

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the Annual General Meeting and the May 2015 Meeting

The Parish Council Annual General Meeting was held on 13th May 2015

The Parish Councillors elected at the 7th May 2015 election are:

Mr John Archer
Mrs Sue Garnham
Mrs Von Jennings
Mr Charles Litscher
Mr Stewart Rivers
Mr Philip Wakeling

At the AGM officers were elected as follows:

Chairman: Mr Stewart Rivers

Vice Chairman: Mr Philip Wakeling

Playing Field Representative: Mr Charles Litscher

Nature Conservation Area Representative: Mr Charles Litscher

Village Hall Representatives: Mrs Sue Garnham and Mrs Von Jennings

Public Rights of Way (Footpaths) Representative: Mr Philip Wakeling

Transport Representative: Mr Stewart Rivers

Police/NAP Representative: Mr Stewart Rivers

The Internal Auditor was confirmed as ASAP Office Services. The External Auditor appointed by the Audit Commission is PKF Littlejohn. Mr Wakeling and Mrs Garnham will remain as signatories as at present and Mr Litscher will complete the necessary paperwork to become the third signatory.

Vacancy on the Parish Council: The Election on 7th May 2015 was uncontested and there is one seat vacant on the Council. The Members agreed this would be filled by co-option and applications would be considered at the September meeting. Please contact the Clerk to express your interest or for more information.

The AGM was followed by the ordinary meeting of the Parish Council

Planning Applications: the Councillors considered three planning applications. The first was: HOUSE/MAL/15/00251 Glenalmond, 17 Hackmans Lane - temporary siting of a mobile home to be used as annexe for up to 2 years. The Members objected to this application. The second application was: HOUSE/MAL/15/00305 Toad Hall, Station Road - single storey side extension with rooms in roof and linked to existing property (re-submission). There were no objections to this application. The third related to: FUL/MAL/15/00340 New Farm, Stow Road, Stow Maries - change of use of farm buildings and ground to commercial use. Removal of containers and erection of new unit in their place. The Members did not object to this. Supplied to the Members 'For information Only' was the following: PDE/MAL/15/00415 High Upfold, 33 Latchingdon Road - single storey rear extension with flat roof and parapet walls which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 5.515m, height to the eaves would be 3m and the maximum height would be 3.91m (glass lantern)

Planning Decisions: Four decisions were advised to the Members:
COUPA/MAL/15/00130 Flambards Farm, Hackmans Lane – prior approval of proposed change of use of agricultural buildings to three dwelling houses (use Class 3) – Prior Approval was refused by MDC (the Parish Council had objected to this application). HOUSE/MAL/15/00044 South View, Station Road – extensions and alterations to existing dwelling – MDC approved this application (the Parish Council had not objected to these works). HOUSE/MAL/15/00069 34 The Fairways – proposed single storey rear addition – MDC approved these works (the Parish Council had not objected). PDE/MAL/15/00216 33 Latchingdon Road - Proposed single storey rear extension which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 5.515m, height to the eaves would be 3m and the maximum height would be 3.91m – MDC refused this application (the Parish Council had not been required to comment on this application).

Planning applications and decisions: if you would like to see full details of any planning applications, 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

Maldon District Council Local Development Plan: the Planning Inspector did not find the plan to be 'sound' in relation to section H6 'future provision for Travellers in the District' – the interim findings and covering letter from the Planning Inspector can be viewed on the MDC web site www.maldon.gov.uk

Parish Council Meetings: meetings are held at 8pm in The Les Barclay Room at the Village Hall. Scheduled for 2015: Wednesdays 3rd June, 24th June (to approve the accounts) and 1st July. There is no meeting scheduled for August, but extraordinary meeting(s) will be called if necessary for planning or other urgent matters. Provisionally scheduled: Wednesdays 2nd September, 7th October, 4th November and 2nd December. 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. E-Mail to mariadyer30@yahoo.co.uk or phone (Monday to Friday before 5 pm please) 01621 829566.