

very important that roads and driveways are not obstructed at any time.
IF YOU DO NOT HOLD A BLUE BADGE PLEASE DO NOT PARK OR WAIT IN
YOUR VEHICLE IN THE DISABLED BAYS AT ANY TIME



Village Litter Picks and PALS (People Against Litter)

Parish Council litter picks begin in Spring on Sunday April 29th 2018 at 10:00 a.m. meeting at the village hall. PALS aim to litter pick specific roads in the village on a monthly basis. Details from Liz Appleby on 01206 734 493 or elizabeth.appleby@hotmail.co.uk.

Dog Fouling

Dogs should be kept on a lead on the Playing Field at all times, including after dark. If your dog fouls please pick up after it. Dog waste bins are sited at either end of New Cut, on the High Road on Malting Green and near the Church. CBC Community Zone Wardens are empowered to issue fines to anyone who does not clear up after their dogs.

Parish Gazette

This monthly magazine is produced by the Church for residents of Layer Parish. As well as Church news, it is a great source of local information. For a free quote to advertise your business. Priced at 80p, the magazine is on sale regularly - all are very welcome. shop, The Fox and The Donkey; alternatively, it can be delivered to your home for an annual charge of £8 - contact Martin Piper on 01206 734 369 for details.

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THE PARISH COUNCIL

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KEEPING IN TOUCH

Layer Parish Council will hold the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 29th April 2018 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Thank you to the members of the

Parish Council who have agreed to sponsor the

Recreation Field and

the Parish Council is manager of the Recreation Field and Malting Green, the Cross and War Memorial, the Multisport Courts, Church Road, the Village Hall Car Park, Heatherfields and Millfields.

Perhaps just as important is our role in championing some of

otherwise get little or no attention such as speeding, affordable planning matters.

Parish Council meetings are held on the second Monday of

Committee Room at the Village Hall at 8 p.m. The schedule is published on the Parish Council Notice Board and on the Parish Council website.

There is time set aside in each meeting for residents to raise any concerns or matters of interest.

All six Parish Council allotments on Church Road are up and running as usual. If you are interested in putting your name on the waiting list for any future availability, please let the Parish Clerk know (01206 240 772).

Sports

In addition to the play area and basketball court on the playing field off Gardenage has excellent tennis courts on Church Road, available for hire at a cost of £4.00 per court for adults & mixed groups or £3.00 for children. To book the tennis courts, please contact Ian & Marilyn Moore on 01206 734 267.

Heatherfields

Heatherfields is rented by the Parish Council for the enjoyment of village residents. The paths through the woods must not be used by horses or motor vehicles. Your co-operation in respecting these rules ensures that the woods remain a safe and pleasant environment for all our residents. Bonfires must not be lit in the woods and timber should not be cut or removed.

AROUND THE VILLAGE

Village Hall

The QE Hall has two halls which are very popular venues for social events. The village hall has its own website where you can make bookings: <http://www.layervillagehall.org/> or contact Marilyn Moore on 01206 734 267.

Layer de la Haye Primary School

It has been another very busy year at our school, which remains as popular as ever. The school website is <http://www.layer-de-la-haye.essex.sch.uk/>

St John the Baptist Church

The Reverend Lydia Smith has now completed her first year at St John the Baptist Church. For information on Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals, please contact the Reverend on 01206 738 759

Policing and Community Zone Wardens

The contact phone number for reporting non-urgent matters to the Police is 101. Our Zone Warden is Tim Pickard (tim.pickard@colchester.gov.uk)

Refuse Freighters

There will be attended refuse freighters in the Village Hall Carport for the collection of garden rubbish and bulky domestic rubbish between 9.30am and 11.30am on 1st July (on waiting confirmation of dates). Fridges, freezers, and hazardous waste will not be accepted.

TRANSPORT AND ROADS

Buses

The village benefits from a regular bus service into Colchester provided by ECC and rely on passenger numbers & overall support. Please consider using the bus for your trips into town. Information on times/stops/fares etc. can be obtained from Hedingham or the Traveline website.

Potholes & Other Highway Problems

Can be reported direct to Essex County Council via their website on 01245 430430.

VILLAGE INFORMATION

Events and Notices

The Parish Council website has information about the village and Parish Council meetings. There is also an Events Diary. If an event included, please notify the Parish Clerk.

Parish Council

Jo Jones runs the 'Parish Network', which keeps residents up to date and information by e mail. This is a completely free service. If you would like to join please contact Jo on 01026 734 258 or jo.jones@colchester.gov.uk. Another good source of village information is the Secret Layer website.

Community Speed Watch Team (CSW)

Members of the CSW have a group of 20 volunteers who mount speed cameras in the village. If speeding vehicles are reported to Essex Police