

District Councillor Monthly Report

Lawford, Manningtree & Mistley September 2021

<u>Coronavirus</u>

Infection rates have fluctuated, but continue to increase across Essex and Tendring. Please see the below table for the latest (at time of writing) infection rates per 100,000 population - weeks ending:

District	01.07.21	19.08.21
Tendring	95.5	204.6
Colchester	195.7	249.6
Essex	158.3	234.5

As of the 26th August: Residents of Essex who received the first vaccine dose = 1,076,730 Residents of Essex who received the second vaccine dose = 951,857

The age group most recently added, 16 and 17-year-olds has seen a significant increase in first dose over the last week, with uptake now at almost 32%, 7 days ago the uptake was just 15%. Those aged 30-39 getting first doses has continued to stall with less than a 1% increase over the last 7 days. The 18-29 age group has maintained its 1% increase that has been common for the past month but remains less than 70% total vaccinated.

Social Care - 90% of care home workers have been vaccinated with the first dose. The overall rate has increased significantly since the end of June. There are now just a couple of weeks until care home staff are required to have had their first dose, to meet new regulations. There are still, however, about 1,500 care home workers across Essex who are not vaccinated, and who would be unable to work in a care home setting once the new law comes into effect on 11 November.

Tendring has a disproportionately high number of care homes. If you know someone who works in Social Care, please encourage him or her to be vaccinated.

Essex Health is continuing to identify new ways to encourage age groups 18-29 and 30-39 to be vaccinated. They continue to work with their NHS partners on the best way to engage these groups and increase the uptake.

All 12–15-year-olds who are clinical extremely vulnerable will begin receiving invitations to be vaccinated in the first week of September.

Local Planning Appeals and Applications

Land South of Long Road, Mistley – <u>Appea</u>l against refusal – Construction of Medical Centre & Car Parking. Appellant – Tendring Farms Ltd.

Carlo and I have submitted a report to the Appeal Planning Inspector – A copy of that submission has been provided to local Parish Councils.

Trinity Road, Mistley – Appeal against refusal - Erection of up to 65 Dwellings.

Appellant - Mr R Brooks and Family Carlo and I have worked with a local opposition group and divided the specific areas of concern to be tackled. A copy of our report, which was submitted to the Planning Inspector has been provided to local Parish Councils.

Anchor Inn Mistley – <u>Appeal</u> against refusal – Change of use to Residential. Appellant – Mr Tom Newman Ankerinn Ltd. Carlo and L have submitted a report to the Planning Inspector – A copy of that subm

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(1) *Land South of Harwich Road, Lawford* – (20/01608/FUL) Erection of a Flexible Electricity Generation Facility with associated ancillary infrastructure, access and boundary treatment. This application has been refused by Planning Officers under Delegated Powers. We anticipate that an appeal will be forthcoming!

(2) *Mistley Place Park* – (21/00453/FUL) McCarthy & Stone - Planning Application to construct 42 apartments and 11 bungalows to provide "Retirement Living".

McCarthy & Stone has stated that are almost in a position to provide amendments to their submitted proposals, which they anticipate may assuage most of the Parish Council and Public concerns.

(3) **Tops'I House, High Street, Mistley** – (21/00040/FUL & 21/00046/FUL) Two applications for change of use. The first floor to a dwelling and the ground floor to a restaurant. I have "Called-in" this application and it is still awaiting the Planning Committee Agenda Date, if not refused under delegated authority.

In the last few days I have been contacted by the TDC Planning Officer dealing with this application. She informed me that some of the works do not require planning permission due to recent changes to legislation. The Planning Officer has provided a summary of the changes below:

21/00040/FUL – E (g) (i) office to E(b) sale of food and consumption mostly on premises

Due to the recent changes to the use class order, you are able to change the use of a building within the same use class without the need for planning permission. In this instance, the change of use from an office to the sale of food <u>does not</u> require planning permission as both uses fall within use class *E* and this can be undertaken.

Therefore, the only elements to consider and require planning permission are the external changes. These include; the change from a window to a door to the front elevation and a window to a door to the quay elevation. This application has therefore been amended to reflect these external changes only.

21/00046/FUL - E (g) (i) office to C3 residential

The Use Classes Order allows the change of use from offices to residential without the need for planning permission. However, you do need to submit an application for a 'prior approval'. Due to

recent changes to legislation, the change of use for this scenario could be assessed under what is known as Class O of the General Permitted Development Order, however this terminated on 31st July 2021. The government have introduced a new use class called Class MA which has taken effect from 1st August 2021.

Therefore, the only elements to consider and require planning permission are the external changes. These include; the external staircase and screen, balcony, window to door to the first floor and a window to a door to the north western elevation. This application has been amended to reflect the external changes only.

I am emailing to see whether you would still like to have the applications called into committee or whether you would like them assessed under delegated powers given that they are external changes only?

I have submitted another 'Call-in' Notice. The full Planning Committee will still hear the amended application.

(4) *Land South of Long Road / West of Clacton Road, Mistley* – (21/00197/DETAIL)The Reserved Matters application for 485 dwellings, two hectares of Employment Land, Public Open Space and Infrastructure. I have 'called-in' this application and it is awaiting the Planning Committee Agenda date.

The architect and Planning Consultant for City & Country have updated us on their proposals for the housing and commercial area and we have seen their amended layout. There are still some elements which give us concern. Therefore the 'call-in' remains.

Kind Regards Alan Coley – District Councillor

District Report on Behalf of: Alan Coley, Carlo Guglielmi & Val Guglielmi

1st September 2021

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