



Moulsoe Mail Winter 2017

As the countryside view changes with the seasons it seems the village community joined in over the summer. We said farewell to several families who have moved on to pastures new, and welcomed those new residents who have chosen Moulsoe as their home.

Plan:MK Consultation

The latest version of Plan:MK has been released for a consultation period ending **Wednesday 20 December 2017**.

In July 2017 the government announced the £2.3bn Housing Infrastructure Fund to be awarded to local authorities on a competitive bid basis. Awards are to be used to build new infrastructure to support housing developments in areas of greatest **demand**. MK Council have decided to bid for funding to support the development of 5000 new homes east of the M1 on land bordering the A509 towards Newport Pagnell and extending east towards Moulsoe. This rescinds the designation of this area as a Strategic Reserve Area for use after 2031 in the last version of Plan:MK which we were asked to comment on in June 17.

Any development of this area is conditional upon MK Council winning their bid. Regardless of that it is absolutely **imperative** that all residents of Moulsoe and the residents of MK Borough comment on the current October 2017 version of Plan:MK and objects, in no uncertain terms, to any development East of the M1 .

The cynics amongst us might say that we may have been misled by the contents of the last version of the draft!

The details of Plan:MK relevant to Moulsoe start on page 50. The draft can be viewed or downloaded from MK Council's planning portal <http://miltonkeynes.objective.co.uk/portal/>

The Parish Council, with support from our Ward councillors, will be formally objecting and opposing the inclusion of this area in Plan:MK . The Parish Council will, as in the past, make their response available to residents to view. Residents will then be able to amend and/or add their own submissions that we hope will help support the Parish Council to defend Moulsoe against unsustainable and short-sighted housing developments.

Diary Dates

- **Sunday 26 November at 11 am** Christingle Service at St Marys Church
 - **Sunday 17 December at 6 pm** Carols By Candlelight at St Marys Church
 - **Monday 25 December at 11 am** Holy Communion at St Marys Church
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- **Tuesday 16 January at 8pm** Parish Council Meeting, at Moulsoe Millennium Hall
 - **Sunday 28 January at 6 pm** Lantern Service at St Marys Church

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News from St Mary's Church



We will be marking the build-up to Christmas in Moulsoe with our **Christingle** service on **Sunday 26 November at 11 a.m.** Come along and join in the fun as we talk about the true meaning of Christmas with the help of oranges, dolly mixtures, candles and ribbon.



This year's "**Carols by Candlelight**" service at St Mary's will be on **Sunday 17 December at 6 p.m.** and, weather permitting, will end with the singing of carols around the brazier outside the church and the drinking of mulled wine inside. Please join us for this traditional and magical occasion.

The first service in the new year will be on **Sunday 28 January at 6 p.m.**, when we hope to banish the winter blues by **gathering around the lanterns that everyone is invited to bring along.**

We hope to see you soon!

A very Happy Christmas to all Moulsoe residents from everyone at St Mary's.

Moulsoe Fields

Winter is almost upon us, and crops of oilseed rape, barley, wheat and beans have all been planted. The conditions have been kind and they are growing well after a difficult harvest. The grass has nearly stopped growing. It is very dry for the time of year so the cattle can stay out a little



longer as long as they are fed some hay and silage. The cattle will be bought in soon for winter so they don't make a muddy mess of the fields and spoil them for next year. Sheep tread more lightly so will only come in at lambing time.

Winter gives the farmers a chance to concentrate on maintenance jobs. So keeping buildings and machinery in good order; and also all the ensuring all hedges and ditches around the fields are tidy and clear. Winter also gives them the chance for the occasional day out shooting.

Crime Prevention Advice

With the winter nights already here, is your home secure?
Here's a bright idea - Leave a light on.

- Close and lock all your doors and windows when going out or to bed
- Keep valuables out of sight
- Don't advertise that you're out, invest in a light timer switch
- Register your valuables with www.immobilise.com
- For Crime updates sign up to www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk

From your rural PCSO C1018 Arlene ORMSTON

Get Sorted Campaign

Do you know what rubbish should go in your pink recycling sack? Every week a large amount of potential recycling is incorrectly placed in another bin, box or bag. Milton Keynes Waste and Recycling Department are launching a campaign to increase our awareness of all the household rubbish that can be recycled.

The scheme will run from **1 January – 31 December 2018**

Every Parish will have their pink sacks weighed and the parish with the greatest increase of correct recycling over the year will receive a cash prize.

A useful guide has been delivered with your Moulsoe Mail, to remind us all what needs to go where.

Cranfield Air Park

The Parish Council have recently be notified of this major planned expansion at Cranfield Airport There will be a Public Exhibition showing the proposals for the site on **22 & 23 November 3pm – 7pm** at the AIRC Building, Cranfield Campus.

The development will include 5 new aircraft hangars, new terminal building, offices and a 300 bed hotel.

It is likely to have an impact on the volume of traffic through the village; during construction and once completed and operational. The Parish Council will be closely monitoring the application.

Play Area

Our bid for funding was successful and the new equipment and layout has been decided. The contractors have been appointed and we are awaiting confirmation of a start date. There will be some disruption to the use of the play area, but will keep you updated via Facebook.

Christmas Waste Collections

Tuesday 26 December moves to

Thursday 28 December

Tuesday 2 January moves to

Thursday 4 January

Tuesday 9 January moves to

Wednesday 10 January

Normal collections resume

Monday 15 January