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Leaden Reading

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What Next?

Gradually we are being allowed to get back some of our freedoms.

Shops are back open. The Axe & Compasses and the Black Lion have reopened, but all with restrictions.

We have all been spending a lot more time in our gardens, working or sunbathing.

We can all see and hear more aircraft in the sky, which shows that people are travelling again, but would you?

People can now get married again but still with major restrictions, although these are being eased slowly. From this weekend(15/8) you can now have indoor receptions but cut back now to 15.

There is hardly any business who haven't been affected but as people have supported each other, now's the time to save the economy. But are you prepared to take a chance?

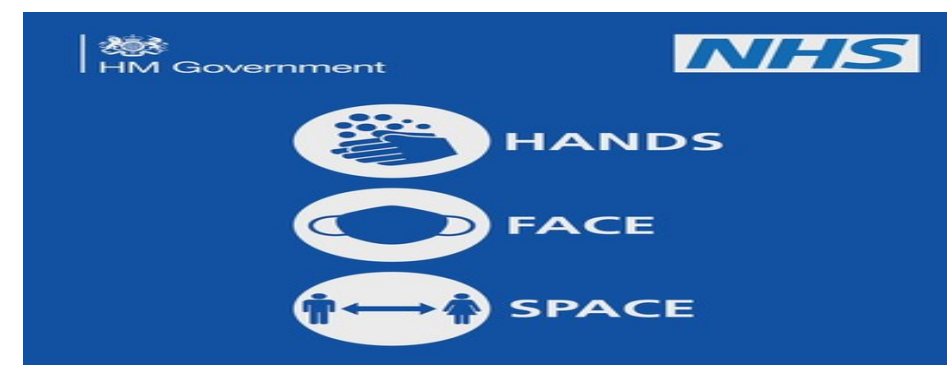
I wrote the above two months ago, now our area has been upgraded into the "High" infection rate. Where is it coming from? Are young people gathering together spreading it?

We can only hope these restrictions work to get the virus under control again.

(see page 16 for the latest information (20/10) but these can change nearly every day so keep watching the local news and listen to the radio. Newspapers too are a good source of information.

Even if because you haven't got an internet connection it doesn't mean you can't keep up to date.

Look to keep safe and to keep others safe.



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There are lots of people involved in various organisations throughout the village. Most give their time for free, helping to organize weekly gatherings, meetings and events.

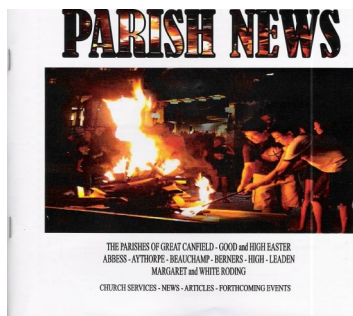
All organizations would love to see some new faces. Yes it might be a bit scary first time, but a first phone call and chat will break the ice and ensure that the welcome mat is there to greet you.

SO GIVE ONE A TRY.

Thanks to all contributors to the magazine.

MORE REQUIRED

Last date for contributions for DEC. by 10th NOV..



Contact Phil Sutterby to order your copies of the Parish Magazine.

£12.00 for 12 mths - 12 issues (6xChurch)

Want to make a comment on the Leaden Reading? Want to make a contribution? Would you like to see something different? If no-one tells me, I don't know! Please e-mail : leadenreading@yahoo.co.uk

The Who's Who of the Village

(Tel no 01279 unless stated)

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Bowls Club	Ivy Clayden	876568
Church Events	David Tregunno	876601
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Watch out for Events Happening in the monthly Parish News, the Village Notice Board or The Village Hall Notice Board

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See her website for surgery dates
See page 24 for more details

With the harvest being early this year the mammals have lost a lot of their cover. I saw a herd of deer at Cloghams cricket pitch and Teresa spotted a herd of 8 deer with one black faun. Baby rabbits were spotted diving into a hedgerow as we passed and I've seen the odd hare now that wheat fields have become stubble. We have only seen one hedgehog killed on the roads, hopefully this is a sign of reduced traffic and not hedgehog numbers.

The wild flowers have done well this year despite dry weather. The Common Mallow continues to thrive along every verge and hedgerow. We have also seen plenty of Red and White Campion, Poppies, Flags, Willow-herbs, Purple Loosestrife, Corn Chamomile and Teasels as these are probably the most easily recognised. The Thistles and Burdocks are beginning to flower and I'll talk about them more in my next report. I'm also pleased to see the Hazel Nuts are plentiful and ripening ready for the squirrels to harvest.

Back in June I came across an unusual and very large fungus growing on a fallen log close to Wapers Mill. I've since identified this as Dryad's Saddle using the picture my daughter took at the time - see across. The trees and bushes are now beginning to bear fruit with plenty of Elder Berries and Blackberries along with Crab apples in the hedgerows. Whilst walking around the Cloghams cricket pitch recently I came across the apple tree that my uncle Frank planted many years ago. It was good to see the tree has survived and this year is laden with apples. When I mentioned this to my daughter I recalled that back in my playing days we had to draw water from the well outside the Cottages on the edge of the field, nice and fresh for the cricket teas!

So ends another ramble through Leaden Roding and slightly wider afield. Please continue to stay safe.



Best Wishes Ken Pavitt August 2020



White Tailed Eagle



Banded Demoiselle



Large Red Damselfly



Gate Keeper Butterfly



Fritillary Butterfly



The Common Mallow

Summer in Leaden Roding 2020

Since my last report Covid-19 restrictions have been eased and Sylvia and I have been able to get out and about a bit to enjoy the good weather and the local wildlife. As I am writing this the hot weather has finally broken and thunder is rumbling all around. We have seen records being broken again this summer. It was the driest May on record and in August London had six consecutive days of temperatures recorded over 34 degrees centigrade, the first time this has happened since 1961. Several towns have flooded over the last weekend following torrential rain and I believe that one brave gentleman was swimming at the Army and Navy roundabout and others were canoeing down streets in Chelmsford!! Fortunately for the local farmers this year's harvest is the earliest yet and most of the grain crops had been gathered in before the rains came.

Closer to home I have enjoyed the sight of Buzzards and Red Kites over the garden whilst we have been confined to barracks. There seem to be young Buzzards everywhere and the Red Kites numbers seem to be increasing. The Red Kites have shown how a species is able to be re-established in a country where they had become extinct. By 1871 there were no Red Kites in England and they had disappeared in Scotland by 1879. They became a protected species in 1903 where a few pairs remained breeding in remote parts of Wales. Recovery of numbers in Wales took a century due to various factors but the species was not moving across the border into England. The decision was made to reintroduce Red Kites to England and in July 1990 13 were flown over from Spain and released in the Chilterns. 30 years on there are almost 2000 breeding pairs and you can see these glorious birds in most counties. There are plans to reintroduce other species extinct from England. 5 White tailed Eagles have been released on the Isle of Wight and have been tracked over Oxfordshire and London. Following the successful reintroduction of Beavers in Scotland there is a scientific trial with these mammals being released on the River Otter in Devon and White Storks in W. Sussex have produced the first wild born chicks. If these species follow the success of the Red Kites I may well soon be reporting on these and other reintroduced species being found in our little corner of Essex.

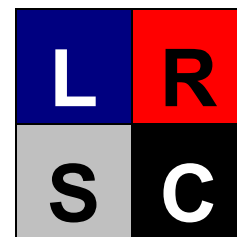
The Moorhen has again bred successfully on the pond leading to the cricket ground. The Kestrel has nested again in the Ash Tree in Long Meadow and I've seen a flock of at least 20 Goldfinches on my walks around Leaden Hall farm. We have had the usual visitors to the garden feeders, Robins, Blackbirds, Goldfinches, Sparrows who have now started to eat the Niger seeds we put out for the Goldfinches, Collared Doves, Jackdaws, Pigeons, Woodpeckers and Blue Tits. This year we have also seen Greenfinches and a Black Cap. I heard a Cuckoo for the first time in several years. I was in the garden one evening and heard it from near the church. My daughters have also heard a couple this year in the fields around Leaden and Beauchamp Roding, I'm not sure if numbers are increasing or the recent lack of traffic has made them easier to hear. Teresa also saw a Tree Creeper skimming up a tree trunk and she had House Martins nesting in her cart lodge this year, but no Swallows. Hopefully they will be back next year, although numbers are down at present.

Insects are doing well this year with both Damsel and Dragon flies being seen early in June. Teresa spotted some Banded Demoiselle. These insects are part of the Odonata order living in Wetland habitats and preferring good water quality as their nymphs grow underwater and require clear water in order to hunt. There are 57 recorded species of these insects in the UK and some favour different conditions, fast flowing water, still ponds and some even prefer acidic bog. The quick way to tell the difference between the two species is Dragonflies are larger with a strong flight and rest with wings open and Damselflies are smaller have a weak flight and rest with closed wings. Below is a list of some of the more common Odonata in the UK:

Southern Hawker, Emperor dragonfly, Four Spotted Chaser, Brown Hawker, Common Darter, Ruddy Darter, Emerald Damselfly, Large Red Damselfly, Common Blue Damselfly, Azure Damselfly, Banded Demoiselle and Beautiful Demoiselle.

These insects mate on the air or whilst settled on a plant. The fertilised eggs are placed on submerged vegetation or some species place directly in to the water. The eggs hatch in the following spring. The nymphs spend a few years as a fierce aquatic predator. When the nymph is fully grown it climbs up a support. The skin on its back splits and the adult dragonfly slowly emerges. Insect blood is pumped into the wings and body to expand them. The thorax needs to be at least 27 degrees celsius before the insect can fly and this can be achieved by the rapid beating of the wings. It takes a few weeks of the insects feeding and sunny weather before they fully mature.

We have seen the usual butterflies this year, Meadow Browns in abundance, Orange Tips, Whites, Ringlets, Red Admirals, Commas, Peacocks, Large and Small Tortoiseshells. We have not seen any Painted Ladies, but as they have a successful season every ten years or so we are not surprised, I did spot a Gate Keeper butterfly, also known as a Hedge Brown in my garden. Teresa saw a Speckled Wood on her walks and also a dark brown butterfly with multiple orange spots which she thinks was a Fritillary but not sure which one as every book she has looked at has wildly differing pictures for the species.



What's on in the Village Hall



The Village Hall remains closed for all activities.

For future information look on-line at the Parish Council website (e-voice.org.uk/leadenroding/) or Leaden Roding Village Hall Facebook page. (see below)

Via Google ...[Leaden Roding Parish Council](#) (this will give you the link)

Via Facebook... [Leaden Roding Village Hall](#)

INSTALLATION OF DEFIBRILLATOR

Leaden Roding Parish Council have now purchased a Defibrillator and it has been installed on the outside wall of the Fire Station.



In the event that it might need to be used by a member of public the first point of contact is the Essex Ambulance Service. Once they are contacted by dialling 999 they will advise the caller the location (on the front wall of the Fire Station, Dunmow Road) and they will also advise the caller of the code number to use to open the box containing the defibrillator. The operator will stay on the line to assist in using the defibrillator until an ambulance arrives. The defibrillator will also give instructions by voicebox on how to use. The defibrillator has the technology to assess the patient and will not activate unless absolutely necessary.

HIRERS OF THE VILLAGE HALL

Since lockdown, where bookings of the hall were not allowed, it has given an opportunity for the village hall to be thoroughly cleaned. Once the hiring of the hall is allowed again we politely ask hirers to leave the hall in the state in which they found it.



OUR PRIZE IS STRUCTURE CHANGING

More chances to WIN from 17 August 2019

- WIN cash prizes from £25 up to the £25,000 Jackpot
- The more numbers you match, the more you WIN!
- We still receive 50p from every ticket sold via our lottery page – a further 10p goes to other local causes
- Support us from just £1 a week and help make a real difference to our community

60% goes to good causes

£25,000 Jackpot!

To start supporting visit:

www.essexlottery.co.uk

and search for: **Leaden Roding**

Players must be 16 years and over and physically based in the UK



SUPPORT YOUR VILLAGE HALL CHARITY

Now you can support the village hall and you could win yourself £25,000!

The Essex Lottery has recently been launched and if you go to the “Leaden Village Hall Trust” page, from the home page, a proportion of your entry fee will go towards the upkeep and improvement of the village hall.

Draws are still taking place.

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU ENTER, GO VIA THE LEADEN VILLAGE HALL TRUST PAGE.

www.essexlottery.co.uk

A BIG “THANK YOU” to those who already support the lottery.

ALL FOR £1 MIN. A WEEK.

THERE'S BEEN WINNERS IN THE VILLAGE.

Contact the Leaden Reading by e-mail with all your news, what's on, what's happened leadenreading@yahoo.co.uk or to 19 Lordswood View
Want a copy of a photo? Send your request to the above contact address.

Leaden Reading September 2020.

Dear Friends,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and coping with the strange new world that is 2020.

One thing the pandemic has done has provoked lots of questions. Where did the virus come from? Was it intentionally engineered and released in the world? Will they ever find a vaccine? And of course: Why did God let this happen?

Perhaps it will surprise you to know that I don't have any easy answers to any of these questions, and whilst I would happily discuss the last one with you I would begin by saying that I don't know the answer.

Having questions is a natural response to the human condition indeed it is natural and an important part of the learning process. Haven't we all heard the small child ask “Why?” endlessly. As a busy parent that one question asked a hundred times an hour can be annoying and yet we should never tire of asking questions. Searching for answers is healthy.

This Autumn I hope to run a course called Alpha, which asks some important questions about God, Faith and Life, and it begins with the question “Is there more to life than this?” and when we have big questions “Where do we go for answers?”

Many people go to Google, friends, family, prayer, or search within. Christianity is for some a place to search for answers, and yet Christianity is not principally a set of answers to life's big questions. Christianity is an introduction to God, and the one who makes that introduction is Jesus.

Through the Alpha Course we give people a chance to ask questions, discuss their point of view and consider the evidence for whether Jesus might be the answer, and perhaps the stimulus for more life changing questions.

The pandemic means we may have to do the course via the internet but if you would like to be part of the discussion and ask some important questions please let me know.

Yours truly,
Rev'd Robert Stone,
Priest-in-Charge,
The Rodings, Easters and Great Canfield
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SERVICES IN OCTOBER

Harvest Festival Oct 11th 6.30pm Oct 25th CW HC 9.30am

HIRE LEADEN RODING VILLAGE HALL FOR YOUR PARTIES, EVENTS, MEETINGS ETC USE OF FULLY STOCKED KITCHEN & IF REQUIRED YOU CAN HAVE THE BAR OPEN (FOR AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF £25.00)

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Weekends £9.00 per hour**

Saturday Evenings 7.00pm until midnight £90.00

SPEAK TO IVY 01279 876568 TO BOOK—CLOSED AT PRESENT



St Michaels and All Angels Leaden Roding

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Serving the people of Saffron Walden, Great Dunmow, Stansted, Thaxted, Rural Chelmsford and Surrounding Areas

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What is an MP?

The House of Commons is made up of 650 Members of Parliament (MPs), each representing one constituency. The Saffron Walden constituency has approximately 100,000 constituents and Kemi's role is to represent the people of the Saffron Walden constituency in Westminster.

MPs split their time between working in Parliament and working in the constituency.

Strict Parliamentary protocol means that Members of Parliament can only deal with issues raised by their own constituents. Kemi Badenoch MP can therefore only help you if you are a resident of The Saffron Walden constituency. If you are not a resident, you should contact your MP directly. To check if you are one of my constituents, please enter your postcode on the Parliament website.

What can an MP do to help?

An MP can try to help you with all matters for which Parliament or central government is responsible, such as:

- HM Revenue and Customs Department- tax or national insurance matters
- Department for Work and Pensions- benefits and pension matters
- Home Office- matters regarding immigration and passports
- Department of Health- matters regarding hospitals and the National Health Service (NHS)

Ombudsman

If you feel there has been unnecessary delay or maladministration you may refer your case to the Ombudsman. You can take your case to all Ombudsmen yourself, except for the Parliamentary Ombudsman, who can only be approached by an MP.

If you wish for me to refer your case to the Parliamentary Ombudsman, you must send me the completed Ombudsman forms. I will look at your case before referring it to the Ombudsman, however an MP may decide not to pass on your complaint, if deemed unnecessary.

What an MP cannot do

An MP cannot intervene with legal matters or court cases, nor interfere with decisions previously made in court. They also cannot provide any financial or business advice.

An MP is not able to assist in settling family arguments or private disputes with neighbours, employers or consumer matters.

If your problem concerns the Local Government (Council), you should have exhausted the internal complaints procedure at the Council before you contact your MP.

Local Government is two-tier in our area meaning the delivery of services is split between Essex County Council and Uttlesford District Council and Chelmsford City Council.

Essex County Council manage services including: highways, schools, social services, libraries and heritage. Uttlesford District Council and Chelmsford City Council manage services including: planning and building control, refuse collection, benefits, council tax collection, parking, housing and leisure.

As an MP, Kemi has no jurisdiction over planning applications or parking concerns. However, if you have exhausted the authority's complaints procedure, Kemi may write to them, on your behalf, to highlight the concerns you have.

If you are unsure of who to go to or you have a problem of a more general nature then your nearest Citizens' Advice Bureau will be able to guide you.

If you are unsure as to whether Kemi can help, please do telephone the office on 0207 219 1943 for advice

Leaden Roding Bowls Club

The club is open to all so if you fancy a game come along to the club night on Friday evenings from 8pm. Friendly matches take place every couple of weeks and anyone of any skill level is welcome to take part. Most evening matches also includes a supper, raffle and a bar at some venues.



More details from Ivy Clayden.
01279 876568

Obviously the club is closed at this time but all are very welcome to join us when we are back up and running.

Last March the Bowling Green was due to be refurbished after it had been badly damaged by the hot summer in 2019 and the invasion of moss. Unfortunately the lockdown meant that the work had to be postponed but work was carried out in September and the bowling green beginning to look healthy again.

All matches have been postponed until it is deemed Safe to Play

Why is the Village Hall still closed?

Legally the hall could open and operate under similar rules to pubs but the committee believe that as the hall is run on a voluntary basis and is non profit making the restrictions which the hall must operate under involve too much outlay to bring it up to COVID Secure Standards.

We would need to install sanitiser stations in the toilets, entrance and exits, and in the bar and kitchen. It may be that the kitchen would have to be closed, as everything would have to be washed after any use of the kitchen.

At present the bar does not use an industrial glass washer, which we now believe we would have to be purchased.

Businesses are transferring to operating "cashless", so to stay safer it might be that we would need to install a wifi/computer system.

The biggest worry on our part is a requirement that after every hiring the hall must be deep cleaned. This is the responsibility of the Hirer. However it is the responsibility of the Trustees to ensure this is carried out. The only way that we can see to ensure that the Trustees meet this condition is for the Trust to do the cleaning themselves and then charging the hirer the extra cost.

A one-way system needs would need to be put in place with signage for social distancing etc. This will reduce what can happen in the hall.

Also everyone entering the hall must be recorded for NHS Track & Trace.

Some of the conditions will be with us for some time yet, so will have to be carried out eventually but what new conditions will be put in place by the government tomorrow or taken away?

Lastly we have had an infestation of ants. Upon investigation it is clear that there are two major nests. These have been treated, however there is severe damage to the floor under the vinyl, leaving holes in the floor where it has been eaten. Our Insurance Company have turned down a claim, so we are now paying for repairs to be undertaken at this time.



1st Moreton and Fyfield Scout Group
The Beaver Scout Colony - 5 and three quarters to 8 years old-
Tuesday 6.00pm to 7.15pm

ALL MEETINGS HAVE NOW BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

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FIRST RODINGS BROWNIES—News
 We have started the new Autumn term with Brownies meetings on Zoom, it is a different way of having meetings but feedback received is that Brownies attending are enjoying the meetings. A full activity report will be written for the December issue of the Leaden Reading.



Again all meetings have been cancelled until further notice.
 Rainbows will be advised when it is safe to return.



SOCIAL MEDIA SITES WHICH YOU MIGHT FIND USEFULL FOR THE VILLAGE

- E-voice.org.uk/leadenroding/ : Parish Council**
 - Facebook: Leaden Roding Village**
 - Facebook: Friends of Roding Primary School**
 - Facebook: Leaden Roding Village Hall**
 - Facebook: Leaden Roding Fire Station**
 - Facebook: St Michael and all Angels Church, Leaden Roding**
 - Facebook: The Axe & Compasses**
- (please inform us of any other sites of interest to be listed)*

Redundancy: Key things to know

Redundancy is a fair reason to dismiss

Furlough has not changed normal employment law; your employer can still make you redundant even if you are furloughed

You must have two years continuous service to qualify for a statutory redundancy payment

If you are made redundant there are statutory minimum notice periods, depending on how long you have worked for your employer

If you are pregnant you have extra protections

Your employer may make you redundant because the business has closed down; the area of the business where you work closes down or because there is a reduced need for employees to do a particular type of work.

The legal rules surrounding redundancy are complex but, in general terms, the following should take place:

Before redundancy you should have been consulted.

You should be given notice.

All holidays you are owed should be paid.

The company should have considered whether there was an alternative to redundancy. Is there another job in the firm you could do?

The process of choosing who is going to be made redundant should be fair. If the company decided to choose you on a discriminatory basis, then your redundancy is unfair, giving you grounds to complain.

If more than 20 staff are to be made redundant, the law says there should be a period of collective consultation between the employer and 'appropriate' employee representatives (usually a union).

Voluntary redundancy?

You should think carefully about how voluntary redundancy will affect any money you are entitled to. Ask your employer about the redundancy package. Sometimes employers offer incentives for taking voluntary redundancy, such as extra redundancy pay or not having to work your notice period.

Claiming benefits

You might be able to claim benefits such as Universal Credit after taking voluntary redundancy. Turn to Us is a useful website to check your benefit entitlement www.turn2us.org.uk or contact Uttlesford Citizens Advice on 01799 618840 or email bureau@uttlesfordcab.cabinet.org.uk

Planning for after redundancy

If you've worked for your employer for 2 years at the end of your notice period, you're entitled to reasonable time off to apply for jobs or training, paid at your normal hourly rate, but only for up to 40% of a week's work.

Contact your local Job Centre Plus and ask for their Rapid Response Service - You can use the service during your notice period and for up to 13 weeks after you have been made redundant.

The new 'Job Help' website set up by the Government has information to help you in your job search as well as thousands of jobs from registered employers <https://jobhelp.campaign.gov.uk/job-search-ideas/>

If you are thinking about changing careers you may find the national careers service helpful <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>

You can find details of local services which can help you get into the workplace, including adult education opportunities and specialised support for people with mental health issues on www.uttlesfordfrontline.org.uk

More information

GOV.UK has more info on redundancy rights and help to find work.

Citizens Advice citizensadvice.org.uk/work/leaving-a-job/

Money Saving Expert moneysavingexpert.com/family/redundancy-help/

Uttlesford Citizens Advice. Barnards Yard, CB11 4EB

T: 01799 618840

W: uttlesfordcab.org.uk

E: bureau@uttlesfordcab.cabinet.org.uk (Monday to Friday 9.30 to 3.30)



HOW WE CAN HELP.

WE CAN REFER YOU TO THE FOLLOW ORGANISATIONS AND MORE



Parenting Support Project



Adult Learning



Activity groups for people with Dementia or Memory Problems

Feeling Good, Caring Well

**Action for Family Carers
Young Adult Carers (ages 16 - 24)**



Build confidence & feel less isolated



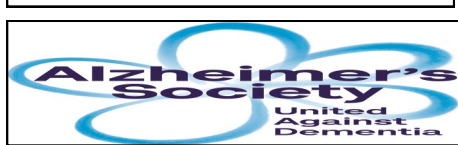
Adult Mental Health Wellbeing Team



Free Home Water Efficiency Check



Home Help Service



Help, advice and guidance for carers and sufferers



**My Weight Matters –How to loose weight
NHS—Health Checks**



Help with clothing and equipment for your baby



Little Goslings Children's Centre

Spangles Children's Centre



**British Lung Foundation
Breathe Easy**

AND LOTS MORE ORGANISATIONS Tel: 0300 500 1895 E-M



Uttlesford District Council

UPDATE ON OUR SERVICES

GARDEN WASTE SKIP.

LEADEN RODING - SUNDAYS 6th September, 4th October, 1st November and 29th November 16.00—17.00 at the front of Rodings School.

COMMUNITY RESPONSE HELP TEL:03333 408 218 or

EMAIL communityresponse@uttlesford.gov.uk

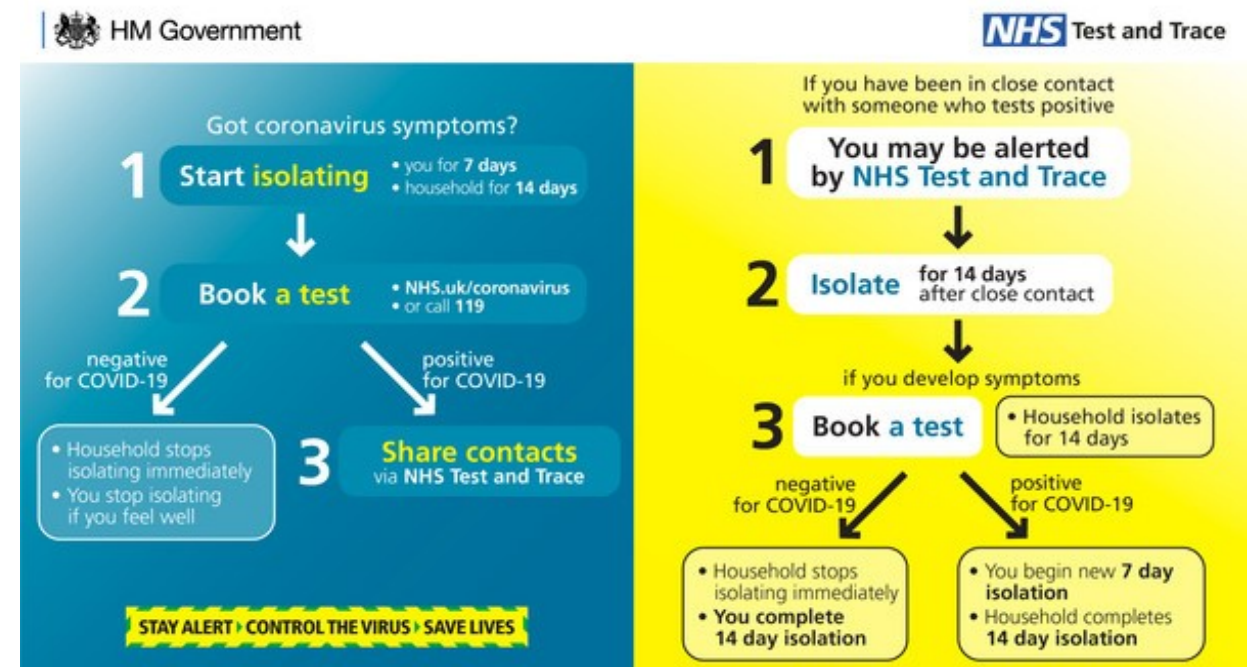
LISTENING LINE— SPEAK WITH A VOLUNTEER ABOUT ANYTHING!

01799 618841

(SEE KEEP ESSEX ACTIVE **YOU TUBE** CHANNEL) ALSO SEE THE “ACTIVE AT HOME” BOOKLET ON UTTLESFORD WEB SITE

ESSEX SUMMER OF ART goes **VIRTUAL!** 50 ARTISTS DISPLAYING THEIR CREATIONS, BUT ON LINE. See the Uttlesford website for more details

VISIT ESSEX PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION—USE THE SPARE TIME YOU MAY HAVE TO TAKE PICTURES OF THE COUNTY. See Uttlesford website.



Stay Safe. Stay Alert.

Protect yourselves and the NHS.

If you feel unwell and have symptom's,

you can now obtain an NHS Test free, at a test site or by getting a test through the post.

BOOK ON-LINE or by Dialing 119 on the telephone.

See: England:NHS 111 online coronavirus service



I can't find a service?

We are working hard to identify as many local health and wellbeing services as possible – but if something is missing or you can't find a service you need – please get in touch via webchat or email us at info@frontlineuk.org.uk.

If I request a call back or I'm referred through the system – when should I expect to be contacted?

We ask services to contact people within 3 working days, but we hope it will be quicker than that. If we see that you haven't been contacted within 6 working days we will contact the service on your behalf and chase them up.

Are my details on the system safe?

We had a lot of help from Information Assurance officers in the NHS, EPUT and Essex County Council to ensure the system is as secure as we can make it. We only ever collect information from you to make a good referral, we only hold your data for a maximum of 90 days, and we use the same level as encryption as on-line banking services. If you want a copy of any information held on the system under your name, please make a 'Subject Access Request' to info@frontlineuk.org.uk.

Who runs Frontline?

Frontline was designed by Uttlesford Citizens Advice, but it is really a large community project where organisations and services sign up to improve people's knowledge and access to local services. Frontline in west Essex is funded by Essex County Council and the NHS's West Essex Clinical Commissioning Group. Uttlesford's Council for Voluntary Services is helping to run the services.

I want to give some feedback on a local service - how would I do this?

Great! Good and bad feedback is really important to understand and improve local services. It can also be used to help funding arguments and identify gaps in services. We collect feedback in various ways – you can give a service a thumbs up or down through the website or via our mobile app. If you have been referred by an organisation, and agree to give service feedback, we may contact you via email or over the phone.

Can I contact someone about Frontline?

Please send all questions, complaints or comments to info@frontlineuk.org.uk or call 01799 618 855. Emails will be responded to within 10 days.

What if I have a family member or know someone who would find Frontline helpful, but they have no access to the internet?

If you know of someone who cannot access the internet and they need help finding a local service - Healthwatch Essex is available from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday on 0300 500 1895 (calls to this number are charged at your local rate).

How do I get a new service on the Frontline Library?

If you run a service in West Essex that you think will be appropriate for Frontline, please click on the sign in/ register button on our homepage. After you register your email, please go to the provider 'about' section and read up on the questions and answers section...we think we have covered most things.

CONTACT DETAILS

The Old Police Station

Great Dunmow

CM6 1DQ

info@frontlineuk.org.uk

01799 618 855 (Monday—Friday 9am—5pm)

Check if you need medical help



NHS 111 has an online coronavirus service that can tell you if you need medical help and advise you what to do.

Use this service if:

- you think you might have coronavirus in the last 14 days you've been to a country or area with a high risk of coronavirus – see our [coronavirus advice for travellers](#) ON NHS.uk
- you've been in close contact with someone with coronavirus

Use the 111 coronavirus service DO NOT GO TO YOUR DOCTORS

More information

[GOV.uk: coronavirus action plan](#)

[GOV.uk: information on coronavirus and the situation in the UK](#)

[NHS.uk](#) [England: coronavirus information for health professionals](#)

PARISH COUNCIL NOTICE

Recently there have been many complaints of dog fouling on footpaths and pavements in the village. Most residents do clean up after their dogs but the few who do not, give others a bad name.

PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG!

Anybody witnessing people not clearing up should report this to the Animal Warden at Uttlesford District Council (Tel: 01799 510510) and the offender will be fined!

VILLAGE HALL GROUNDS

THE FOOTPATH AND THE GRASS IN THE VILLAGE HALL IS USED REGULARLY BY CHILDREN.

RECENTLY SOMEONE HAS ALLOWED THEIR DOG TO DEFICATE IN THE GROUNDS AND THEN NOT CLEANED IT UP. (see facebook page)

THE GROUNDS ARE COVERED BY CCTV. THIS WILL, IN THE FUTURE WILL BE USED TO REPORT ANY OWNER WHO BREAKS THE LAW TO THE UTTLESFORD DOG WARDEN WHICH COULD LEAD TO PROSECUTION.



Have your say on Local Council Tax Support scheme 2021/22

The proposed scheme

For 2021/22, the Uttlesford District Council is proposing to maintain the scheme on the same basis as this year

This includes freezing the contribution rate, meaning the amount that LCTS claimants pay towards their Council Tax bill would be kept at 12.5%. This remains the lowest contribution rate in Essex.

The scheme will also continue to protect pensioners, the vulnerable and disabled residents and their carers on a low income.

Please give us your views on the proposals

Online www.uttlesford.gov.uk/lcts-consultation

Email consultation@uttlesford.gov.uk

For people who do not have access to the internet, paper copies of the questionnaire are available by calling 01799 510510

Closing date

We will accept emails, completed online and paper forms up to and including **Friday 18 September**



PARISH COUNCIL NOTICE

It has come to the attention of the Parish Council that green waste is being deposited in ditches within the village. Residents are asked to use the monthly Green Waste Skip for all green waste. Alternatively residents can apply to Uttlesford for a green waste bin for their own use at a fee of £40 per year.

Garden Bin Collections

The individual Green Waste Bin Collection continues. If you would like a bin for your home go to the Uttlesford D C. website. Bin collections are on Green Bin Days

Green Waste collections from your home costs £40 for a full year.

(See the Uttlesford DC website for an application form. Bins are collected every two weeks.)



The Waste Skip collection of Garden Waste IS BACK!

WASTE SKIP COLLECTIONS

16.00 until 17.00 at Rodings School.

Sunday 6th September

Sunday 4th October

Sunday 1st November

Sunday 29th November



For all Bin Collections, please put bins out by 7am



Website to visit for more information:

www.loveessex.org

Win a recyclable coffee cup

Change to cloth nappies and claim £30 reward

Donate your old cloths instead of throwing them away.

FREEGLE is a site where you can get FREE things

PLUS LOTS MORE INFORMATION ON RECYCLING YOU DIDN'T KNOW





CLOGHAMS CRICKET CLUB

ALL CRICKET CANCELLED .

We have held family days at the ground on 3 occasions now whole families involved in some cricketing fun. Picnics have appeared and the usual bottles of beer.

Thoughts are now turning to our trip away to play golf, which at this time is still due to take place.

This year we are going to Wenson Valley near Norwich. 3 days of golf, 2 nights of socially distancing socialising with the addition of a few beers.



New for this year is a proper trophy!



THIS YEAR IS THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE CLUB.

CELEBRATIONS ARE BEING HELD OVER UNTIL SOME SORT OF NORMALITY PREVAILS.



Do you restrict your use of power because you are worried about the bills?

Getting into arrears with your energy supplier or being forced to cut back your spending on food or other essentials can be bad for your physical, financial and emotional wellbeing.

Warm Homes Essex is a new service set up by Citizens Advice to provide practical advice and support to people who are finding it hard to heat their homes.

Our experienced, professional advisers can help in a number of different ways:

Making sure you are receiving all the benefits you are entitled to

Helping you with fuel debt if you have already fallen to arrears (in some cases we can apply to trusts and foundations to help pay these off – giving you a fresh start)

Energy saving around the home

Switching suppliers – working out which energy tariff is the best one for you

Helping you to join an oil club

Access to grants for energy saving improvements – we can help you find the best scheme and help you apply

Access to emergency fuel payments

For more information speak to Kaleigh, our specialist energy adviser, on 01799 618858 or email warm-homes@uttlesfordcab.cabnet.org.uk



For information on council services, go to: www.uttlesford.gov.uk/coronavirus

We are supporting our high street shops in Uttlesford as they begin to reopen from today by working with local business groups, town and parish councils and other partners to create a safe shopping experience in the district.



Over the next couple of weeks, visitors may start to see some physical changes in the town centres such as floor markings and signage on how to shop safely.

Please support our retailers by shopping local and safely – maintain social distancing at all times and follow the signage that is in place to protect you and others.

Handwashing still plays a key role in protecting yourself and others from coronavirus.

- Wash your hands more often
- Use soap and water for 20 seconds
Or use hand sanitiser

Five ways [Uttlesford Citizens Advice](#) can support you during the coronavirus pandemic:

- **Telephone advice** – Advice on benefit entitlements, money worries, employment rights, housing concerns or relationship challenges
- **Help to claim** – Help to claim Universal Credit including support to overcome any technical barriers to making your claim
- **Disability benefits** – Help to complete disability benefit forms and advice on appeals
- **Access to local support** – Foodbank referrals, access to emergency funds and information about other local support services

Listening Line – for a friendly ear or chat if you are feeling worried, overwhelmed or just want to vent! Call 01799 618841 or email chat@uttlesfordcab.cabnet.org.uk



We're here for everyone to support you through the Coronavirus Pandemic

Staff and volunteers are available Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 3.30pm. Call 01799 618840 or email bureau@uttlesfordcab.cabnet.org.uk.

YOUR PARISH COUNCIL & COUNCILLORS

Clerk for the Parish Council - Terry Bell Tel. 01279 876045 e-mail terrybell19@yahoo.co.uk

Leaden Roding Parish Council

At the start of lockdown, due to Covid 19 all Parish Councils were guided by Government not to hold public meetings. Virtual meetings were allowed but were not compulsory. All Annual meetings were cancelled and elections of Chair, Deputy Chair and Village Representatives were carried over until May 2021. Leaden Roding Parish Councillors decided against holding virtual meetings due to low internet speed in some areas in the village making it difficult for all to join.

Since the last meeting Parish Council business has continued with payments made to:

£398.61 to BHIB Ltd – annual insurance
 £200.00 to Rodings Sewing Group – donation
 £222.00 to M D Landscapes – grass cutting (inv 338)
 £111.00 to M D Landscapes – grass cutting (inv 381)
 £111.00 to M D Landscapes – grass cutting (inv 408)
 £111.00 to M D Landscapes – grass cutting (inv 440)
 £280.00 to R C Bell – printing of Leaden Reading (Mar 20)
 £500.00 to Friends of Rodings Primary School – donation
 £208.08 to EALC – annual subscription
 £111.00 to MD Landscapes – grass cutting (inv 489)
 £675.00 to Mrs T E Bell – clerks ½ year salary

The Parish Council have been asked for views on various planning applications in the village which will be listed in the minutes of the next Parish Council. No objections have been raised during this time.

Speeding has once again been an issue discussed and reported over this time and we have joined with other local Parish Councils to try to resolve the problem of excessive speeding throughout our villages. Councillor Barker has also been involved in assisting with this issue.

Uttlesford District Council have taken over the responsibility of settling the ongoing issue of the guidelines as to whether the fencing of Chalks Green is legal or should be removed.

The Parish Council have now been informed that the 30mph speed limit will be extended on the A1060 towards Leaden Bridge, this will be implemented by Highways within this financial year.

Various other issues have been reported to Highways including overgrown hedges, broken traffic signs and drainage problems.

The Leaden Reading for June and September has been published online only but residents are very welcome to contact me or the editor on the number below and a copy will be printed and delivered to them.

The annual accounts for the financial year ended March 2020 have been internally audited and are ready for signing. To enable the accounts to be accepted and signed there is a need for a short virtual meeting which has been arranged for Wednesday 30th September via Zoom. This has been advertised on the village website and is open for all residents of the village to attend. After this meeting Parish Councillors will decide whether to continue without meetings for the foreseeable future or to hold virtual meetings.

If you have any comments or issues that need to be reported please contact me on 01279 876045 or email terrybell19@yahoo.co.uk. You are also welcome to contact any of our Parish Councillors, contact details can be found on the website.

Terry Bell
 Clerk to Leaden Roding Parish Council
 Sept 2020



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 Chairman
 Tel.876735



Jim McLintock
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Help to Claim in Dunmow

From Monday 8th July our office in Dunmow will be open on Mondays for anyone who needs help to make a Universal Credit claim.

We have public access computers available and trained staff on hand to offer help and advice - just drop in between 9.30 and 3.30.

Find us at The Chestnuts, Suite 8, 4 Stortford Road, CM6 1DA.

We will continue to open as normal on Tuesday, Wednesday

and Thursday to offer general advice.

Please call 01799 618840 to book an appointment.

If you need information about local support or self refer to local health and well being services visit www.uttlesfordfrontline.org.uk

For urgent matters relating to housing, speak to Uttlesford District Council on 01799 510510.

If you are worried about debt - speak to your creditors and tell them that you are seeking advice and then contact us.

For urgent court matters call or email the Court.

For urgent advice on employment issues, ACAS can help <https://www.acas.org.uk/>

We will be recording the information you provide in our client management system. For details on how we use your data, please see our [privacy policy](#) or speak to one of our volunteers when they call back.

Need support to make a
 Universal Credit claim?

We can help.



OUR OFFICE IS CURRENTLY CLOSED SO PLEASE TELEPHONE US

01799 618840



For crimes and suspicious activity NOW phone	999
For non-urgent incidents and reporting a crime that has already happened	101
Alternatively you can report non-urgent incidents or suspicious activity and crimes on-line at https://www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/	
To give information anonymously phone CRIMESTOPPERS	0800 555 111
or report it online at www.crimestoppers-uk.org	
<i>The information you provide is very important to us so please make sure that we can use it effectively, by reporting it correctly through the proper channels above. Thank you.</i>	



RODINGS SCHOOL

Tel: 01279 876288

Www.rodingsprimaryschool.co.uk

The one where coronavirus solves a traffic problem ... hopefully!

Traffic congestion, school runs and road safety are perennial problems that all schools have to deal with. Add in the extra elements of a school covering nine villages, a minimum of thirteen school minibuses arriving daily and many children not qualifying for school transport although they live within the school catchment area, Rodings has an unenviable and unique situation to deal with; making sure that their children and parents arrive safely to school whilst also being mindful of local residents.

Then COVID - 19 hits!

It has been a terrible time for everyone, I don't need to describe the impact here as we have all experienced the pandemic in our own way. However, who would have ever thought that Coronavirus would be the trigger to a possible solution to the parking issues outside the school during term time?

To reopen the school we had to compile a myriad of risk assessments to keep the various groups of children apart and this included when they were dropped off in the morning and collected later in the day. We had run a 'Kiss and Drop' system for morning drop off for a number of years and this had been successful in reducing the number of cars parked outside the school in the morning. We couldn't extend it to the afternoons as everybody leaves the school at the same time and we have to park the thirteen minibuses previously mentioned. Or so we thought!

The regulations for reopening school stipulated that the start and finish of the school day had to be staggered so that no classes mixed. We had to manage this and it gave us the opportunity to extend our 'Kiss and Drop' system to the afternoons and it became affectionately known as 'Collect and Kiss'. Obviously, this was for a much smaller group of children, so it wouldn't work for the whole school.

Parents drove directly into the school car park and were put into a lane, similar to waiting for the Isle of Wight ferry. We even had hi-vis vests and walkie talkies to manage the situation. It made us feel very important! The children were then escorted directly to their car or minibus by a member of staff. We had parked waiting minibuses on our school field out of the way, luckily the weather had been good to allow us to do this. It worked brilliantly and was very smooth. Parents stuck to their designated time slot which meant that we could add more and more cars into the car park.

The feedback has been very positive from parents, many asking us to keep the system going and no cars have been parking on the verges and clogging up the roads. Consequently, we intend to carry this on for the foreseeable future. Obviously, we have not done this with a whole school yet (the maximum we have tried it with is 108 children) so to accommodate double that number we may have to make some tweaks to how it operates. However, if we can make it work so that it clears the cars off the roads, we will try our best.

That just leaves the problem of speeding cars and poor road use to deal with. The school is supporting a group of local residents who have formed a team to champion road safety for the local roads. You may have had one of their questionnaires through your door. The group is in its early stages of planning but they hope to get as many local people involved to make the village a safer place for all road users and pedestrians.

On reflection, there have been many positive things that have arisen from such a horrible time; a greater love of our families, more people exercising and improving their health, appreciating the simpler things in life and hopefully a solution to the parking problem outside of school. Who'd have thought.

Take care! Colin Raraty Headteacher

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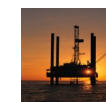
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MATT : 07546 518488 for a quote

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Syndicate



There is a £10.00 per year membership fee, which -due to a lower oil price -will be recouped on your first order.

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Advertise your Business or Event in the Leaden Reading
E-Mail: leadenreading@yahoo.co.uk for details

Local COVID alert level: high



This is for areas with a higher level of infections where some additional restrictions are in place.

This means on top of restrictions in alert level medium:

- you must not socialise with anybody outside of your household or support bubble in any indoor setting, whether at home or in a public place
- you must not socialise in a group of more than 6 outside, including in a garden or other spaces like beaches or parks (other than where specific exemptions apply in law)
- businesses and venues can continue to operate, in a COVID-secure manner, other than those that remain closed in law
- certain businesses are required to ensure customers only consume food and drink while seated, and must close between 10pm and 5am
- businesses and venues selling food for consumption off the premises can continue to do so after 10pm as long as this is through delivery service, click-and-collect or drive-through
- schools, universities and places of worship remain open
- weddings and funerals can go ahead with restrictions on the number of attendees
- exercise classes and organised sport can continue to take place outdoors. These will only be permitted indoors if it is possible for people to avoid mixing with people they do not live with or share a support bubble with, or for youth or disability sport
- you can continue to travel to venues or amenities that are open, for work or to access education, but should look to reduce the number of journeys you make where possible

You must:

[wear a face covering in those areas where this is mandated](#)

You should continue to:

- follow social distancing rules
- work from home where you can effectively do so
- walk or cycle where possible, or plan ahead and avoid busy times and routes on public transport

[Find out more about the measures that apply in high alert level areas to help reduce the spread of COVID-19](#)

Rodings Walking Group 2020

Phil Sutterby
01279 876274
www.rodingswg@gmail.com



All planned walks have been cancelled until restrictions are lifted.

THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF OUR BEAUTIFUL COUNTRYSIDE GOING WALKING. PLEASE KEEP TO THE FOOTPATHS AND STAY CLEAR OF FARMLAND BEING USED FOR AGRICULTURE.

LOOK OUT FOR THE YELLOW ARROW SIGNS.

If you would like a copy of various interesting walks speak with Phil Sutterby 01279 876274 Here is an example below:



Rodings Walking Group

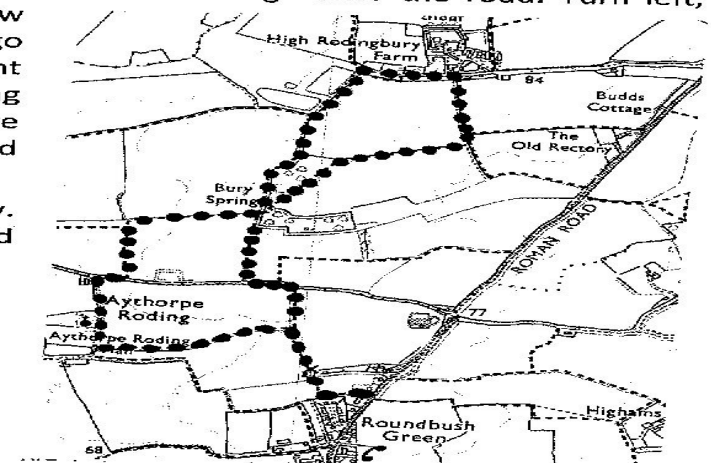


Enjoy a short walk from Aythorpe Roding ...

Facing the Village Hall take the path to the right beside the hall. After 50 yards turn right and head towards the windmill. This post mill was built in 1760 and continued to work until 1935. Continue past the mill, with the hedge on your right, until hedge ends. Step into this field and take the plank footbridge on your left. Follow this path down to meet the road and turn right. You will see St Mary the Virgin Church. This church was built in the 13th century, a nice spot for a rest. Continue on the road to the junction and turn right. After 30 yards take the path on your left. Follow the path across the field to the hedge. At the hedge turn right and head towards the little wood - Bury Spring. At the track turn left, walk alongside the wood on your right, passing a pond and old dead tree to the end of hedge, through the gap, turn left and follow path to All Saints Church, High Roding, built in the 13th century. Turn right and follow the road for some 60 yards and, just before the cottage, turn right and follow path with hedge on your right. Go through the gap on to track and take footpath on your right with hedge on right. Now heading back towards Bury Spring follow path to marker post and turn left across the field and through the wood and onto the track. Turn left and continue ahead to cross bridge onto the road. Turn left, after 70 yards turn right, follow path with ditch on your right, go past footbridge on right, go right into field and continue heading towards mill and back to the village hall. The walk is 3.5 miles long and well-marked.

This walk is on public rights of way. Please respect the Countryside and private property.

Phil Sutterby 01279 876274
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PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG BAG IT AND BIN IT - REMEMBER ANY LITTER BIN WILL DO!

Failure to clean up after your dog could result in a £1000 fine

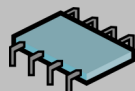
To report incidents of dog fouling call the council's Customer Service Centre on 01799 510510

Alternatively, fill in an online form at www.uttlesford.gov.uk/animalfoulingreport

*This does not include recycling bins
It is preferable to take it home and use your black lidded bin

Microchipping and Dog Tags - Are you aware?

You are probably aware that UK Law states that all dogs must be microchipped however, are you aware that the law also states that all dogs must have a tag. The tag must include your surname, full address and telephone number. The number of animal wardens is reducing and this additional information means that if somebody finds your dog they will know where to return it straight away. Please also remember that if you have a change of address to make sure that you update the microchip details immediately and also make sure that you purchase a new tag.



DOG BINS ARE PROVIDED AROUND THE VILLAGE. DOG OWNERS CAN NOW USE ALL VILLAGE WASTE BINS. PLEASE USE THEM!

MOBILE LIBRARY

Wednesdays - (School) 10.40—11.10

The Service is now back!
4th & 25th November
16th December

YOU MUST WEAR A FACE COVERING

Due to the council rearranging the schedules there are now no visits to Holloway Crescent. The visits are on Wednesdays outside the school. Essex Council are continually reviewing the usage of the library bus, so USE IT OR LOOSE IT!

VISITS are due every 3 weeks
www.essex.gov.uk/Libraries-Archives/

MUTTS IN DISTRESS

Donations

Thank you so much to everyone who has kindly donated food, bedding, carrier bags, foreign coins, used postage stamps and anything else, either previously or during lockdown. Even during these difficult times the support for Mutts from the residents of Leaden Roding and the surrounding villages has been incredible and we thank you all. Until the winter months come along, as people have been so generous, Mutts are no longer in need of any bedding however, they always use towels and therefore I am continuing to collect towels, used postage stamps, foreign coins etc.

Home checks and Rehoming

Mutts in Distress have now begun to carry out home checks again in certain areas and I am pleased to say that the areas around here are included. If you applied during lockdown and haven't yet heard anything, please do re-apply. There were so many applications it was impossible for the lady who deals with them to keep up. It may be that some people who originally applied no longer wish to rehome a dog but if you are still interested, please do complete the rehoming form on the website, details of which are at the bottom of this page. When completing the form, please ensure that you type something in every box, even if you type 'not applicable' as otherwise it doesn't always go through. You will receive an e-mail acknowledging receipt of the form. All home checks are carried out by volunteers in their spare time. I am not a home checker myself as I already spend a lot of my spare time fund raising and helping over at the kennels on a voluntary basis however, if you have any queries concerning Mutts you are welcome to contact me on the number below and I will either answer your question or contact the relevant person on your behalf.

Rehoming Update

I am pleased to say that Ruby who was featured in the March edition of the Leaden Reading has now found her forever home. You may recall from the June edition that she was being fostered during lockdown by one of the members of staff who looks after the boarding kennels but she settled in so well that they have now formally adopted her.

Mutts in Distress During Lockdown

Sadly, for obvious reasons, we have not been able to hold the May Day Fayre and the two fun days this year as well. All of these are big fund raising events for Mutts in Distress. This has had a great impact on Mutts however, after a break due to lockdown, I am now selling items online again to help raise funds. This is particularly important at this time. Some of you may have seen me sell lots of items on the 'The Rodings Selling Group' on Facebook and I will continue to do that however, if you would just like to see the items I have for sale for Mutts and do not wish to see other sales posts, then please join the new facebook page which I have recently set up called 'Mutts in Distress Sales Group'. This group is for myself and Jackie McNally another member of the team to sell all sorts of items to raise funds. Many of the items are new and will make great christmas presents! As Jackie and I do this on a voluntary basis in our spare time, it means that 100% of the money for sales does go to Mutts in Distress.

Should you have any queries or you wish to donate anything to Mutts in Distress however small, please contact Keely or Ann Robinson on 01279 876308 or Keely on 07921 611347 E-Mail keelyrobinson@live.com

Website: www.mutts-in-distress.org.uk

Facebook Pages: Mutts in Distress!!!!!!
Mutts in Distress Sales Group

Monetary donations should you wish, can be made via paypal to donations@mutts-in-distress.org.uk

Keely Robinson (Leaden Roding resident and volunteer for Mutts in Distress)