NORTON NEWS

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Permission granted to build 35 houses at Cold Elm

Despite objections from the Parish Council and over 30 local residents, citing its effect on the character of the village and the dangers of another vehicular access onto the A38, Tewkesbury Borough Council has granted outline planning permission to build up to 35 houses on land at Cold Elm.

In making its decision, the Planning Committee said that the Borough Council needed to approve the application because it couldn't demononstrate a five-year housing land supply. The Committee acknowledged that the houses are not in a location where the principle of development would normally be accepted (as the site is outside the village's settlement boundary) but in all other respects the proposals met the Council's planning policies. They concluded that the benefits of the scheme, including "access to a range of services and sustainable transport options", outweighed the limited harm that the houses might cause.

However, while the Borough Council have accepted the principle of housing development on this site, a detailed application for matters like the site layout, housing types and materials, and arrangement for dealing with foul water and surface water drainage, will still need to be submitted - and approved - before any houses can be built.

Next Parish Council meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 18 September 2024 at 7.30pm in the village hall's Committee Room

Update on other planning applications

(a) Planning applications to build 42 houses on land near Lock's Paddock off the A38 and 46 houses at Lime Close are still under consideration by the Borough Council's planning department. These applications, particularly the one for Lime Close phase 2, are unlikely to be considered by the Planning Committee before October at the earliest.

(b) As reported last month, representatives from Black Box Planning and Wain Homes attended the Parish Council meeting in July to answer questions about their proposal to build 45 houses (with 40% being affordable homes) on land at Brookelands off the A38. The Parish Council understands that a planning application for this proposed development has been submitted to Tewkesbury's planning department for validation. ("Validation" is the name given to checking an application for completeness and clarity before it is assessed by the planning department.)

Once validation is completed, the application will be published so that residents and the Parish Council can formally comment on the proposals. Hopefully, this will happen in time for the application to be discussed at the Parish Council's September meeting

More Village Hall improvements

Residents will have noticed that the front of the village hall has recently been landscaped. As well as a slip resistant all-weather path and cotswold stone gravel, the works included three sleeper beds, which will be planted with seasonal flowers and maintained by children from the primary school, and three picnic tables. The Hall Committee is hoping for an indian summer!

However, the big news is that the main Hall and Committee Room are being completely redecorated. The work on the main hall will be completed before the end of the school's summer holidays. Once the Committee Room has been painted, a new "Karndean" floor will be laid to replace the stained and worn carpet.

Cobalt Christmas & Greetings Cards Sale

10.30 am - 6.00 pm

Thursday 17th October

at

The Dovecote

Sandhurst Lane

Sandhurst GL2 9NR

(past church and follow signs)

Complimentary coffee and cake

Please come and bring your friends





Coffee Morning at Norton Church

There will be a coffee morning at Norton Church on Wednesday 11th September, from 10:30am - Noon.

Useful Links and Contacts

https://nortonparish.com
https://seventowers.org.uk
nortoncouncil@gmail.com
Norton History
NHS 111
Police Non-Emergency number : 101
Norton Village Hall Website

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

There is a Regular Collection of donations for the Gloucester Food Bank at St Mary's in Priors Norton. Please drop any food or toiletry items every other Wednesday morning.