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Where have all the sparrows gone?

During the last Big Bird Watch in February it was very sadly noticeable that Sparrows were absent from the birds seen in many local gardens. Having been used to being woken by their chatter from the clematis outside my bedroom window, it was distressing that not one made an appearance. There were plenty of Blue, Great, Coal and even Long-Tailed Tits, and that is wonderful, but where were our little sparrows?

Throughout the 20th century, house sparrows underwent a gradual decline, thought to be linked to the disappearance of the horse from London's streets (undigested grain in horse manure had been a major food source). We have a good picture of that, thanks to the birdwatching activities of one of Britain's most celebrated environmental figures.

Max Nicholson was a senior civil servant, who, in 1949, brought into being the world's first statutory conservation body, the Nature Conservancy, and subsequently ran it for 15 years. He was also one of the founding fathers of the World Wildlife Fund in 1961. But he had been, since his earliest years, a passionate ornithologist, and in November 1925, aged 21, he and his brother went to one of central London's greenest parks, Kensington

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Gardens, and counted 2,603 house sparrows there.

Years later he returned to count again. In December 1948, there were 885; in November 1966: 642; and in November 1975 there were 544 - a steady but slow decline. When he counted in February 1995, the numbers had dropped off a cliff to just 46, and when, aged 96, he did his final count on 4th November, 2000, almost 75 years to the day since his first, helpers from the London Natural History Society could find, in all of Kensington Gardens, but eight birds. This rapid collapse is backed by records from other parts of the capital. In Buckingham Palace gardens, the last birds bred in 1994; in St James's Park, where, in the Eighties, sparrows would swarm in fluttering flocks onto the hands of visitors holding seed, the birds had disappeared completely by 1999. So what has happened? It has remained one of our country's most baffling environmental events. (Continued on Page 6)

Editor's Note



Welcome to issue 33 of our newsletter. How did you fare with Storm Eunice? As you will see from page 4 we had some problems in the area, with a few properties, especially in Ulting, without power for some time.

Council Tax, Fees and Charges 2022/23

At the Full Council meeting held on 24th February, Maldon District Councillors approved the council tax and fees and charges for 2022/23. The average Band D property in the Maldon District will see an increase of just £5 per year or 9.6p per week, in the amount which is retained by Maldon District Council.

The income from the council tax, which is collected by the Council, is shared with Essex County Council, which is the largest proportion, Essex Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, and the amount which is requested separately by the Town or Parish Council.

The Government has recognised the pressures currently facing both Councils and residents, and has introduced a £150 refund for those in Band A-D properties as well as allocating money for a discretionary fund.

In presenting the budget to the Council, Leader Cllr. Penny Channer said "It is incredibly difficult when you have the responsibility for setting the council tax knowing the pressure it will put on residents. Looking ahead to the pressures faced and the services needed, an increase of 9.6p a week council tax has been approved. With inflation at 5.5%, this council tax increase is well below at 2.41%" [Maldon District Council Press Release].

Chairman's Report 2022

It is good to be able to meet again as a community after the trials of Covid and lockdowns. It has been very sad that our Chairman, Vicky Anfilogoff, has been unable to attend meetings due to illness and a long stay in hospital, but it is good news that she is now home and on the mend. I would also like to take this opportunity of thanking everyone who has helped me through this time standing in as Vice-Chairman.

The good news is that the Neighbourhood Plan has finally been 'made' by Maldon District Council, although it was disappointing that only 56 residents decided it was worth turning out to vote at the referendum, of which 49 voted YES. Nevertheless it is now through and, hopefully, will stand us in good stead in the future. I would like to publicly thank Vicky Anfilogoff and Jenny Clemo for their years of hard work and tenacity with this, and for refusing to give up on it, however tempting it may have been from time to time.

The Parish Council was approached by JTS Partnership regarding a proposal for development at Oval Park. This time for commercial ventures in the shape of Maldon Salt Company and ADP, a world class design and technology lead organisation with roots in Formula 1, developing high end vehicles from design, through testing to manufacture. ADP is also planning on having a high-end classic car and race car workshop. There is still uncertainty about what is intended for the parcel of land next to the B1019 which has been earmarked for offices, but nothing specific has been put forward as yet.

Tree work has been very much on our minds this year with both churchyards needing trees attending to with the accompanying requirement for approval from Maldon District Council as both are in Conservation Areas. This inevitably delays things.

It was good to have the Art Show back this year, and despite some teething troubles with the new layout and recording, it went well, apart from problems with the card reader which stopped when it recorded £1,000 which was very frustrating for the organisers, and Sally Marks in particular who spent a great deal of time and energy trying to find out why it had stopped working so abruptly.

Thanks are due to Colin Ashby and his team for keeping the churchyard and cemetery of St. Giles' looking so good, and to Alan Marks and his sons for keeping the green in Ulting Lane well mown.

We were fortunate in not having too much damage from the recent storms, but thanks to Colin Ashby and his team again for stepping in and clearing away where trees were damaged or across the road.

We had the sadness of losing Karl Jarvis as District Councillor this year, but look forward to working with his successor.

Finally, I would like to record my own thanks to our very hard working Parish Councillors, and especial thanks to Jenny, our Parish Clerk, for the incredible amount of work she puts in to making the Parish Council run smoothly. Thanks too to those of the public who attend and take an interest in what goes on in our communities. Irene Allen

And the Parish Bouquet goes to...



We have all been deeply saddened by the loss on 25th of May, of Paula Cant of Langford Grove. Paula was a lovely, kind and gentle person who, with her husband Wally, very generously opened up their beautiful bluebells wood every year, usually just for friends and villagers. Her lovely smile and welcoming

nature will be missed by us all, and we send this bouquet to Wally and his family with all our love.

Future Parish Council Meetings

19th July, and 6th September at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall – we hope to see you there.

INCOME			
2020/21		2021/22	
8280	Precept	8700	
-	Rent	2	
8	Interest	2	
120	Grants	-	
159	VAT Refund	255	
8567	TOTAL INCOME	8959	
EXPENDITURE			
2020/21		2021/22	
4361	Administration	4062	
498	Election	-	
945	Newsletter	945	
647	Streetlights	944	
348	Churchyards/Grass Cutting	453	
-	Neighbourhood Plan	-	
2230	Churchyard Fence	-	
	Repair/Tree Work		
-	Repaint Ulting Village Sign	-	
179	VAT	212	
9208	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	6616	
BANK			
16369	Balance at 1 st April	15728	
8567	Add Total Income	8959	
(9208)	Less Total Expenditure	(6616)	
15728	Balance at 31 st March	18071	

Parish Council Accounts Summary 2021/22

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 2022, councillors agreed a precept of $\pounds 10,500$ for 2022/23. The main items of expenditure include: administration costs, elections, insurance, streetlighting (Langford), cutting the grass, repairing fences, trees surveys and the resulting necessary work to trees at both churchyards.

Conviction for Placing Poisoned Wheat on Land

Further to last issue's article on the way of scaring unwanted wildlife from fields, it was interesting to find a snippet from the *Chelmsford Chronicle* of 15th April 1854, which reported on a conviction at Witham Petty Session on 12th April of that year: 'Charles Clark, farmer, of Heybridge, was summoned by Captain Swabey, of Langford Grove, for having wilfully placed poisoned wheat on the land for the purpose of destroying rooks. The evidence adduced was conclusive, and the defendant, who said "I admit it all – I plead guilty", was fined 20 shillings, including costs, which he paid.

How refreshing to find someone who actually admits to doing something wrong!

'Finds' at the proposed Westcombe Park site



Heybridge and Langford residents have been very concerned about what has been termed a 'significant archaeological find' uncovered on the site of the planned 1,138 house Westcombe Park development. A worker on the site said that an ancient bowl, possibly dating back some 4,000 years, was found by the archaeologists who are carrying out investigations on certain areas of the site, and clearly this is a really important find.

Residents living adjacent to the ancient wood are extremely concerned that they have been given no further details of the find from the developer (Countryside Properties) who was given permission to build the development in October 2019.

This whole area of Essex is well-known for its Anglo-Saxon, Iron Age and Roman roots, and local people feel they should be kept informed of the treasures that are being dug up on their doorstep. In issue 12 - Vol. 4 No. 3, Summer 2015 of this newsletter we noted that a find in Langford pre-dated Stonehenge by about 3,000 years.

In the mid-90s, the development of a new housing estate between Crescent Road and Heybridge approach revealed further historical finds: more than two years of digging led to the discovery of 2,910 Roman coins and large collections of animal bones and pottery fragments from the late Iron Age and Roman periods. The site was a major Romano-British village in the 1st century A.D. with farm plots, roads, wooden buildings and a temple built over an earlier shrine. Local residents now feel that as much of the site as possible should be preserved for future generations. This is not just NIMBYism, but a genuine fear that with increased development in the countryside, our ancient history is being destroyed. Also, with the state of the world at the moment, we need all the agricultural land to feed us.

In response to a call from residents for a community liaison panel to be established to 'improve' communications with locals about the development, Countryside said that a full report on the outcome of the archaeological investigations, together with a short summary, will be produced in due course and submitted to Maldon Council. Unfortunately, as has been found from earlier developments, historical significance and the wishes of local people are lost to the monetary gains of developers. [Thanks to Maldon.nub.news for part of this story].

Garden Party Success – 90 Years Ago

Another snippet from the *Chelmsford Chronicle*, this time from 24th June 1932 reported that: 'A garden party held at Langford Place in aid of Langford Church funds was organised by Miss Snell and Miss Packe. [Miss Packe was the Churchwarden at St. Giles' Church, and Miss Snell was her companion – Ed.] A boxing display was given by Mr. J. Yuill, ex-amateur boxing champion of South Africa, assisted by R. Yuill, Bert Good, F. Tomkin, Albert Yuill and Sonny Grogan. The troup also gave a fine display of tumbling.'

Places of Worship

St. Giles' Church, Maldon Road, Langford

In Interregnum. Please contact the Churchwardens for information: Irene Allen – 01621 855447, or Gerald Matthews – 01245 472860 1st & 3rd Sundays – Morning Prayer, 2nd, 4th & 5th 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 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month 2nd Sunday 9 a.m. Morning Prayer 4th Sunday 9 a.m. Common Worship with Holy Communion Morning Office every Wednesday at 9 a.m. Everyone, of whatever persuasion, is welcome at both our beautiful churches

'Heavenly Supplies' Village Shop



You may well have noticed that our lovely little shop in the church – 'Heavenly Supplies' has not been open for some time. This has been largely due to the fact of the Coronavirus outbreak when we were not allowed to open (although I was still making deliveries, and church keyholders were able to access it). However, with the

loss in October 2020 of Jock Agnew, who used to man the shop for three days a week, and the fact that other volunteers, including myself, have found other things to do on weekday mornings since lockdown, we have been unable to staff the venture. There is also, of course, the fact that since lockdown so many more people have begun having their groceries delivered. We will still open for event days and holidays when the church is manned, but thank you very much, both volunteers and customers for your past support.

Funded Pond Conservation Project for Great Crested Newts



The Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group is delivering a funded pond conservation project on behalf of Natural England. Funding is available for restoring old ponds and digging new ones in certain parts of Essex which fall into strategic areas for great crested newts. Langford and Ulting qualify for this funding as some of the land around our villages is deemed to be especially suitable habitat for bolstering and connecting existing populations of this endangered species. As such the Advisory Group is seeking landowners who are prepared to dig or restore wildlife ponds on their land. Most qualifying pond projects have been fully funded under the scheme and there is virtually no paperwork involved for landowners.

The project is part of Natural England's District Level Licencing Scheme (DLL) – a strategic approach to licencing for great crested newts, which seeks to provide bigger, better and more joined up habitat for this orange-bellied amphibian at a landscape scale. The ponds restored and created under the scheme will not only provide high quality habitat for newts, but also benefit numerous other pond-associate species. Most of the 150 or so pond projects the Advisory Group have delivered under the scheme to date have been fully funded.

To qualify for funding, ponds created or restored under the DLL scheme must offer excellent habitat opportunities for breeding populations of great crested newts. This includes good water quality, connectivity to ideal terrestrial habitat and minimal disturbance from livestock, dogs or humans. The full criteria for DLL scheme ponds can be found on their website<u>www.fwageast.org.uk/ponds</u>. If you think your pond project could meet these criteria, email them at <u>ponds@fwageast.org.uk</u> to find out if you are in one of the strategic opportunity areas for the scheme. One of their pond advisers will call you back to discuss.

Needless to say, such ponds don't just benefit newts! Numerous species rely on, and benefit from, clean water wildlife ponds, including beneficial insects and farmland birds. And even if your pond plans do not meet the DLL criteria, they can still help.

Our biggest newt, the great crested newt is almost black in colour, with spotted flanks and a striking, orange belly. It has warty skin and males have a long, wavy crest along the body and tail during the breeding season.

Storm Eunice takes its toll



Firefighters from Maldon rescued a man trapped in his van which was tipped over by the high wind on Friday 18th February. He was travelling on Langford Road in Wickham Bishops early on in the day when Storm Eunice hit the area. Warnings had been given by Maldon District Council strongly discouraging people from travelling during the storm, but clearly, some have no option. Fortunately the man was not hurt.



Another casualty of the storm was an enormous tree which fell acros the access to the 'Permissive Path' in Ulting Lane – a popular place for locals to exercise their dogs. The path itself did not escape trouble as a large tree fell across the recently restored bridge and closed the path to all but intrepid walkers.



Trees alongside the ford by the Village Hall were also felled and damaged the substantial fencing.



What's happening with the line?



Some while ago a Green Recycling vehicle managed to take the top off the telegraph pole along the Hatfield Road, in Ulting. The line has been lying on the verge for weeks now and nothing has been done, despite residents contacting the District Council. The area has



been roped off between two adjacent poles to ensure that grass cutting can be carried out safely, but this situation is certainly not one that can continue indefinitely, but fortunately it did not affect the road.

We understand that Insurance Companies are involved in this situation so it may be some time before we see a resolution!

The Cowshed Club



It has been lovely to have the Cowshed Club back in action, and we had a superb walk through the bluebell woods at Langford Grove in May (and our grateful thanks to Wally Cant for allowing this to go ahead given his family's very sad

circumstances). We also had a Jubilee celebration evening where everyone dressed in red, white and blue – very patriotic.

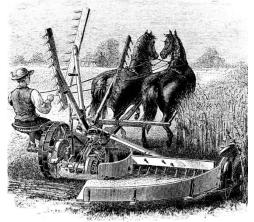
Future Cowshed Club meetings will be held on: 30th June, 28th July, 25th August, 22nd September, 27th October and 1st December for the Christmas Party (I know, we don't want to think about Christmas at the moment, but time soon passes...)

The Cowshed Club is open to any lady in our two parishes of any age, so do come and join us and make new friends.

Langford Bowls Club

Come and join us on a Wednesday afternoon, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. in the Village Hall No previous experience necessary and it is a great way to get some gentle exercise, as well as hand-eye coordination.

A Valuable Invention in Langford



The Essex Newsman of 12th September 1891 reported: 'A new automatic reverter for reaping and mowing machines has been invented by Mr. John C. Moore of Langford Hall. The apparatus consists of splints attached to two straps revolving on pulleys like an elevator, with wooden tines six inches long fixed to the splints so close that there is about one ever superficial foot on the revolving part, which travels about one fifth faster than the machine. These tines lift and revert corn or grass into the proper position for the knife to cut it with ease to both horses and machine, and completely clear it off the ground. Hitherto such machines have only been capable of manipulating standing crops; but this invention, which can be attached to any mower or reaper, will cut beautifully any crop whether standing or badly laid.' Sadly the illustration is not Mr. Moore's, but a close representation of the type of machine he invented.

So what kind of flowers are these?



You may have been intrigued, as were we, by the 'flowers' in the hedgerow as you pass St. Giles' Church. Closer inspection revealed that they are security tags from spirit bottles (no, not that sort of spirit!)

The Art Show is back!

It was wonderful to have the Art Show back again this year with another crop of excellent works for sale. There was a slight problem with the new card reader for sales, but this was sorted out in the end – thanks to Sally Marks for her patience over this. Grateful thanks to all those who organised, took in the paintings, set up the hall, helped over the two days and took everything down again – a great deal of effort, and very much appreciated.

Where have all the sparrows gone? (Contd.)

When the disappearance of these beautiful little birds at last became properly appreciated by the public, from the year 2000 on, many reasons were put forward, some more sensible than others. They ranged from pesticides to peanuts (supposedly poisonous in bird-feeders), from climate change to the Chernobyl nuclear disaster, and from home and garden improvements (loss of green spaces and nest holes) to predators such as magpies, sparrowhawks and cats. But while some of the above may have influenced numbers or behaviour, scientists of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds and the British Trust for Ornithology didn't think any of them were actually driving the decline. The world expert on sparrows, Denis Summers-Smith, had a different idea; he thought the reason might be to do with air pollution, and in particular exhaust gases from diesel vehicles, and specifically their microscopic soot particles particulates - now seen as a major health hazard for humans and the cause of respiratory problems. It is thought they may be responsible for 29,000 premature deaths a year in Britain. They might be responsible for sparrow deaths as well, he thought.

Figures from the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders are startling - the mysterious plunge in numbers in London's sparrows in the Nineties is clearly matched by a corresponding surge in the uptake of diesel vehicles in Britain. Diesel registrations doubled between 1985 and 1990 from 64,000 to 128,000, then they leapt to 200,000 in 1992, 340,000 in 1993 and 431,000 in 1994. The resultant air pollution will have been greatest in towns and cities, and greatest of all in London, where urban air pollution is worst. In other words, harmful diesel particulates in the air in the capital will have increased substantially just before its sparrow populations began collapsing.

However, it would be ironic if, just as coal miners had their canaries to warn them quickly of noxious gases underground (by expiring), we had a modern-day version of the miner's canary in the house sparrow. But that we did not begin to recognise what their disappearance was telling us until 25 years after the event.

Having written the above, however, there was a whoop of delight from the Allen household when I looked up from my computer to see a beautiful male House Sparrow looking at me – sadly just the one. But I have been assured by friends in Heybridge Basin that they are alive and well there, so hopefully they will soon return to our parishes.

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Thank you to everyone who organised street/village green parties in our parishes, and thanks also to everyone who attended the Village Picnic on Sunday 5th June. Although the weather wasn't brilliant, it was lovely to have so many people joining and leaving and meeting new people. Even the Queen dropped in...

News from St. Giles' Church, Langford



We were all deeply saddened by the sudden loss of our dear friend Jack Rayner – the bass section of the St. Giles' Singers. Jack was a lovely man who made really wonderful marmalade and the

most exquisite cakes, and his unique sense of humour will be missed by us all, as will his expertise as a builder. His funeral on 24th March filled the church, and his wake at Maldon Golf Club brought his many friends together to reminisce.

We were most fortunate in that the church was unscathed following Storm Eunice (other than the loss of a few more shingles from the spire) but have now been hit by a storm of another sort with the shock resignation of Revd. Asa Humphreys. Asa had been feeling the pressure for some time, and his health was clearly being affected by it, but we had hoped that a period of sick leave would help him, but sadly at the end of May he decided that he had to resign. He will be very much in our thoughts and prayers as we try and move forward. We will keep services going as much as we can, but do bear with us given the fact that so many local clergy have now retired and are unable to give cover.

We have plans to renovate the tower and re-hang the bells giving access to them without the highly risky necessity of going over the joined roof to get to them. It is also proposed to replace the current cedar shingles with oak ones. However, all this work is very costly, and if you feel you could help us in any way financially to achieve these improvements it would be very gratefully received. I know churches are always after money, but St. Giles' is such a unique building that we need to ensure that it is preserved for future generations and enjoyed by our own.

We are also looking to replace the broken fencing in the graveyard with hedging, and any help in providing these will also be gratefully received. Thanks must be given to Colin Ashby and his team for keeping both the closed churchyard and the cemetery looking so good, and for leaving wild areas for the birds and butterflies – so badly needed now.

Despite everything, we are looking forward to a brighter future. We will be holding an Open Day on Saturday 3rd September from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. so do come along and learn more about the building, its place in our village and history, and about the Saint to whom it is dedicated. I am always pleased to think that St. Giles was one of the few Saints not to have been martyred and am thankful for all his care, not only of the birds and beasts, but also in his own way, of us, showing that we need periods of calm in our lives to ensure that we too don't all get 'burned out'.

With all blessings

Irene Allen, Churchwarden

News from All Saints Church, Ulting

With the easing of Covid restrictions it was possible, at last, to resume the annual Open Days recently. It has always been a tradition to do so when Ulting Wick opens its gardens to the public as it



provides an opportunity for visitors to walk across the meadow to look around the Church and discover more about its history. Jane, Barbara, Fr. Stephen and I welcomed all those who came and Geoff was on hand to answer questions. Many thanks to all those who made both days so successful in bringing the Church to a wider public. The next Open Day will be on Friday 8th July 2-5 when the gardens will again be open.

For me, Easter was dampened by the fact that Jean and I found ourselves stricken with the Covid bug and I was unable to take the Easter morning service. Fr. Stephen stepped into the breach and commuted between St. Andrew's and All Saints that morning. I was able to get to the Church when no-one else was around and see for myself the Easter Garden and the beautiful wreath of flowers around the cross which was standing by the riverside. Thank you to everyone who stepped up so that Easter could be celebrated at All Saints despite my period of quarantine.

We have a busy summer ahead, starting with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee when, on Sunday 5th June at 9 a.m the service will not only celebrate Pentecost, but also the Queen's 70th Anniversary. At that service two of her (reportedly) favourite hymns will be included and will be marvellous excuses for some enthusiastic singing. The hospitality hub, or 'Olive' as it is affectionately known, will be on site ready to provide tea and cakes after the service.

On the evening of Thursday 23rd June at 7 p.m. Bishop Roger will be coming to conduct a Service of Confirmation. There are six candidates and everyone is welcome to come along to support them. 'Olive' again will be on duty afterwards for refreshments in the marquee.

On the following Sunday, 26th June, there will be no morning service as the annual Pet Service will be held in the afternoon at 3 p.m. in the church grounds, under the marquee. Pets large or small are invited to come along for the afternoon and are welcome to bring their owners. Special guests will be our local Guide Dog group.

A Churchyard clear-up is planned on Saturday 11th June starting at 9.30 a.m. Please phone me on 097860 235778 if you can help. 'Olive' will again be in attendance.

With loving prayers and blessings. Revd. Derek



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Quilting Group – 1st & 3rd Friday (1-4 p.m.) New contact not yet available

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Langford Carpet Bowls

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