



HEYBRIDGE BASIN

Parish Council

Welcome to the latest edition of the Heybridge Basin Parish Council Newsletter.

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The Council are pleased with the response that was received from contractors wishing to tender for the scheduled replacement of the entrance road into DMCP and hope to select a contractor and set a commencement date by December. The DMCP Working Group would like to thank the Clerk, Gemma Lake and Councillor Bryson for the many hours spent on this project.

From Monday 16th October, works to fell the 6 Leylandii on the access road of the car park will be undertaken as well as the main drainage duct being cleared of debris from the canal side to the drainage ditch allowing the areas round to drain correctly. Works are expected to take between 3-4 days.

The car park will remain open, with potential temporary road closures throughout the day if necessary. Letters are being sent to those with permits and those who need access to their properties with further information.

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH (URC)

The Parish Council has recently applied to Maldon District Council for the former chapel at the end of Basin Road to be classified as an 'Asset of Community Value'. What this means in practice is that, if successful, the chapel will have some additional protection from demolition and redevelopment.

The chapel's physical condition and appearance has deteriorated over several years and the Parish Council are now engaged in early discussions with chapel owners over its future. The application for 'Asset of Community Value' status could be the start of a long process of bringing back the chapel into some productive community use.

We hope to hear from Maldon DC very shortly on whether our application has been successful.



VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT (VDS)

Following the Summer Parish Council Newsletter, a Working Group has now been formed to consider whether the VDS, first published in 2006, requires updating. The Working Group consists of village residents, Parish Councillors, and members of the Conservation Society. Please contact the Clerk if you would like to be involved with the Working Group.

THE BOAT YARD, LOCK HILL PLANNING APPLICATION

The agent for the developer attended the 19th of September Parish Council meeting and gave a short presentation on the latest application to develop 4 live/work houses on the site. As the external size and design of the proposal is identical to the last application, which was refused, the PC decided to advise MDC to refuse permission on the same grounds as before. The PC would encourage residents who wish to comment on the application to do so on the MDC website before the cutoff date of 10th October. The reference number is 23/00865/FUL.

DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

Row 4 a reason which Dave Brock and Chris Oatham organise, have kindly paid for defibrillator training sessions for the village in the community Hall, as a refresher for those who have previously been trained and for anyone that wanted to be trained. Residents were asked to contact the Parish Council Clerk if they were interested.

There was a good response, and 4 training sessions were arranged. To date, there have been 3 sessions with 22 people attending.

Lee Jiggins, first aid instructor and assessor ran the sessions, giving good clear instructions and answered questions as they arose. Sessions included interactive scenarios allowing people to get hands on with the defibrillators.

The defibrillators are serviced and maintained by Dave Brock, Annette Bryson, Rob Bryson, and Tim Harris. The training mannequin and training defibrillator are at Dave Brock's house if anyone would like to borrow them for further practice.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

On Saturday 11th November at 11:00am, the Parish Council will be hosting an Act of Remembrance at the village sign. Please join us on this day to remember those who fought and lost their lives during the 2 World Wars and honour their memories, including 10 village residents.



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Lest We Forget

BASIN BOOK EXCHANGE

The village book exchange located inside the bus shelter continues to be well used, which is great to see. The shelves are starting to overflow a little, so the Parish Council will shortly be undertaking a tidy up to remove some slow-moving books and magazines.