to set the Essex economy up for the future. The Essex Renewal Fund (ERF) has a 20-year growth framework and will help create 1,500 jobs. It will make long-term investments to support economic growth, delivering a commercial return to the council. ERF will target our identified key growth sectors. This will support our ambitions on future and green growth, net zero, providing good quality jobs and levelling up the economy. For more information, please visit: [New £100m Essex Renewal Fund - Essex County Council](#)

Playground & Car Park Project (PCP): the new playground is being well used and as the Parish Council's application for a loan to extend the car park and carry out works to Cherry Blossom Lane has now been approved, updated costs and start date for works are now being investigated.

Pink Recycling Bags/Green Food Waste Bags: please email the Parish Clerk: mariadyr30@yahoo.co.uk or the Chairman: brian.haydon@btinternet.com
Link for details of other places in the district where recycling bags are available: https://www.maldon.gov.uk/info/20043/recycling/9266/recycling_sack_stockists

Highways or Public Right of Way (Footpath) Issues: 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>

Support for Ukraine: visit the Maldon District Council dedicated web page for information and ways to help: <https://www.maldon.gov.uk/ukraine>

Footpath Map: there is a full colour map which shows all the Public Rights of Way in our Village. If you would like a copy, please contact the Clerk.

Parish Council Meetings in 2022:

Wednesdays 1st June, 6th July, 7th September, 5th October, 2nd November, 7th December. Meetings start at 7.30pm and are held in The Les Barclay Room at the Village Hall.

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: mariadyr30@yahoo.co.uk or phone 01621 829566. Please note the Clerk works part time and will respond as soon as possible.

Parish Council website: <https://www.cold-norton.org.uk>