

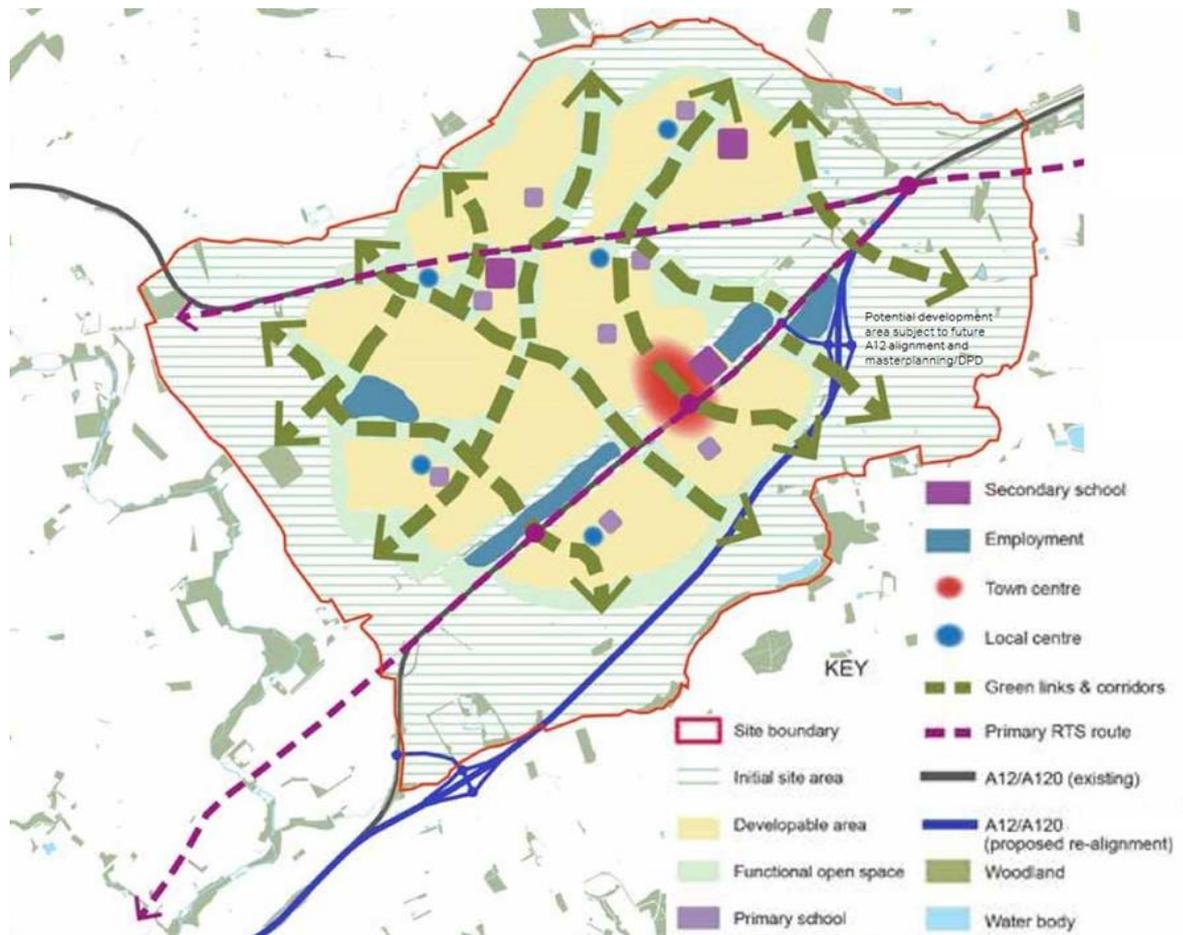
Marks Tey Parish Council Newsletter

September 2019

The Parish Council's plea to Residents

You can make a difference on the Local Plan Love it or Hate it - Please have your say

We have until **30th September** to respond to the latest public Consultation on the Local Plan. All of the responses go directly to the Planning Inspector who will then take a final decision on the legality and soundness of what could be with us for 50 years and currently looks like this:



See more at

https://braintree.objective.co.uk/portal/nea/s1tech/north_essex_garden_communities_infrastructure_planning_planning_and_delivery with a larger version of the map and more. The Parish Council has considered the additional evidence and has resolved a response. A report on this can be found on our website here:

<https://www.essexinfo.net/marksteyparish/assets/other/mtpc-addit-evidence-report> or phone the Parish Office and ask to be sent/or collect a copy) which may assist your response or produce a reactive alternative one. The Parish Council has no legal role nor power in the Local Plan. It is being undertaken by Colchester Borough Council.

You are as powerful in this as the Parish Council, please use that power. The Consultation is being undertaken by Colchester Borough Council and the other Planning Authorities and is complex and difficult and can be accessed here: <https://braintree.objective.co.uk/portal/nea/s1tech/>. For this reason, the Parish Council are responding on-line but also responding by e-mail to CBC officers and to our Borough Councillors asking that our view be put forward to the Inspector. We encourage you to do the same and say what you think about the process.

Allan Walker, Chair Marks Tey Parish Council

The Neighbourhood Plan – Your Village, Your Say

Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1668838273332158/>
website link – www.essexinfo.net/marksteyparish/neighbourhood-plan/



The steering group has finally passed its draft Neighbourhood Plan over to its two planning consultants. They are putting it into its final form before our formal consultation with parishioners, which will mark the next stage in its long journey.

Since the beginning we have obviously consulted with you as we go along. There have been a number of public consultations to gather evidence, which will be one of the key factors the public inspector will be considering when the Plan reaches its final stage. We received some very useful feedback following the last newsletter, through the questionnaire on the Parish Councils website and through talking to many parishioners at the Summer Fete. The four page summary of the draft plan and the questionnaire (which is still open for responses) are available on the website as above.

The elements in the Plan are being pulled together into one main document, with a number of appendices. Once it comes back to the steering group, there will be the first of the two formal consultations, and we are planning how this will take place. Putting dates to the remaining stages is risky of course, but it is likely ours will be during October / November, followed by CBC's early next year, after which the Plan goes to the public inspector for his decision.

Litter Pick 12th October 9:45am at the Parish Hall

Our next village litter pick is Saturday 12th October. To take part please arrive at the Parish Hall at 9:45am where you will be briefed and given your hi-vis and litter grabber before forming small groups to head off around the village. Then back to the Hall for a lunch snack.
Is there a problem area you would like tackled? Please let us know.



Our Young at Heart group continue to meet on the third Wednesday of every month. If you are over 50 why not join us for tea and cake and more importantly chat. We hold a raffle and a quiz with a quick game of bingo too if time allows. It's a great way to meet new people and get up to date with local news. The next meeting dates are 9th October, 13th November and 11th December. Come and join us, if you need a lift contact Mo on 01206 672612

Community Picnics

The Community Picnics have gone from strength to strength in the school holidays. The bouncy castle is a big hit and the crafts have captured their imagination, we iced cakes, had a tile craft session, made key rings, book marks and decorated rocks! Our final picnic of the year is on 30th October 12-3pm at the Parish Hall.

Community Defibrillator update

The Parish Council has been approached by British Telecom offering us the opportunity to purchase the two telephone kiosks in the parish of Marks Tey for £1 each. The phones are being removed by BT as over the last 12 months one has only been used 12 times and the other not at all.

Our chosen defibrillator company, The Community Heartbeat Trust ("CHT") have installed a number of defibrillators around the country in these disused kiosks (they are the only organisation that have been granted permission by BT) and it has been agreed by the Parish Council and our Community Partner, local business Penny Meadow to accept BT's offer.

We are now in the process of completing the necessary paperwork with BT and once the ownership has passed to the Parish Council, we will place our order with CHT.

The first one will be installed in the kiosk by the Post Office and we will continue with our fund-raising efforts to generate sufficient monies to purchase another Defibrillator for the second kiosk by Poplars on the A120.

Curry and Quiz Night Fundraiser

We are holding an event at Way to the Raj on Thursday 24th October at 7pm to raise funds for the second defibrillator for the village.

Tickets are available at £20 and numbers are limited.

For tickets and further information contact:

Mo - 07928 810404 or email maureencallenpc@gmail.com

Robert Robinson - 07484 314502 or email r.robinson555@btinternet.com



Marks Tey Summer Fete – A big thank you!

The Fete on August 10th took place despite forecasts of rain and gales. Unfortunately, it was not safe for most of our outside attractions to set up, but the British Spirit kicked in and we moved many stall holders inside and carried on regardless – if a bit crowded!!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to help, particularly the working group who planned it all, then had to quickly adapt to changing circumstances, and everyone who turned up in their hundreds to support us.

Thanks also to everyone who gave such generous prizes for the Raffle and Tombola, and sponsors RW West, and Hatfields, and also Marks Tey Radio who supported us by donating the use of their Public Address van. We are so lucky to have such brilliant support from our community.

We are still waiting for a final total, but expect to have made over £2000 for local projects, an amazing outcome.

Community Children's Christmas Party

Saturday 14th December - 2 till 5pm - Cost just £3 per family

Disco Party games Party food Visit from Father Christmas with a present for every child
Followed by Christmas carols around the tree with mulled wine and mince pies for the adults and hot chocolate and biscuits for the children



For tickets contact Mo on 07928 810404 maureencallenpc@gmail.com

Marks Tey Railway Station looks blooming lovely thanks to a partnership between the community and the railway.

Station adopters play an active role in keeping the beds and planters maintained and looking lovely for everyone.



Over the years the beds have been planted with lots of shrubs and perennials and seasonal interest added to the planters on the platforms.

At the moment there is a small group of volunteers weeding and caring for the plants but they could use an extra pair of hands or two.....it was decided this year to try and brighten up the second embankment which had become overgrown with brambles and docks and we hope to continue to improve this area also.

If you feel you can help with the bigger jobs like dividing perennials and cutting back shrubs, digging out weeds large and small or even just a bit of deadheading and watering they would be pleased to have you!

This work helps to enhance the station for the benefit of the community and regular coffee mornings give a chance to meet others on the line and share ideas.

If you would like to help please contact Mo on 07928 810404 or email maureencallenpc@gmail.com

Community Library

The Community Library family is growing each month with 80 people now signed up as members. A great big thank you to everyone who has baked for us, the cakes made each session are terrific!

The idea is also for people in the community to come together over a coffee/tea and cake and have a chat as well as taking out a book or two. There is also free juice for the children

The children's section is growing, especially after the Community Picnic when several of them came in afterwards, to see what was going on, bringing their parents/grandparents with them. Some didn't know about the library, despite as much advertising as we can do, but were delighted with what they found and quickly signed up. The children enjoyed their books and having a story told to them by Katie, our resident story-teller. We are also going to have a craft table for the children where they can make book marks to put in their books. As a reminder the library is free to join and you can take out up to 4 books which you can keep to the next corresponding session. You can also renew them twice more so keeping them for 3 months. This applies to the children's section too. We have a great selection of fiction - crime/mystery; suspense/adventure/thriller; historical fiction; autobiographies; modern/romance/drama -and many genres of non-fiction.

Come and join us on the 1st Saturday of the month, 10 - 12:30 and the 3rd Wednesday 2:30 - 5 and enjoy a book or two and a chat over a coffee/tea and cake. Future dates are.....5th October, 16th October, 2nd November, 20th November, 7th December and 18th December

We are run by volunteers who look after the library and refreshments on a rota basis whenever they can make it. If you would like to volunteer, or would like to know more about it, then please contact Yvonne on 07709064599.

Save the dates

- Community Library - 5th\16th Oct, 2nd\20th Nov, 7th\18th Dec
- Community Picnics – 30th October 12-3pm
- Young at Heart – 9th Oct\13th Nov\11th Dec, 2-4pm
- Litter Pick - 12th October 9:45am
- Curry Night 24th October 7pm
- Christmas Party 14th December 2pm



Marks Tey Parish Council is looking for new Councillors – Would you like to join?

If you have the desire to be of service to your local community and to help improve the lives of the people you share it with this role will suit you!

If you would like to be co-opted as a Councillor, please contact the Parish Clerk on 01206 213250 or by email: parish.clerk@marksteyparish.org.uk

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.



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

PLEASE BE AWARE YOU WILL REQUIRE A VOUCHER FOR ALL CONTAINERS, BAGS AND GARDEN SACKS. THIS CAN BE DOWNLOADED AT COLCHESTER.GOV.UK/RECYCLING OR CALL 01206 282700

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