



### New ‘safety net’ for Eels

A project to upgrade the water abstraction equipment at the Langford Mill intake is being undertaken by Essex and Suffolk Water in compliance with *The Eels (England and Wales) Regulations 2009*. Under these regulations screening has to be provided that will prevent harm occurring to eels by them being drawn into the intake pumping system. The current screens are wide-spaced metal bars which are only designed to keep out larger river debris, so these need to be replaced by a new system with a much finer mesh.

After reviewing a variety of options, Essex & Suffolk Water has chosen to use an ‘Eco Screen’ which not only provides the appropriate eel protections, but is also much smaller than the equivalent alternatives and therefore will be the least intrusive option for this location. The outline plans to achieve this are the installation of the new debris screen in the river (a crane will be used to lift in the larger materials); installation of associated control equipment inside the Mill building (this will fit alongside the existing pumping equipment already contained in the Mill) and minor improvements to the existing access off the B1019 between the Village Hall and the west side of the Mill. Surveys have been carried out to support the design process since January 2021 and the main construction work is expected to begin no earlier than June 2021.

This is excellent news, because in the past Langford had been noted for the banks of the river being ‘black with elvers’, and although we don’t expect this new venture to

bring that state of affairs back into being, it will be very good to protect our local eels and have them thriving in our waters once again.

Eels are born in the Sargasso Sea, within the Atlantic Ocean. After about three years swimming the Gulf Stream, they reach the UK and Europe as tiny transparent elvers known as ‘glass eels’. Here they gradually mature, becoming a darker green/brown in colour with a silvery underside. They inhabit most waterbodies and may even crawl over flooded land to access pools unconnected by streams or ditches.

They can live to be 100 years old, although sadly, at the moment they are listed as Critically Endangered on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List of Threatened Species, so anything we can do to help them survive is very welcome indeed.

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## Editor's Note



Welcome to issue 30 of our newsletter. Sadly we have still more crimes to report. In addition to hare coursing it would appear some criminals are using slingshots to fire ballbearings at pheasants that are roosting in trees. If you

see anyone undertaking such criminal activities please telephone the police at once, but on no account put yourselves at risk by confronting the perpetrators – these are unscrupulous people who would not think twice about causing you actual physical harm. But in addition to this wanton and cruel activity against wildlife, thieves are now targeting Royal Mail post boxes that are strapped to electricity poles – in March the one outside Does' compound was stolen. Is nothing sacred anymore? Sadly quite a few of these mail boxes have appeared for sale on Ebay.

## Parish Council Meetings

It has been very good to see so many of you joining in the Zoom Parish Council meetings just recently. Although it lacks the personal touch in many ways, at least members of the public can join and leave a meeting when it suits them without embarrassment.



## What do Parish Councils do?

People often ask why the Parish Council doesn't do this, or do that, or they feel 'let down' because the Parish Council hasn't been able to prevent something. Sadly over the years the powers that we have, such as they are, have been gradually eroded by the Government. The role of the Parish Council was explained in issue 1 of this august newsletter, but as that was way back in 2011 we thought it would be a good idea to explain to those new to the area (or for those who have forgotten) what our role is again.

Parish councils make up the lowest tier of local government. Councillors are voted on by the electors in the Parish and serve for four years. Langford & Ulting Parish Council has five councillors, three representing Langford and two Ulting. The next Parish Council elections will be held in May 2023, so if you feel you would like to become involved do consider standing as a candidate.

Parish councils are central to local activity in their communities. They give residents the opportunity to get involved in local affairs, events and campaigns,

and encourage them to make their views known, particularly on issues about planning and maintaining the character of the local area. An important role of the parish council is to make other public bodies, such as Maldon District Council and Essex County Council, aware of the views of our community. The Parish Council has been working on a Neighbourhood Plan which is now reaching the final stages. Residents will have the opportunity to vote for or against the Plan in a referendum to ensure that it represents the wishes of those affected by it.

The Parish Council is responsible for the maintenance of the two closed churchyards and Ulting Lane green, street lighting in Langford, and also owns the Village Hall which is run brilliantly by the management committee.

## What do Parish Councillors do?

As a councillor you become a voice for your community. It helps if you have the concerns and best interests of the parish as a whole at heart. Councillors are community leaders and should represent the aspirations of the public that they serve. Councillors have three main areas of work:

1. Decision-making: through attending meetings with other elected members, councillors decide which activities to support, where money should be spent, what services should be delivered and what policies should be implemented;
2. Monitoring: councillors make sure that their decisions lead to efficient and effective services by keeping an eye on how well things are working;
3. Getting involved locally: as local representatives, councillors have responsibilities towards their residents and local organisations. This often depends on what the councillor wants to achieve and how much time is available.

## What does the Parish Clerk do?

The administration of the Council is managed by the clerk, a paid employee appointed by the Council, who acts in a combined statutory role of Proper Officer (secretary) and Responsible Financial Officer (treasurer). The current Clerk works part-time, (5 hours a week).

The clerk as the Proper Officer enacts the decisions of the Council, prepares agendas for meetings of the Council, gives notice of these to the councillors and the public, and records and publishes the minutes of these meetings. The clerk is the formal point of contact with the public, and a source of information for the public about the Council's activities. The necessary financial monitoring and reporting are also the clerk's responsibility. The clerk provides procedural guidance for the Council itself, and ensures that statutory and other provisions governing or affecting the running of the Council are observed. The current clerk holds the Certificate in Local Council Administration (CiLCA).

## Langford & Ulting Parish Council Accounts Summary 2020/21

### INCOME

2019/20		2020/21
7895	Precept	8280
1	Rent	-
39	Interest	8
-	Grants	120
1043	VAT refund	159
<b>8978</b>	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>8567</b>

### EXPENDITURE

2019/20		2020/21
3850	Administration	4361
69	Election	498
945	Newsletter	945
846	Streetlights	647
389	Churchyards/Grass cutting	348
167	Neighbourhood Plan	-
3734	Churchyard fence repair/Tree work	2230
415	Repaint Ulting village sign	-
1038	VAT	179
<b>11453</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>9208</b>

### BANK

18844	Balance at 1 <sup>st</sup> April	16369
8978	Add Total Income	8567
(11453)	Less Total Expenditure	(9208)
<b>16369</b>	<b>Balance at 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>15728</b>

## Parish Council Precept

Parish councils are funded principally by an annual precept. A budget is approved at the January meeting and the net amount is added to Local Council tax which is collected by Maldon District Council. Parish councils do not receive direct Government funding, any additional money relies on funding through grants, loans or public subscription for a particular project.

At the parish council meeting in January 2021, councillors agreed a precept of £8,700 for 2021/22. The main items of expenditure include: administration costs, elections, insurance, street lighting (Langford), cutting the grass, repairing fences, trees surveys and the resulting necessary work to trees at both churchyards.

## Thanks to our mowers and trimmers...

It has been lovely to see that despite the pandemic, and the lock downs, those that look after Langford churchyard and cemetery, the green at Ulting Lane, and the ford, have kept up their good work. So thank you to Colin Ashby and his team for the churchyard, Tom Marks for keeping the green mowed and Andy Cullen for the ford. This is very much appreciated.

## Oak Apple Day – 29<sup>th</sup> May



This is something I sadly missed from last year's second issue because all the happenings in Ulting during our supposed lockdown put it right out of my mind – very unfortunate really as it would have been its 360<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Also known as 'Restoration Day', Monarchists celebrate Charles II's birthday and his escape from the Roundheads on 29<sup>th</sup> May. More commonly known as 'Oak Apple Day', this was an English public holiday to celebrate the Restoration of the Monarchy, so named in memory of the time when the king hid in an oak tree following the Battle of Worcester. Thanks to the protection of this tree – the 'Boscobel Oak' in the grounds of Boscobel Hall, Staffordshire, he was eventually crowned Charles II, King of Great Britain and Ireland on 29<sup>th</sup> May 1660. Oliver Cromwell (1599-1658), the leader of the Parliamentary side in the English Civil War, had raised a highly successful cavalry force (known as Ironsides) and declared Britain a republic in 1649. He was also part of a special commission that tried King Charles I and condemned him to death that same year. Nevertheless, the king's son (also Charles), having spent nine years wandering through Europe after his escape, issued a Declaration that promised a general amnesty and freedom of conscience if he was returned to power. Parliament accepted and he was proclaimed king.

Samuel Pepys noted in his diary in 1660: "...Parliament had ordered the 29<sup>th</sup> of May, the King's birthday, to be for ever kept as a day of thanksgiving for our redemption from tyranny and the King's return to his Government, he entering London that day."

So what is an 'Oak Apple'? It is also known as an oak gall, and is caused by the larvae of a cynipid wasp. They are so called because the gall looks a little like an apple.

The wearing of a sprig of oak on the anniversary of Charles' crowning showed that a person was loyal to the restored king. Those who refused to wear an oak-sprig were often set upon, and children would challenge others to show their sprig or have their bottoms pinched! (I wondered where that custom came from). Consequently, this day also became known as Pinch-Bum-Day. It is also traditional to drink beer and eat plum pudding - especially at the Royal Hospital in Chelsea, which was founded by Charles II on this very day. Sadly this holiday was abolished in 1859.



## Harry Lee Lockdown Charity Challenge

The Covid-19 pandemic has caused a lot of pain and heartache for many people, with restrictions on all our movements and activities, so it was incredibly inspiring to receive the following from The Grove, Ashfield Farm Road, Ulting:



“We thought you might be interested in this local news story and to highlight some charitable work being undertaken by our son Harry and the rest of his U12 team-mates who play in the mini’s section of Chelmsford Rugby Club.

Season 2020/21 was meant to be a very special one for the club, marking the Centennial of its founding. A number of events were planned but Covid has intervened and spoilt things with only 1 competitive junior fixture, hardly any training and certainly no celebrations taking place. Undeterred by the pandemic, the coaches, children and parents were determined to cement their commitment to the game, show their pride in the club and help out in their wider community.

We calculated that if you travel from our home ground to Saracens (the professional team CRFC are affiliated with) then onto Twickenham (England) then to the Millennium Stadium (Wales) over the sea to the Aviva Stadium (Ireland) followed by Murrayfield (Scotland) then back to Chelmsford via Rugby School (Warwickshire)



where it all began that distance is precisely 1920Km. In a nod to the Six Nations it’s also 1920Km if you go in the other direction taking in the Stade de France and the Stadio Olimpico in Rome.

The 1920 reference ties in with the 100 years since the founding of the club and was a nice target distance for the team to achieve. The idea was



for the children to walk, run, cycle & row to keep themselves fit whilst they are in lockdown and cannot train together and mirror those distances.

The endeavour was intended to help motivate them, provide a sense of competition and fun (so important for their mental health when they are stuck at home and cannot play together), but most importantly do some good raising proceeds for locals struggling in this environment. The children are being sponsored for their efforts and are donating money for the Oasis Group of Food Banks via the central one in Chelmsford.

By the end of February half-term the team had done an amazing job, in fact they managed so many kilometres that the challenge was extended down to Johannesburg in South Africa (to tie in with the British & Irish Lion’s tour) and back to Chelmsford as they sailed through the UK and European legs.

The group eventually raised over £19,200 for the Food Bank, of which Harry alone has contributed over £4,035. He also personally managed over 220km of distance towards the overall team goal.



The Food Bank in Chelmsford has already helped over 6,000 local families this year during this tough economic climate. The extra funds will buy personal care items to add to the usual staple provisions.

The boys were really delighted when Maro Itoje of Saracens & England recorded them a special personal video message just before the Italy Six Nations game wishing them well and congratulating them on such a successful campaign.” [Alexandra Patience and Richard Lee]

I think we should all be so proud of one of our youngsters showing such selflessness, stamina and great determination. Well done Harry – you are an incredible young man, and an inspiration to us all, and we hereby present you with the Parish Bouquet for all your efforts.



## Obituary – Chris Spong (1937 – 2021)



It was with deep regret that we learned of the death, at 83, of Chris Spong, of Stock Hall Farm, Ulting.

Born in Mill Hill, London on 30th December 1937, Chris was the great-grandson of James Osborn Spong, who had founded Spong and Co. in 1856 when he was only 16 years old. The company operated from its works in Emerald Street, London, making

economic, household utensils or, as they were then called, ‘domestic machinery’.

During World War II, the family were bombed out of their London home twice, which led to Chris’s long-standing hatred of fireworks as it reminded him of that dreadful experience. He was sent to a boarding school in Buckinghamshire aged 6, with his elder sister to get them away from the London bombings (the factory was making aircraft parts during the war). He was then educated at Mill Hill Public School in London – the 4<sup>th</sup> generation ‘Spong’ - where he was Head of his House and Rugby Captain of the school. Following this he joined the Army for his National Service, becoming an Officer in the Beds. and Herts. Regiment (later becoming the Essex Regiment). He was posted to Germany during his service, but apparently spent a lot of his time skiing in the Hertz Mountains.

Following his National Service he went to work for Spong and Co. in 1960 in its premises in Tottenham, following his father Roger, and his uncle Donald Spong. The company was then a well-established household name linked with the production of kitchen utensils such as mincers, slicers, shredders, graters, coffee mills, baking tins etc. all marketed under the well-known ‘Spong’ trademark and were sold throughout the United Kingdom, with a substantial export trade that had steadily grown since the Victorian era. Chris became the Export Director for the company. In that year Chris met his future wife, Caroline Pearson-Gee who said “...someone brought him to a party at our flat and I rather liked his MG parked outside!”

In December 1960, Spong and Co. became a Public Company, still registered at the company’s freehold premises at Woodville Grove which, by then, included the factory, stores and offices, covering a total of 35,000 square feet. The plant consisted mainly of presses, lathes, drilling and grinding machines and wire working machines. There was also a tinning and plating shop. The company also had its own tool room where many of its special purpose machines had been designed and built. There was also a printing department for the production of the company’s sale catalogues and other advertising material. The company at this stage had over 250 employees. Two

years later they moved to Crompton Close, Basildon, as their old premises had become inadequate for the company’s increasing turnover; employees were given houses in this ‘New Town’. Chris’s parents moved to Stock in 1961 where they stayed until his father, Roger, retired. His uncle, Donald, retired when the company went out of family control.

In 1964 Chris and Caroline married (following her training at Sparshalt Agricultural College near Winchester - see newsletter No. 27). Following their marriage Chris and Caroline lived first in Writtle and then White Cottage, Wickham Bishops Road, Hatfield Peverel, before buying Stock Hall old barns and farmhouse in 1978. That building was in such a bad state of repair that they and their children lived in 3 caravans on the site for over a year until it had been restored and renovated. It is to their credit that they retained as much of the original building as was possible, ensuring that the historical heritage that they had discovered was retained. Stock Hall enabled Chris and Caroline to engage in their love of gardening, keeping their animals (chickens, goats and sheep), and walking their dogs in the beautiful countryside.

Sadly, by the late 1970s, Spong and Co. was experiencing mixed fortunes. The miners’ strike of 1969 and its knock-on effect in the commercial world had caused immense difficulties for the business, and in 1980, with falling sales of mechanical kitchen equipment, the hardware section of the company was sold off to Salter Housewares Ltd. They continued production of some key Spong products, such as the mincer and the coffee grinder – which household did not have one or both of these? I know mine did – but these were eventually phased out and production has now ceased (so, if you have one of these items it could well be a lucrative heirloom!)

After the sale of the hardware section, the 70,000 square footage of factory floor space at Crompton Close, was now far too large and was put up for sale. Due to the economic climate of the 1980s, a purchaser for the very large factory was hard to find and it became an economic drain on the company. The famous ‘Spong’ name was sold and it became Lionheart Plc. The business moved to Repton Close, Basildon, where Chris had to work for the new owners for two years, after which he started a sales business of his own.

Chris retired in 1985, but sadly ill-health dogged him thereafter, and following a diagnosis of cancer, he went into St. Joseph’s Nursing Home in Danbury, where he died on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021. His funeral was held on 26<sup>th</sup> January in St. Andrew’s Church, Hatfield Peverel, followed by interment in All Saints’ Churchyard, Ulting, next to his late daughter Pippa.

Chris is sadly missed for his dry, laconic humour and his great sense of fun. Rest in peace dear friend.





## Places of Worship

At long last our places of worship are now able to re-open.

### St. Giles' Church, Maldon Road, Langford

Rev. Asa Humphreys – 07950 636660

asa\_humphreys@hotmail.com

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays – Morning Prayer, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>  
Sundays – Holy Communion. All services at 0930.

**For other services see notice on church door**

### All Saints Church, Church Road Ulting

Rev. Stephen Northfield – 01245 380958

Rev. Derek Clark – 01245 380627; 07860 235778

Email: SRNorthfield@aol.com

Services of Holy Communion at 9 a.m. on the

1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 9 a.m. Morning Prayer

Morning Office every Wednesday 9 a.m.

## Tyson – R.I.P.

Those of you who have been following the story of the 'little lost cat' – Tyson – will be as sad as me to note that he has died. He arrived on my doorstep in the winter of 2019 and was a much-loved member of the family ever since. Sadly one evening in February this



year he came in, but refused any food or water (which was most unlike him!) and after he had climbed onto my lap for a cuddle, put a paw up to my face, and then died. Naturally I was in floods of tears, but like to

think that was his way of saying goodbye. He is now buried in my little pet graveyard beside my darling Burmese cats. Sleep well little friend, and thank you for your excellent company and companionship. I still look to see his little face at the back door, or see him curled up under the Daphne bush in the garden, but sadly in vain.

## Neighbourhood Watch Scheme



We are delighted to announce that Carly Truman, of The Old Post Office, Langford, has very kindly said she will take on co-ordination of this venture. We will be working in close collaboration with colleagues in Woodham Walter and other surrounding

villages, to ensure we are all kept informed of what is going on in our neighbourhood, and ensuring that we can all be as safe as possible. If you would like to be involved with the scheme, please contact her at [carlyltruman@gmail.com](mailto:carlyltruman@gmail.com) or mobile 07989 394796  
Thank you Carly for your help and support with this.

## Hare Coursing



Sadly there has been a rise in hare coursing in the area where hares are chased by one or more dogs and ultimately ripped apart. Unfortunately this act of wanton cruelty is regarded by some as 'sport'. The National Farmers Union (NFU) in partnership with the Police Fire and Crime Commissioner and Essex Police has produced good advice regarding the reporting of this crime:

1. Report every incident – if it's live ring 999, otherwise 101 or online
2. Clearly state 'hare coursing'
3. Provide exact location (use what3words app)
4. Get photos or details of people and dogs
5. Get vehicle details – make, colour, registration
6. Be discreet. Approaching hare coursers may be inflammatory
7. Note down crime reference number
8. Share intelligence with farmwatch, local whatsapp and speak to an NFU representative.

Hare coursing is illegal in England, Scotland and Wales and became illegal in Northern Ireland in 2011. However, it continues elsewhere in the world as a regulated and judged, competitive sport, in places like the Republic of Ireland, Iberia, and the Western United States.

## URGENT! HELP NEEDED!!

After several years of sterling service, the Village Hall Booking Clerk has given three months' notice. We very urgently need to fill this vacancy. Good systems are in place to make the job as straightforward as possible and help is available as required. A keysafe is used to make collection and return contactless and easy. For more details please contact John Tomlins or Vicky Anfilogoff – their details are printed on the back cover of the Newsletter.

## An Ode to the Countryside

If hedges were higher and ditches were deep  
We'd be able our fields from bad flooding to keep.  
Wildlife would flourish and flora would thrive  
And intruders deterred by the awkward divide.  
So let's take the part that our ancestors took  
And rebuild the hedges, the ditches and brook,  
The wildflower meadows and flowery meads  
And give nature a space now to sow all her seeds.

Anon

## News from St. Giles' Church, Langford



On Monday last, I took a funeral for a local lady who was a regular collector for the Maldon Guide Dogs for the Blind. Her family proudly reminded us in the tribute that she would

brave the windiest corners with her collecting tin and still come back with the loudest clatter of coppers. They didn't know until the day, that I am the custodian of a retired Guide Dog. They were touched to discover that their late Aunt raised funds that help pay for the care of the Golden Retriever that litters the Vicarage floor with hair for 11 months a year.

It was one of those moments that dog owners encounter from time-to-time – a connection made entirely through your dog and in the most round-about of ways. Just today, I returned from a walk having dropped the kids off at school and spotted a little Yorkshire Terrier wandering, looking a little bedraggled and lost. My dog, Maddie, made a bee-line for him and I looked for the owner – no sign. So, I offered him the stroke he was searching for and looked at the collar. Having clipped him onto the other end of the lead we sauntered through the rain to find the house with the garden gate undone. One very grateful owner later, we walked home.

It reminded me of another walk in the rain in the countryside, where my wife and I found two small terriers who were similarly bedraggled and lost. Here, though, we were a long way from civilisation as one can be in Essex, even still. We were also without our dog on this occasion. We reached and found the collars – but no signal did our phones have. So, I untied my shoelaces and fashioned two makeshift leads and I sloshed back to the nearest village with what felt like clown shoes. My wife and I shared the lead duties.

Once signal was found, the owner was called and it turned out that the two dogs had been lost for days and were many miles from home. Her neighbour turned up to collect them in an immaculate Mini upholstered with cream leather. He was surprised at how dirty they were, but in they jumped and another family was reunited.

I have reflected upon this story often, but it feels especially poignant now as we begin to be able to meet again with greater freedom.

We have services once more every Sunday at St Giles, Langford at 0930 and this past year has made many of us feel somewhat lost and bedraggled. Psalm 145 reminds us that, "The Lord is close to *all* who call on Him." It'll be unlikely that shoelaces or Guide Dogs will play a part in us turning afresh to God, whether we feel near or far. Howsoever God responds to your call, you can be assured of a warm homecoming.

Yours in Christ, Revd. Asa Humphreys



## News from All Saints Church, Ulting

After all the uncertainty of the past year it is good to look forward to summer and the hope of better things to come. It was wonderful to be able to celebrate Easter even though the service had to take place outside the church this year. Easter has always been seen as a time for new beginnings. Let's hope that this year it represented the beginning of regular services again at Ulting.



An Easter Trail was set up at All Saints during the week leading up to Easter Sunday and proved very popular. Ten simple drawings, which told the story of Easter, were set up along the path leading to the church with leaflets providing an explanation of the illustrations. The Trail led to a beautiful Easter garden which had been decorated at the back of the church building, by the riverbank. This final part of the Easter Trail provided the focus for the outdoor service on Easter Sunday when the congregation, all suitably and socially distanced, came together to celebrate this important Christian festival. The church, the river and the Easter garden provided a wonderful backdrop for this first service after lockdown. My thanks to all those who set up the Easter Trail and constructed the garden.

It was appropriate that the Easter Trail led everyone back down to the church after so many months when it had been closed because of concerns of spreading Covid. It was also fitting that the first full service on 19<sup>th</sup> April held inside the church should be something special, a celebration of the life of Prince Philip. It took place on the day after his funeral and followed an Order of Service which had been prepared by the Church of England and the Royal Family. The hymns reflected the Duke's life and his sense of duty and the service ended outside with the congregation singing the National Anthem.

The following weekend saw the baptism of Georgina Mary Jones on 24<sup>th</sup> April, a great occasion for her Dad and Mum, Matthew and Abi, who were married here.

Services are now back to their normal Sundays and include hymns though the current guidelines mean that it is still not possible to sing but can be followed as the organ plays them. Current restrictions still require social distancing inside the church and the wearing of facemasks. A hand sanitising station is set up at the entrance to the church. The Prayer Box in the porch is available to everyone and has proved an important means of not only sharing problems, but passing on joyful and positive thoughts during these difficult months. Simply write your prayer on a Prayer Card and indicate whether it can be included with those read out during a service, or for my own regular private prayers



With loving prayers and blessings. Revd. Derek

## Clubs, Societies and Voluntary Bodies

### Parish Council

<https://e-voice.org.uk/langford-ulting/>

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MDowns, Sally Marks, Merle Pipe, Caroline Spong

### Quilting Group

 – 1st & 3rd Friday (1-4 p.m.)

Contact **Suzanne Benbow** (01621 868610)

### Line Dancing

 – Friday evenings

Contact **Rosie Grimwade** (Tel: 07802 322868)

### Friends of St. Giles' Church

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### Local History Recorder

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### Maldon Golf Club

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