

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the February 2016 Meeting

Planning Applications: there was just one planning application considered at this meeting, namely: FUL/MAL/15/00868 Land Rear of Imps Camp, Purleigh Grove: Variation of condition 2 on approved planning permission FUL/MAL/14/01039 (Amended plans to planning application FUL/MAL/13/01118 - permission given for single storey dwelling and cart lodge garage, amended plans for one and half storey dwelling and cart lodge garage) Alterations of size of windows & adding windows and removing 1 window. Alteration of position of window, adding small entrance porch & staircase to garage. The Cllrs had no objections to this variation.

Planning Decisions: there were no planning decisions relating to Cold Norton this month.

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

Broadband: the meeting started with an update from James Salmon at County Broadband, advising that most of the village is now covered except the lower part of Latchingdon Road achieving speeds of up to 32 Mb, that they are working on a phone network/combined package which won't require line rental and that once a fibre optic line is available from London to Cold Norton that speeds of up to 100 Mb will be possible.

Latchingdon Road: letters have been delivered to all residents and landowners from the bridge to County Produce asking that trimming back of vegetation is carried out twice a year to keep the footway as clear and as wide as possible for pedestrians.

Dog Fouling: this is recurring again outside the school. It is an offence not to clean up after a dog that has fouled. If you know someone who allows their dog to foul and fails to clean up after the dog, you should make a note of the time and date of the offence and the details of the dog owner and then contact Maldon District Council on: 01621 854477. The maximum fine for this offence is £1000

Villager of the Year 2016: the winner will be announced and the shield presented at the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 12th April. Please see feature elsewhere in this magazine on past winners and how to nominate someone for 2016.

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). The Clerk also has some copies of the maps "Where Does Water Go" produced by ECC as a result of the Watercourse Survey undertaken last year by Cold Norton Cllrs.

Parish Council Meetings: Meetings now start at 7.30pm in The Les Barclay Room at the Village Hall. Provisionally scheduled for 2016: Wednesdays 2nd March and 6th April. Members of the Public are warmly welcomed to hear the proceedings and to speak during the time set aside for that purpose.

Annual Parish Meeting (APM) will be held on Tuesday 12th April 2016 at 8pm. Purpose of the Annual Parish Meeting: All Parish and Town Councils throughout England are required by law to hold an Annual Parish Meeting at this time each year. The purpose of calling this meeting is so that the Parish Council can explain what it has been doing over the last year and it enables the electors to have their say on anything which they consider is important to the people of Cold Norton.

To contact the Parish Council: please write to: The Parish Clerk (Maria Dyer), at Exordium, 30b Latchingdon Road, Cold Norton, Chelmsford, Essex. CM3 6JG. E-Mail to mariadyer30@yahoo.co.uk or phone (Monday to Friday before 5 pm please) 01621 829566.