

# Parish Council

The LMPC Council, which is elected every 4 years, comprises of 7 members and is a proactive body that strives to:

Uphold and protect our Village and the surrounding Hamlets by working in partnership with East Hertfordshire District and County Council.

Working to improve the safety of the roads around the village.

Monitoring planning proposals and working closely with the community to ensure the best outcome possible for all parties involved & offering support.

Introducing new initiatives around the village to benefit all the residents in the local area.

Work with necessary professional bodies to protect heritage sites.

The Parish Council does receive annual funding from East Hertfordshire District Council (i.e. the Precept) and other small sources of income; it is not enough for us to achieve all of the things we would like complete. Therefore, we will always apply for grants from local authorities and other suitable organisations whenever possible. This means we can take on major improvement-programmes, etc without having to use public money (the Precept) whenever possible.

The Parish Council will meet once a month with the exception of August and December at the Village Hall in Dane End. The agendas are posted within the village on the Saturday prior to the date of the meeting on the notice board by Dane End Stores and on the website [www.mundens.net/parishcouncil](http://www.mundens.net/parishcouncil). When parishioners attend the meetings it gives them, a chance to understand what is happening in the local area that may affect their day-to-day lives or not. It also gives them the opportunity to address and/or comment on a particular issue.

Each Parish Councillor is assigned an area to specialise in and build the necessary network of contacts i.e. Highways, Planning, Environment and each councillor then takes on actions and works with their contacts to collect data or resolve issues in a timely manner. The Councillors will then address all the Parish Councillors at the monthly meeting, where if necessary further discussions and/or decisions can be made.

Representatives of other bodies (e.g. the Police, local government officers our District Councillor, County Councillor, MP etc) are often invited to our meetings to discuss issues that need special attention.

The Parish Council is the link between village residents, organisations and provides a good communication link to give direct help and support as appropriate.