

NORTON NEWS



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EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Norton Parish Council held an extraordinary meeting on Monday to discuss their response to an outline planning application to build up to 35 houses on land at Cold Elm adjacent to the school, with vehicular access onto the A38. The Council voted unanimously to object to the application (which is outside the village's settlement boundary and so effectively in open countryside) and to employ a specialist planning consultant to prepare their response to Tewkesbury Borough Council.

The meeting was attended by nearly 40 concerned residents. Many spoke out eloquently against more housing development in the parish and expressed concern that the Borough Council's failure to provide a five-year housing supply would harm the Parish Council's case.

The Council's Chairman urged residents to support the Parish Council by objecting individually to the proposals. Anyone wishing to object should go to Tewkesbury Borough Council's website: https://tewkesbury.gov.uk select the "Planning" option on the "Home" page, then select "Commenting on planning applications" and follow the instructions in the "Making comments online" box.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 10/01/2023

The next meeting of Norton Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 10th January 2024 in the Village Hall's Committee Room at 7.30pm. All interested parishioners are invited to attend.

CLIMATE CHANGE GUIDE: COMPLIMENTARY COPY

The Parish Council has published its Climate Change Guide containing simple ways households can reduce their carbon footprint and save money. Your copy accompanies this edition of Norton News.

PARISH COUNCIL'S BIODIVERSITY PLAN

At its meeting at the beginning of November, the Parish Council agreed to produce a Biodiversity Plan in order to comply with the requirements of the Environment Act 2021. The plan will contain the Council's policies and objectives to conserve and enhance biodiversity in the parish, and will be submitted to the Council's January meeting for approval.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: NORTON VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK CLOSURE

Residents are reminded that the Village Hall car park will be closed from Monday 4th to Friday 8th December for resurfacing and the construction of a new entrance from/to Old Tewkesbury Road. Anyone who normally uses the car park should make other arrangements during this period.

All vehicles must be removed from the car park by Sunday 3rd December when the site will be fenced off for the duration of the works.

Temporary arrangements have been made for parents to park at the New Dawn Inn when dropping off or collecting children from the school to avoid congestion in the vicinity of the school. The village thanks the landlord of the New Dawn for helping out.

NORTON CHURCH NEWS

There will be a Christmas Coffee morning on 13th December at the Village Hall from 10-11.30 am. ALL WELCOME!

Norton church is open daily from 10.00am to 4.00pm for private prayer. For services in the Benefice, please go to:

seventowers.org.uk



COLD WEATHER REMINDER

The village has a supply of grit for when the weather turns icy. Please contact nortoncouncil@gmail.com to find out where you can collect it from.

USEFUL LINKS & CONTACTS

HTTP://NORTONPARISH.COM
HTTP://SEVENTOWERS.ORG.UK/
NORTONCOUNCIL@GMAIL.COM
NORTON HISTORY
NHS 111 ONLINE
POLICE NON-EMERGENCY: 101
NORTON VILLAGE HALL

There is a regular collection of donations for the Gloucester Food Bank at St Marys in Priors Norton. Please drop any food or toiletry items every other Wednesday morning.

PLANNED WAINLODE LANE CLOSURE

The road above will be closed on 15/01/24 (08.00 – 17.00)
This road closure is required by Severn Trent Water to carry out a pipe renewal in this location. Emergency and Pedestrian access will be maintained.
If you require any further information regarding this closure, please contact Gloucestershire Highways on 08000 514 514.



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Did you know there is a Norton branch of Neighbourhood Watch?

With over 100 villagers in the group, it's a great way to keep in contact. Please email to join: christine1williams@btinternet.com

