

GREAT MAPLESTEAD PARISH COUNCIL ACTION PLAN

Great Maplestead Parish Council constantly strives to work on behalf of parishioners on the issues that matter to the village. We are always keen to receive ideas and suggestions from parishioners on particular areas of interest or concern and where it is felt the Council may assist.

Listed below is our current schedule of activity; this is regularly reviewed and updated as projects finish and priorities change.

Actions 2025/26 Council Year

- Transition to .gov.uk website and e-mail in line with recommended legal requirements
- Village Community Playing Field Development Project:
 - Repairs to Coronation Pathway
 - Maintenance of Mindfulness Garden
- Maintain notice-boards in Lucking Street and Dynes Hall Rd
- Footpath maintenance programme:
 - Carry out on-going monitoring, maintenance and repairs
- Ensure community engagement/awareness of planning applications to capture relevant community opinion
- Improvements to drainage on Purls Hill and Dynes Hall Road

On-Going Actions

- Ensure annual maintenance of hedge to rear of Village Playing Field (border with land at Chiffneys)
- Carry out regular litter picking and verge maintenance via:
 - Village Task Force/Zone Volunteers
 - BDC-mandated group litter picks
- Respond to ROSPA playground recommendations (as applicable)
- Provide representation at County & District meetings (where appropriate)
- Liaise with local police, as necessary with the Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator
- Liaise on Highways management (signage/potholes/drainage) with ECC Highways Department
- Consider and respond to consultations on current and future issues that specifically affect the parish
- Respond to **all** planning consultations



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- Annual Parish Assembly:
 - Invite all active village organisations and groups
 - Provide an administrative service & refreshments
- Keep content of all village message boards up to date/ensure regular removal of outdated/irrelevant material
- Update and circulate information on Council and other relevant activity regularly via the Maplestead Magna Carta newsletter, the Council/village website, Facebook and other local social media platforms, as applicable.
- Control and manage Parish public finances
- Review, and ensure attendance on, appropriate Clerk and Councillor training programmes
- Continue actions to combat local fly-tipping
- Ensure regular cutting and maintenance of village triangles
- Continue to work with the school and village hall to address any parking issues
- Ensure regular cleaning and maintenance of village highway signs
- Keep a watching brief on, and respond appropriately to, local telecoms mobile phone mast applications/developments
- Maintain village defibrillator and ensure regular monitoring of The Circuit database

Future Actions/Ambitions

- Re-visit and submit Road Safety/Speed Limit review
- Work towards achieving NALC Quality status (subject to Clerk undertaking CiLCA qualification)