

# Marks Tey Parish Council Newsletter

July 2018

Welcome to the Parish Council July Newsletter.

With the publicity over the Local Plan Inspector's Letter to Planning Authorities many of you may be hoping that the prospect of a Garden Community and more housing for Marks Tey will have gone away. I'm sorry to say that I think it has not - it has just got more complex.

We will continue to work with you to ensure your views on Marks Tey continue to be heard making the Neighbourhood Plan that we are involved in preparing, even more important.

We will find out Colchester BC's response and their plans at their Local Plan Committee scheduled for 13th August and like most other meetings involving Marks Tey, we will attend but we could still be looking at a significant allocation of housing without the high quality and infrastructure ideals set for the Garden Community. There are developers waiting in the wings ready to start building as soon as they get the green flag .

Many of you will have noticed the skip obstructing the Parish Hall vehicular access. This was rapid action following a Traveller incursion onto the site. We are currently looking at forming a removable height/hoop barrier system to replace the skip but I'm sorry to say that some obstruction may have to remain a feature of our entrance for some time to get people with large vehicles to ask for entry.

On the positive side, the Parish Hall is still busy with activities you can join, the Family Picnics, Young at Heart Group and Village litter picks. These events have space for people to come and join or help. Also we are about to re-launch the Village Summer Fete. We are even running some Wine Tasting Evenings for residents to enjoy and help fund the above.

Hope you can come and join us, as we welcome all village support offered.

Allan Walker - Chairman Marks Tey Parish Council



## [A120 ECC "favoured" route D](#)

Details of this can be found on their website here:

<http://a120essex.co.uk/>. Route D was announced as ECC favoured route in June 2018.

Government will now decide (probably in autumn 2019) whether this bid (which has good support including for the first time all of our MPs) is included in the Road Improvement Strategy 2 programme (RIS2 2020-25). If accepted for RIS2, ECC expect that the road will be completed and being used in 2026 – 8 years time.

The Parish Council is supporting this Favoured Route as any duelled and replaced A120 is better than none. Route D leaves Marks Tey with the biggest residual amount of traffic of all of the options. There will be fears that with the junction so far south on the A12 traffic will continue to 'cut the corner' by going through Marks Tey on the old road. We do however, need to continue to press for a 2 way 'Marks Tey bypass' from the end of the Coggeshall bypass to the existing A12 as part of any residential expansion as was 'offered' in CBC's recent Development proposals.

# A selection of things we are involved in - But not all !!

**Public Right Of Way ('PROW')**: Recognition is being sought for a well-used village footpath by collating a lot of historical evidence by local residents. We will soon be ready to make a Claim for PROW Grangers Lane off Long Green.

**Essex County Council Transport Meeting**: Offer for possible transport meeting to be held in parish hall Spring 2019. A chance to voice any local public transport queries.

**A120 and A12 improvements/ bypass**: Ongoing discussions with Highways England and ECC.

**Planning:-** There have been multiple planning applications reviewed/consulted -many including concerns raised with the shed "storage" company on Coggeshall road- CBC enforcement officer has assured us that the company is in breach of its planning permission and they will be addressing this accordingly. We will continue monitoring and assisting from our residents perspective.

**Community Events**: These are aimed at all ages. If you feel that you would like to help or organise an event please contact a councillor who will be pleased to discuss your ideas taking them forward for consideration:



**Young at Heart Group**: Please join us on a Wednesday afternoon: Once a month for tea entertainment ( games, talks, demonstrations) and importantly chatting to others  
Forthcoming dates :

- Aug 15<sup>th</sup>, Sept 19<sup>th</sup>, Oct 17<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm until 4pm Parish hall

**Wine tasting**: Alison Gore (<https://wineathome.co.uk>) has kindly agreed to present a wine tasting evening on the 10<sup>th</sup> August.

Tickets £10 per head are on sale now from Juliet English 01206211805 or via the

parish hall a great selection of wines are

**Summer Fete** - Lots of sponsorship has been achieved by approaching local and national companies. Look forward to seeing you on the day see article and flyer for full details **WE need lots of helpers on the day**

**Community Picnics**: We hope you will all join us at the Community picnics over the summer; these are free events to give space for children to play and give families the opportunity to socialise.

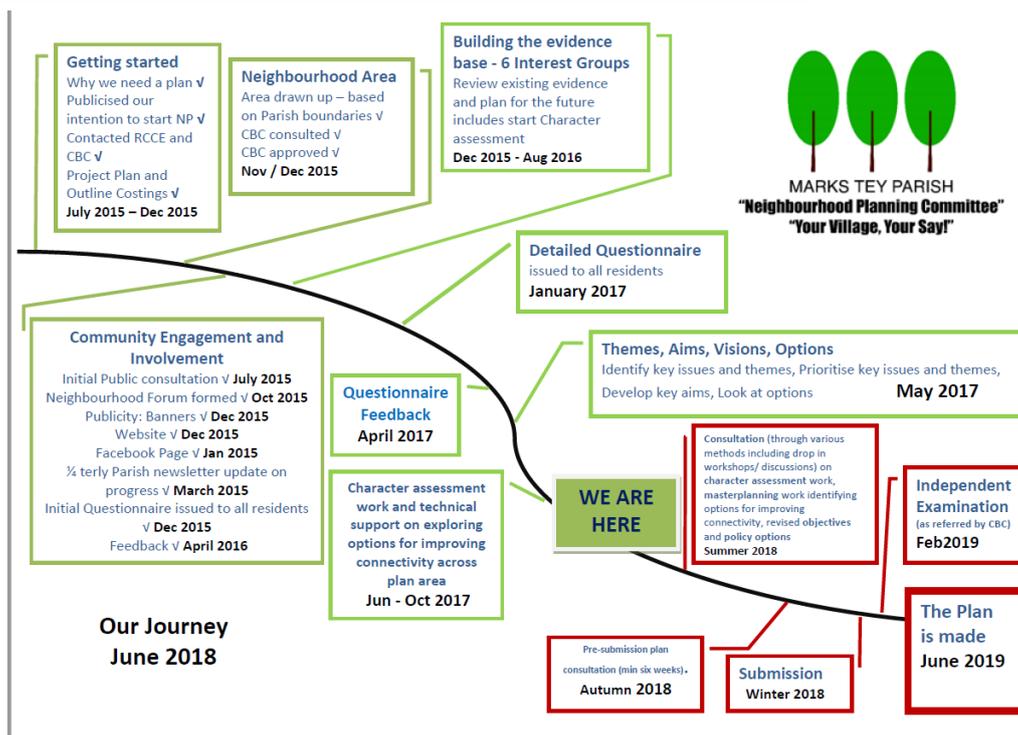
**Community Library working group update** As the mobile Library only stops in Marks Tey very briefly, it has been suggested that we consider setting up our own Community Library in the Parish Hall. We would combine this with the opportunity to get information about Colchester Borough Council services, get refuse collection sacks etc, and get drinks and snacks. More than 14 people have kindly said that they would like to get involved to make it happen.

We are currently undertaking a feasibility study – if you have any comments or want to help, let us know! [yvonne.norman@live.couk](mailto:yvonne.norman@live.couk), or

[k.evansmtpc@btinternet.com](mailto:k.evansmtpc@btinternet.com)



## Neighbourhood plan – see flyer for more details



## Summer Fete

When we ask what community events would people like to see in the parish a summer fete was THE most suggested and it's no wonder – those of you who grew up in a small village will no doubt remember the summer fete with fond memories. So this year the Parish Council and a group of volunteers are attempting to bring back the parish fete.

For most of us its our first time organising a fete but we hope it will be an event everyone can be involved in and enjoy. Budgets as always are tight and so our community working party have been hard at work raising funds and sponsorship. We have tried to get the right mix of commercial stalls and traditional fete entertainment so that it can be a great day for all ages and most of all we want it to be a day everyone in the Parish can enjoy and come to. We have been overwhelmed at the generosity of local business and there are some truly great prizes to be one as well as we hope a great deal of fun for everyone.

Posters and details will be in our Parish notice boards and at the hall. For those on line, we will update our Website and Facebook regularly as we can with attendees and what to look forward to but we really do want to hear what you would like to see at the fete and what you think makes a great day.

Come join us and make it a day to remember and in the mean time keep fingers crossed for sunshine!

## What we need/ How can you get involved?

Firstly spread the word and then come and have fun on the day most importantly, for those that would like to help build the event or be more hands on then we are always looking for Volunteers – to run a game stall, or to help on the day. We have lots of ways people can get involved!

If you want to hold a table sale and sell some of your own items again let us know we have a few spaces left these can be booked by emailing [Marksteyfete@gmail.com](mailto:Marksteyfete@gmail.com) or leaving your contact details with the parish office.

Perhaps if you perform in a band or have a talent that you would like to share/demonstrate then please talk to us about performing at the fete

Additionally there are lots of ways to help prepare or donate before the event we are asking for the following donations and will gladly come and collect any gifted items

- Any old crockery
- Soft Toys for Teddy Tombola
- Bottles or small prizes for Bottle Toss
- Cakes, biscuits etc. for our refreshment stall
- Any Donated prizes for our Tombola stall
- Small items like buttons, marbles, beads any tiny toys needed for a children's craft

And finally we need material to make bunting. So if you have any spare material that you can donate and/or volunteer to help sew would be a great support. For any of the above or if you want to make a suggestion you can call any of the councilors, contact us through Facebook, email [Marksteyfete@gmail.com](mailto:Marksteyfete@gmail.com). Alternatively, you can call the office 01206 213250 and leave your details and we will get in touch with you.

**FREE ENTRY**

MARKS TEY PARISH COUNCIL PRESENTS

**MARKS TEY VILLAGE FETE**

**18TH AUGUST 12 - 4PM**

At Parish Hall, Old London Rd,  
Marks Tey, Colchester CO6 1EJ

@Marksteyparishcouncil

- ★ RIDES AND BOUNCY CASTLE
- ★ SAND ART
- ★ TRADITIONAL GAMES - WELLY WANGING, HOOK A DUCK, CROCKERY SMASH AND MORE
- ★ CRAFTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS
- ★ TEA AND AMAZING CAKES
- ★ TABLE SALE, LOCAL CRAFTS & PRODUCE
- ★ PRIZE GAMES
- ★ FACE PAINTING & GLITTER TATTOOS
- ★ FOOD & DRINK
- ★ DANCE GROUPS & LIVE MUSIC

**and MORE to come!**

All proceeds go to fund Parish community activities and facilities.  
To hold a stall or demonstration email [Marksteyfete@gmail.com](mailto:Marksteyfete@gmail.com)

## Save the date

- Wine Tasting 10<sup>th</sup> August 7.30 - 10
- Community Picnic - Wednesdays (12 - 3)
  - July 25<sup>th</sup> August 1<sup>st</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> 24<sup>th</sup>
- Over 50's Young at Heart - Wednesday (2 – 4)
  - Aug 15<sup>th</sup>, Sept 19<sup>th</sup>, Oct 17<sup>th</sup>
- Summer Fete Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August 12- 4
- Litter pick – Saturday morning in October - date TBA



All at the Parish Hall

## Old Photos wanted

Andrew Waters, local historian, is compiling an assortment of old photos of local people and events to mark and commemorate 100 years since the end of World War 1. All will be exhibited at St Andrews Church Hall on the weekend of November 10/11. If you have anything that may be useful please contact Andrew on 07774 709989 or 01206 210247.

## Parking in Marks Tey- answers from North Essex Parking Partnership(NEPP)

A representative of NEPP attended the April 2018 Parish Council Meeting to discuss parking issues and provision in Marks Tey. We have recently received replies to the questions posed by residents: these can be found on the MTPC webpage <https://www.essexinfo.net/marksteyparish/parking/>



## Willshers Birthday - Money raised for St Helena Hospice.

Congratulations to Willshers, who celebrated their 25th year of trading in Marks Tey recently.

They shared their celebrations with the community with a magnificent barbeque and drinks, they also held a raffle which raised over £1300 for St Helena Hospice.

## 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, Please make an appointment so that we can have the necessary documents available.

**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) on Thursdays only between 10am and 1 pm please but it is always advisable to call first on 01206 213250 to ensure that stock is available.**

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