

#### **Parish Councillors:**

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# Full Council Meeting Dates **2021/22**:

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May

Meetings are held in the Village Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend.





### PARISH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2022

Visit our website to keep to date with what is happening in your Parish:

www.tolleshuntdarcypc.org

## Message from the Chairman

Since the last edition, Ex Councillor Linda Young and Councillor Barry Dorman have passed away. Both were valued council members making significant contributions to the parish community and will be greatly missed. Our thoughts are with their families.

Sadly this has created a vacancy on the Parish Council, and Maldon District Council have confirmed we may fill this by co-option. Anybody interested in joining the Parish Council and meeting the eligibility criteria should contact the Parish Clerk by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022. A copy of the Co-option Policy is available to view on the Parish Council website at

<u>www.tolleshuntdarcypc.org/council-policies/</u> (a hard copy is also available from the Parish Clerk).

John Smith - Chairman



#### The Oueen's Jubilee 2022

The Parish Council proposes purchasing a rose tribute to be planted near the noticeboard. We have also donated bunting to the Darcy Way street party. If your street is holding a street party we would love to see your photographs. Please email them to the Parish Clerk.

#### **Waterworks on Factory Hill**

Following our contacting Anglian Water, we were pleased that the road closure only lasted 17 days, not the originally planned 6 weeks. They achieved this by working weekends and having two teams operating at either end of the pipeline. Unfortunately, the consequences were just as predicted, and some of the smaller side roads suffered considerable damage to potholes, verges, and ditches. The normal process of using the online facility to report each individual item of damage is clearly inappropriate, so we have asked written to Cllr Durham County Councillor to request that ECC Highways survey the 6 most-affected roads.

#### **Burial Ground**

We have arranged for the gates and noticeboard to be replaced

#### **Tudwick (Hamlet of)**

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel our plan to re-install the notice board. Regrettably, ECC Highways imposed conditions that made it unreasonable for us to proceed. We will seek a more suitable and financially acceptable alternative.

#### **Parking Problems**

The specific hazard mentioned in the last edition has partially improved. The situation will remain under review, but as residents will appreciate, the Parish Council' powers are very limited. Parking is likely to be an ongoing problem, and everybody is urged to consider the safety of pedestrians, particularly children when parking.

#### Speeding in the Village

As the roads in the village are "through routes", a 20 mph speed limit mentioned in the last edition

is not feasible. We are pleased that the extension of the 30 mph limit in Tollesbury Road has now been completed. We are very grateful to the Road Safety Working Group their considerable efforts over the last 3 years



in achieving this. We are currently looking at Vehicle Activated Signs to be installed on the main approaches to the village.

#### Precept

The budget for the next financial year has now been agreed upon, and we are pleased to have been able to maintain last year's precept, so our small part of the council tax will remain unchanged for the coming year.

#### **Litter Picking**

Dawn Pitt and her team of litter pickers continue to keep the Parish free from the unsightly litter, but we fear the recent storm will have created even more work for them. Our thanks in advance as we very much appreciate their terrific efforts.

#### **Recreation Ground**

The base of the youth shelter had been damaged and was a safety hazard, so we have had the area resurfaced to the same high standard as the table tennis base. As expected, this has caused some damage to the grass approach, and this will be rolled as soon as the conditions are suitable.



#### **Annual Parish Assembly**

**YOU** are invited to attend the Annual Parish Assembly to be held on **Friday 22**<sup>nd</sup> **April 2022** in the **Village Hall** at **7.30pm** Find out what is happening in YOUR Parish. What have your Parish Council being doing for **YOU**.

As a parishioner you are invited to submit items to be placed on the agenda of the Meeting. Agenda items should be submitted in writing to the Parish Council Clerk no later than **Thursday 14**<sup>th</sup> **April 2022**.

The Parish Annual Assembly is **YOUR** opportunity to raise any matters of concern about **YOUR** parish.

#### Maldon District Council Local Development Plan

The consultation on the Maldon District Council Local Development Plan is live. The deadline is 5pm on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

This is your chance to have your say. For more information, please visit <a href="www.maldon.gov.uk/issues-and-options">www.maldon.gov.uk/issues-and-options</a> or please call 01621 854477 to discuss other ways of making your voice heard.

Maldon District Council

# Local Development Plan









