



Marks Tey Parish Council Newsletter

July 2017

Welcome to the summer edition of the Marks Tey Parish Council Newsletter. Revisions to waste collections, the Local Plan, the Garden Communities, improvement of the A12, duelling of the A120 and the never ending resurfacing of the A120 rumbles on all of which the Parish Council are interacting with. Decisions on the routes for A120 and A12 should be announced in autumn. You need to give your comments on the proposed Local Plan to CBC by the closure date of 11th August. The Parish Council will also be doing this. CBC have failed over the last 12 months to show community leadership over presenting the Local Plan so after 6 months of trying we have managed to get the Leader, Cllr Paul Smith, to do a Public Meeting at the Parish Hall which I hope some of you could attend. We are progressing the Marks Tey Neighbourhood Plan to try to present what you think is important about the village. This edition also includes pictures of your Parish Councillors. We now have a full Council of 11 Councillors. Please let them know what you think or tell us at Parish Council meetings every 2nd Monday of the month. Your Councillors all do it completely for free in their own time. If you can help, offer ideas, help on the Neighbourhood Plan, then your community will benefit.

Allan Walker, Chairman, Marks Tey Parish Council

Neighbourhood Plan - Update

The group consists of residents from Marks Tey Parish giving a cross section of opinions from across the whole area. Little Tey - North Lane – London Rd

We meet fortnightly and are working on your plan with the help of Consultants (funded by grants) ensuring we produce a recognised legal document taking into consideration all responses to the various questionnaires, as well as development numbers as suggested by Colchester Borough Council in their Local Plan, we are aiming to complete this by Jan / Feb 2018 for the period 2018 – 2033. Look out for more surveys – as shown on our Facebook page and website.



Council Meetings

Members of the Public are warmly welcomed to join all Council and Committee meetings which are generally held on the second Monday in each month at the Parish Hall starting at 6.30pm. See Noticeboard and website for all 2017 dates.

Mobile Library Services

Essex County Council mobile libraries carry a wide range of books and other items, but if you can't find a particular title you can reserve a copy. All mobile libraries are wheelchair-accessible

The mobile library visits St Andrews School from 13.20 -14.20, and Godmans Lane estate entrance (Leyfield) from 16.40 -17.15 on Thursdays fortnightly.

For more details or help please phone The Answers People on 0845 603 7628.

For regular updates on the work that the Parish Council is undertaking, please look at our website www.essexinfo.net/marksteyparish, contact a Councillor, or come to a meeting and ask us directly!

Rubbish Collections - New arrangements

Hopefully by now we have all have got to grips with the new rubbish collections but here is a reminder

Blue Week

- Black sacks collected every two weeks (limited to 3 bags)
- Green box with Glass and Cans

Green Week

- Clear bags (paper, plastics and textiles in separate bags) collected every two weeks.

Food bin will continue to be collected weekly

Parish Office Opening Times

Visitors are welcome to call at the Marks Tey Parish Office on Tuesdays and Thursdays to view documents and ask questions. **You can collect green boxes, food caddies, clear plastic recycling bags or gardening sacks, (gardening sacks are now free of charge but you will need a voucher from CBC) Tuesdays and Thursdays between 10am and 1 pm only please but it is always advisable to call first on 01206 213250 ensure that stock is available.** The new rubbish collections have caused us an enormous amount of extra work and added £210 to our wage costs.

Volunteers Meeting - an update

A lot of people quietly work voluntarily for our community, and on May 20th we held a Volunteer Forum to thank them for what they do, to look at what is already happening, and whether there are any needs in Marks Tey. 22 people came, with a further 8 who were unable to attend, and there was a very interesting and lively discussion. In Marks Tey we have some brilliant volunteers who are giving their time to run a lot of services and activities in the area.

The areas where they thought there may be gaps are for older people who may find mobility difficult, and things for younger people to do. There was also a discussion about the needs for community events

If you can give a little time and would like to volunteer in the community please let me know. There are various ways you can help - work with others to develop social opportunities for older people, or look at the needs of younger people in the village, deliver leaflets and information as a "street rep", or join us on the litter picks, or any other community event.

There will be a further Volunteer Forum in September - Kate Evans 01206 210767



Community Picnic



Every Wednesday through the school summer holidays there will be a Community Picnic at Marks Tey Parish Hall Playing Fields, from 12.00 - 3.00. Everybody very welcome - bring your picnic and come along for chat and play. The small hall will be open for toilets and hot and cold drinks. Unfortunately we will not be able to take responsibility for unaccompanied children.

Litter Pick

We have had great success with our prior litter picks and it's a fantastic get together while doing something that benefits the community, not to mention enjoying a bite to eat afterwards. Following up from a comment at the last litter pick, further warning and greater publicity was suggested, so here is a reminder for your diary. Further details to follow or please feel free to contact Su Su@teysolutions.co.uk / 07971 541611 if you would like to be added to our mailing list.



Local Plan 2018-2033



From the many 'No to West Tey' notices around the village and your responses to the Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire, it is fairly obvious that many of us are fearful of the impact of a Garden Community here but equally want rid of the traffic on the A120. The Parish Council is trying to tread a delicate line. Direct opposition to the Garden Community is being competently handled by CAUSE and many of you may well have signed up with them. The Parish Council has to seek to

look after and improve Marks Tey whatever the Local Plan outcome. Even if the Garden Community does not go ahead Marks Tey would be subject to new development just like all of the other Colchester villages and some development may be beneficial if it helps to sort out the A12 and A120 and remove the segregation of Marks Tey into 5 bits and improve facilities and Marks Tey itself. Improvement to Marks Tey is the criteria the Parish Council has set. It has told the Borough Council that there can be no development while the A120 is as it is; and has secured no development for Marks Tey pending clarification of the Garden Community. We have also said that any stage of development has to be provided in a way that is sustainable, adds to the quality of Marks Tey, and would be complete in itself if no further development (or Garden Community) happened. If this is not shown then the Parish Council will oppose it. This reflects our view that the Garden Community is by no means proved, or that CBC have the ability to deliver it. However, the planning of the Garden Community, the A12, and the A120 dualling are interlinked and need to be done together now. When and if they appear is a different matter and we continue to work on this.

Allan Walker, Chairman, Marks Tey Parish Council

Meet the Councillors

We on the Parish Council come from all different backgrounds, but we are all local and all invested in getting the best for Marks Tey Parish. We are unpaid and volunteer our time and expertise to help run parish assets and amenities (the hall, some street lights, bus shelters etc.), protect or represent community interests be that on the local plan, road improvements and planning permissions as well as activities like the litter pick and community picnic. We all meet once a month in a General Council Meeting but we also serve on separate committees as well that concentrate on specific areas, eg planning, transport, premises etc. All our meeting dates are posted on the website and

the local notice boards, and you can attend any public meeting and contribute. We also publish our meetings on our website if you ever want to see what has been discussed.

So who are we.....From Left to right

Malcolm Bailey, Maureen Callen, Gerald Wells, John Wood, Allan Walker, Kate Evans, Juliet English, Su Moakes-Cooke, Karen Barker, Albert Thomas and Allan Speller (as you can tell, John's image was borrowed from elsewhere!)



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Kate Evans	Vice Chair Chair Staffing	75 Keable Road, Marks Tey. CO6 1XR	Tel 210767
Su Moakes-Cooke		41 North Lane, Marks Tey. CO6 1EG	Tel 212059
Allan Speller		283 Old London Road, Marks Tey. CO6 1EX	Tel 213643
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John Wood		63 Godmans Lane. Marks Tey. CO6 1NQ	Tel 212100

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