

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the January 2023 Meeting

Planning Applications: there were four planning applications this month for Members to consider. The first was: 22/01160/FUL PP-11670080 Land at Woodstock Farm, St Stephens Road: permanent rural worker dwelling. Members has no objections, but added the comment that it would not wish to see any further residential development on this site. The second application considered was: 22/01229/HOUSE PP-11749141 Beacon Hill House, Latchingdon Road: proposed demolition of existing single storey front addition and replacement with two storey extension with accessible access and lift, first floor extension over garages and two storey rear extension, changes to existing windows and external doors and internal alterations. There were no objections to this application or the next which was: 22/01207/HOUSE PP-11738912 Little Canneys, Stow Road: proposed 2 storey rear extension and alteration of existing dormers to rear elevation (amendment to approved scheme 17/00672/HOUSE). The last application considered was: 22/01213/WTRP PP-11739675 36 St Stephens Road: TPO/ 2/83 T2 Oak – reduce the size of the tree by 3 metres. The Members had no objections to these works providing they are in line with MDC's Tree Officer's recommendations. The following was supplied for information only: 22/01208/LDP PP-11738964 Little Canneys, Stow Road: Claim for lawful development certificate for a proposed single storey cart lodge and replacement window to the side of the main dwellinghouse (the Members are not required to submit any comments)

Planning Decisions: (covering the period w/e 9th December 2022 to w/e 6th January 2023): there were two decisions advised by Maldon District Council (MDC) during this period, namely: LDP/MAL/22/01080 Cold Norton County Primary School 2 St Stephens Road: Claim for lawful development certificate for the removal of existing running track to be replaced with an all-weather low maintenance bonded surface. MDC refused permission because: *"The proposed all-weather track is considered to be development and would not fall within the tolerance of Class N of Part 7 of Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (as amended)."* The second decision advised was: HOUSE/MAL/22/01049 Omeath 11 Latchingdon Road: Demolition of existing conservatory. The erection of a single storey rear extension. This was also refused by MDC.

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

Precept 2023-2024: 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 £41,600 - an increase of £2,851 (7.36%) over last year's precept. For a Band D property, the portion of the Council Tax for Cold Norton for the year 2023/24 will be £82.74 as opposed to £76.84 the previous year (an extra 49p per month per home).

TRUCAM/Speed Checks: only one check was able to be carried out in December, resulting in 2 speeding offences being recorded. These were 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.

Dengie Earth Matters: is a new environmental initiative, which is open to anyone. It's grass roots, but supported by the local authorities, including Maldon District Council, Solar Together, Essex Forest Initiative and commercial organisations to encourage people to consider green alternatives and to take small and affordable action to improve the environment. Join the Forum to discuss, discover and engage in all thing environmental, ecological and earthy. For more information email: CAF@maldon.gov.uk

Pink Recycling Bags/Green Food Waste Bags: these will no longer be available from the Parish Council Chairman or Clerk. Until a new village location can be organised, please follow this link for details of 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: <https://www.essexhighways.org/tell-us/problem-check>

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. Copies of the map are also available in The Norton Public House. Or the map is available to view on the Parish Council website by following this link: <https://www.cold-norton.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/C139237.pdf>

Parish Council Meetings in 2023:

1st February, 1st March, 5th April, 10th May (NB not first Wednesday in May because of elections on 4th May), 7th June, 5th July, 6th September, 4th October, 1st November and 6th 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: clerk@cold-norton.org.uk (NB new email address) 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/>