

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS
From the December 2015 Meeting

Planning Applications: three planning applications were considered at this meeting, namely: WTPO/MAL/15/0102418 St Stephens Road - TPO 2/83 T1 Oak: reduce height and width of crown by up to 2m all round (4m across in total width). Crown lift to approx. 3m. Remove dead wood and crossing branches. T2 Sycamore – remove as decayed at base (amended by submission of a revised description – this had been considered at the November meeting Sycamore now added). The Members did not object to these works provided they are carried out under the guidance of MDC's Tree Officer. WTPO/MAL/15/01111 Land at junction of Latchingdon Road and Station Road: T1 - Ash - light prune to clear wires, maximum 5 diameter. T2 - Ash - Prune the limb closer to the fence back to the boundary. Upright limb over garden - re pollard. T3 - Ash - Remove upright limb rubbing on overhead wires, cut to a suitable point or re pollard. T4 - Ash - Remove sub lateral limbs over garden to approx. 8m high. T5 - Southern stem - prune growth back to boundary. Northern Stem - remove limb resting on wires. T6 - Ash - remove minor limb over the road. The Members did not object to the works proposed provided they are carried out under the guidance of MDC's Tree Officer. The third application considered was: OUT/MAL/15/01086 Land North of 29 Green Trees Avenue: Outline planning application with all matter reserved for the construction of 7 dwellings with associated off-street parking. The Members objected to this application for the following reasons:

- It is outside the village development boundary and therefore contrary to the Parish Council's Planning Policy
- It will impinge on the rural nature of the village; 97% of respondents to the 2011 village survey wanted the rural character of the village preserved
- Access concerns: through Victoria Road which is narrow, leading to
- Traffic issues and concerns

There were two further applications on the agenda, namely: FUL/MAL/15/01158 Supreme Installation, South East Ltd., Workshop, New Farm, Stow Road: Variation of condition 4, 11, 13, 14 of approved application FUL/MAL/15/00340 (Change of use of farm buildings and ground to commercial use. Removal of containers and erection of new unit in their place). Reason: condition 4 - goods, materials to be stored in new building, condition 11 - electric air conditioning, condition 13 -1 dusk till dawn light fitting and two flood lights, condition 14 - car parking and HOUSE/MAL/15/01068 PP-04541464 Klenya, Latchingdon Road: Retention of existing fence over 1 meter high erected adjacent to the highway. These were not considered because the meeting was closed due to a public disturbance and it was not possible for MDC to grant an extension to allow the Parish Council to consider at another meeting.

Planning Decisions: four decisions were advised to the Members: LBC/MAL/15/00830 Stow Maries Great War Aerodrome Limited Stow Maries Aerodrome Hackman's Lane: Proposed alterations to reinstate the existing brick pier to the West elevation of the MT shed to match the existing adjacent exactly and to install additional wind bracing to the metal rafters of the MT shed to provide lateral support to the roof and the gable walls. Proposed reinstatement of existing slate cat-slide roof to the South end of the West elevation of the RE workshop. MDC granted listed building consent to these works (the Parish Council had not objected). LBC/MAL/15/00832 Stow Maries Great War Aerodrome Limited Stow Maries Aerodrome Hackman's Lane Purleigh: Proposed works for the careful demolition of the existing non-original timber framed and corrugated iron clad cart lodge to the

North of the MT Shed. . MDC granted listed building consent to these works (the Parish Council had not objected). COUPA/MAL/15/01043 Flambirds Farm Hackman's Lane -Prior approval of proposed change of use of agricultural building to 2 No dwelling houses (class C3) and for associated operational development – Prior Approval was refused by MDC (the Parish Council had objected to this application). HOUSE/MAL/15/00862 Hillsborough 42 Latchingdon Road: Respective application for wall and gates to front of property. MDC refused planning permission (the Parish Council had objected)

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

Comments by Residents on Planning Applications: residents can comment on any planning application (comments must relate to planning issues) by writing to Maldon District Council (Princes Road, Maldon CM9 5DL) or emailing: dc.planning@maldon.gov.uk

Highways & Road Safety: the finger sign post at the corner of Hackman's Lane. Howe Green Road and Latchingdon Road was damaged as a result of recent stormy weather and removed by ECC Highways – the Members have requested that the same style is reinstated in keeping with the rural nature of the area. Hedges and vegetation along Latchingdon Road from the bridge to County Produce – to keep this footway clear for pedestrians, home and landowners will be asked to trim back their vegetation prior to the nesting season which starts in March. The Members adopted the Cold Norton Road Safety Plan 2015 – 2020.

Police Matters: inconsiderate parking in St Stephens Road continues to be a major concern – the Police will be asked to undertake regular site visits. The Police have also been advised that cars are now parking on the footway on Latchingdon Road near the zebra crossing, causing obstruction for pedestrians and parents with pushchairs etc.

Essex Fire Service & Essex Police Volunteering Scheme for Essex Parishes (Parish Safety Volunteers): the aim is to recruit two Parish Safety Volunteers per Parish, tasked with arranging and conducting home safety visits. These volunteers will deliver crucial fire and crime prevention advice, extensive knowledge of local support services *and* the ability to fit smoke detectors directly into the homes of those most in need. If you would like more information regarding this please contact the Clerk (details at the end) or contact Essex County Fire and Rescue Service direct by email: PSV@essex-fire.gov.uk or telephone 01376 576203

Cold Norton Footpath Map: please contact the Clerk if you would like a copy.

Guide to Ordinary Watercourse Maintenance: please contact the Clerk if you would like a copy (residents who have responsibility for a ditch may find useful).

Winter Salt Bag Scheme: the Parish Council will be participating in this for the coming winter. If you would like to help in your road please contact the Parish Clerk for more information.

Parish Council Meetings: Meetings now start at 7.30pm in The Les Barclay Room at the Village Hall. Provisionally scheduled for 2016: Wednesdays 13th January, 3rd February and 2nd 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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