



Westcombe Park development, Heybridge: Langford Road roundabout construction

As you will have noticed (how could you possibly miss it?) as part of the ‘Westcombe Park’ development project in Heybridge, a new roundabout has been in the process of being constructed for some considerable time – well over a year now – next to Langford Road, just south of the old Langford rail bridge. This roundabout will connect to a new relief road, making it easier for drivers to bypass the centre of Heybridge by travelling between the B1022 Broad Street Green Road, and the B1018 Langford Road, crossing Maypole Road. Essex Highways inform us:

“Significant progress has already been made on building the relief road and roundabout. We anticipate the developer will be ready to carry out the final road connections to the roundabout in summer 2025. This will involve temporary traffic lights for about three weeks, followed by a full closure of Langford Road which is proposed from week commencing 21 July to early September, timed during the school holidays when traffic is usually lighter. During this period, the contractors will realign Langford Road and remove the old road. The extensive earthworks required during this phase account for the length of the closure required.

“Once the realignment has been completed, Langford Road will reopen, and shortly after, the roundabout will be fully operational. This will provide access to the entire length of the new Heybridge Relief Road, named Jubilee Way (B1020).

“The new route from Broad Street Green to Langford Road is expected to greatly reduce the current traffic issues in Heybridge and Maldon, making travel smoother and more efficient for everyone. [*Except, perhaps, dare we suggest, for those living in*

Langford—Ed.] Please be advised that these arrangements are provisional, with details being confirmed later in the programme.”

Sadly, it has been almost impossible to get further details out of the developers, despite several meetings, but some information is available on their webpage:

<http://www.essexhighways.org/maldon-schemes/westcombe-park-development-heybridge-maldon>

However, the fact that no work of any kind has been done on this roundabout for over two months has caused local residents great concern, and the closure of this vital, and very busy piece of road for the length of time proposed is causing anger as well, as if they had been working on it during these two months the timescale would have been much shorter. We have been told it is due to ‘Government and safety restrictions’!

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Editor's Note



Welcome to issue 42. I often hear friends bemoaning the fact that they no longer know who their neighbours are, and have no contact with them at all. How sad. Well, I can attest to having some wonderful neighbours, and due to this, six beautiful Parish Bouquets are being given out this issue and are very personal.

And the Parish Bouquets go to...



Ulting Lane neighbours John Ridgewell, James Meadows and Ian Hendry, and to Parish Councillor Lester Magness for dismantling, moving and re-assembling my concrete coal bunker on Easter Saturday morning. Lester remarked what good neighbours I have, and I couldn't agree more. So, take a bouquet each you

lovely people – I am SO grateful for your help. It is wonderful to know that the spirit of community is not dead in Langford! Another bouquet goes to Alan Marks, who not only keeps the green at Ulting Lane well mown, but is a great neighbour, pointing out that the bags of bark I had bought for my garden were very expensive, and took me up to the Landscaping Centre opposite Does in Ulting, to collect not one, but two trailer loads of bark. He also managed to get the holes at the end of Luards' drive filled when Highways were sorting the end of Ulting Lane. It is such a comfort to know that we have such fabulous neighbours. Guess what's in my coal bunker now... The sixth bouquet goes to Mike Chaplin of Witham Road. Mike noticed that my car had been parked in the church car park gateway for some hours, and popped in to the church to make sure I was alright. I was actually sorting some things for the Bric a Brac sale and he was my first customer. Thank you for your care and concern Mike. Do you have a neighbour you would like to nominate for a bouquet?

New Parish Clerk



Our new Parish Clerk, Mrs. Theresa Marietta Trotzer Wilson, took up her post in March of this year, and is proving to be a very valuable member of the team. She is extremely efficient and is keeping us all on our toes. It is

wonderful to have such a dynamic person on our team, and we hope she will be with us for a long time to come.

Places of Worship

St. Giles' Church, Maldon Road, Langford

Priest-in-Charge: Rev. Heather Atkinson – 07970 197152

1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays – Holy Communion, 5th Sundays – United Benefice Services. All services at 0930 (except United Benefice which will follow the service time of the church appointed).

For other services see notice on church door

All Saints Church, Church Road Ulting

Priest-in-Charge: Rev. Howard Schnaar – 07761 234165

Rev. Derek Clark – 01245 380627; 07860 235778

Services of Holy Communion at 0900 on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month; 2nd Sunday 0900 Morning Prayer; 4th Sunday 0900 Common Worship with Holy Communion. Morning Office every Wednesday at 0900

Everyone, of whatever persuasion, is very welcome at our services

We could have had Lord Byron's son as our MP!

The Hon. Frederick Byron (1822-1861) was the second son of the 7th Lord Byron, and became connected with Langford by his marriage to one of the heiresses of the Rev. William Wescomb, of Langford Grove, and the Rector of St. Giles' Church. He was educated at Westminster School, before going up to Balliol College, Oxford. While studying at Oxford, he made a single appearance in first-class cricket for Oxford University against the Marylebone Cricket Club at Oxford in 1841, batting twice in the match. He became a fellow at All Souls College in 1843.

After graduating from Oxford, he became a member of Lincoln's Inn and was called to the bar in 1848; and, on the occasion of a vacancy, he aspired to the representation of Maldon in the Conservative interest; but after having issued his address, withdrew rather than divide and imperil the interest of other parties. [*I wonder if such a noble gesture would be made by today's politicians?* – Ed]. Frederick was commissioned as a Lieutenant in the Sherwood Foresters in April 1850, and appointed as a Deputy-Lieutenant for Essex in September 1853. Sadly, he died unexpectedly in his bed on 4th April 1861 aged just 39, at his London residence, 48 Eaton Place. Interestingly, his two sons, by his marriage to Mary Jane Wescomb, became the 9th and 10th Lords Byron respectively, and the younger of the two – the Hon. Rev. Frederick Ernest Charles Byron – became Rector of St. Giles' Church, Langford from 1891-1914 when he took over as Vicar of Thrumpton in Nottinghamshire, and on the death of his elder brother in 1917, he became the 10th Lord Byron and took up residence in Thrumpton Hall until his death in 1946.

Langford & Ulting Parish Council

ACCOUNTS SUMMARY 2024/25

INCOME

2023/24		2024/25
12,085	Precept	13,500
0	Rent	2
365	Interest	364
5,591	Grants	0
1,478	VAT refund	1,331
63	SSE credit	0
19,582	TOTAL INCOME	15,197

EXPENDITURE

2023/24		2024/25
5,012	Administration	3,828
198	Election	0
555	Newsletter	555
4,379	Streetlights	555
489	Churchyards/Grass cutting	5,484
595	Tree work – closed churchyards	420
51	New dog bin	0
243	Community Engagement Team	297
1934	New noticeboard – Village Hall	0
1,373	VAT	1,335
14,829	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	12,474

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16,546	Balance at 1st April	21,299
19,582	Add Total Income	15,197
(14,829)	Less Total Expenditure	(12,474)
21,299	Balance at 31st March	24,022

Parish Council Precept

Parish Councils are funded principally by an annual precept. A budget is approved at the December 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 December 2024, councillors agreed a precept of £14,500 for 2025/26. 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 closed churchyards.

Parish Council Meetings

Don't forget, Parish Council meetings are held on a Tuesday evening once a month, starting at 7.30 p.m. and dates for these can be found on the Parish Council website: <https://e-voice.org.uk/langford-ulting/>

Chairman's Report 2024/25

Firstly, I must once again give a vote of thanks to everyone on the Parish Council for their sterling work in the past year. It was, as always, a delight to meet so many villagers and friends at the Bonfire night on 3rd November, and grateful thanks go to everyone who helped build the bonfire itself, and also organised the setting off of the fireworks – always a delight to watch.

The occupants of Ulting Lane were inconvenienced for three weeks while the entrance from the B1019 was (finally) investigated for all the flooding that we have endured. This meant a long trek through Ulting (to access Chelmsford) or Hoe Mill (to access Maldon) and, being a very narrow lane, meant that there were several 'close call' incidents where oncoming traffic, often going far too fast, meant difficulties in passing. Thankfully things have returned to normal after they found five leaks under the road, and we await to see if the works have really done the trick.

In March we welcomed our new Parish Clerk, Theresa Trotzer Wilson, and she is proving to be a very valuable member of the team. I would like to pass on grateful thanks to John Clemo who stood in as temporary clerk after our previous clerk, Justine Atterbury, had to relinquish the post. Just when he thought he had left the Parish Council behind after stepping down as a Councillor himself. I would also like to record grateful thanks to everyone who took part in the Litter Pick on 29th March. We were joined by our new Parish Clerk and her daughter which was a great delight. Sadly, although some parts of the villages seemed to have less litter, other parts had more, and the bags weren't really man enough to take all the bumpers, wing mirrors and other car parts that we seem to collect each year.

The Art Show this year was again great success, and grateful thanks must be passed on to the organisers who did such a great job, and to everyone who helped in any capacity – from car parking to making the tea [see page 3 for more details].

Thanks are due once again, 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 should also mention the arrival of the new Lord of Ulting, John Wright, who will be visiting us again in July. John hopes to meet everyone at a tea party in Langford & Ulting Village Hall, and to get to know more of us [see page 3 for more details].

Finally, I would like to record my own thanks to those members of the public who attend and take an interest in what goes on in our communities. It can often be a lonely task being a Parish Councillor, and one that is often misunderstood as the public can sometimes over-estimate our powers. However, with the limited ones that we do have, we aim to do our best for the communities that we serve, so thank you all for your support.

Irene Allen

[For those unable to attend the meeting I was re-elected Chairman for 2025-2026, so thank you for that]

The Art Show

This year we had another great Art Show which raised £1,776.53 for Village Hall funds. Grateful thanks to everyone who helped in any way, and especially to those new faces who came to support us.

Fifty pictures were sold, thirty-one folios and eight card packs. We had great weather so a lot of happy visitors (some not so happy volunteers who wanted to be in their gardens!) but we were all grateful that the days ended at 4 p.m. instead of the usual 5 p.m. Sadly, this may well have been the last Art Show unless someone would like to step forward and take it on?



Litter Pick – 29th March 2025

Grateful thanks go to all those who came and helped at the litter pick. It never ceases to amaze me that people feel it is their right to discard their litter wherever they choose. We were always brought up that that was not allowed. When did common manners become a thing of the past I wonder?



The team (minus Colin Ashby the photographer!)

An invitation to tea with the Lord of the Manor of Ulting – Sunday 13th July



The new Lord of the Manor of Ulting, John Wright, from Knoxville, Tennessee, will be visiting us again from the 4th to the 18th of July, this time with his wife and daughters, and is inviting everyone in our two villages to meet with him over afternoon tea in the Village Hall. This will be held from 1.30 – 4.30 on Sunday 13th July, and it would be wonderful if as many as can make it would come and meet him – we will keep

everything crossed for a dry sunny day. There are sandwiches to cover everyone's dietary requirements, and wonderful cakes, with unlimited tea and coffee.

John is a very bubbly, warm man, with a passion for heraldry, who has taken to our little area and wants to learn more about its history and inhabitants. So do put this date in your diary, and we look forward to seeing you then.

Remember when we had a railway line?



For those of you old enough to remember, we used to have a railway line that ran from Maldon to Witham. It was opened in 1848 and was 5¾ miles (9 km) long. It was extended to Woodham Ferris (later Woodham Ferrers) to give direct access to Southend-on-Sea, but that extension was not commercially successful, and was closed to passenger traffic in 1939 and completely shut in 1953.

The original main line from Maldon to Witham also declined in passenger carryings; efforts to stimulate business included the introduction of low-cost diesel railbuses and a more intensive passenger service, but this proved to be in vain, and the passenger service was withdrawn in 1964. A residual goods service continued until 1966 when the line was completely closed.

After its closure, and the lines were taken up, this route became the Blackwater Rail Trail. It is a lovely walk now, so if you haven't done it, do give it a try. Also, if you're interested, there is a brilliant piece of silent film of a train journey from Witham to Maldon which takes in the two busy little halts at Wickham Bishops and Langford. This is currently on show at Maldon Museum in the Park, and is well worth seeing. There is also a video on Youtube.com entitled "Rediscovering the Maldon Branch Lines" which shows what is left of what was once a wonderful railway.

Although Maldon MP Sir John Whittingdale suggested that the line might be re-opened, as parts of it were bought by local landowners the moment it closed, and converted into gardens or agricultural land, this was, sadly, never really a realistic option, however much we would have liked it. But, it is a very nice walk, and the station platform was carefully and tastefully restored thanks to the 'Friends of the Flich Way' in the spring of 2017 with an information board for visitors.

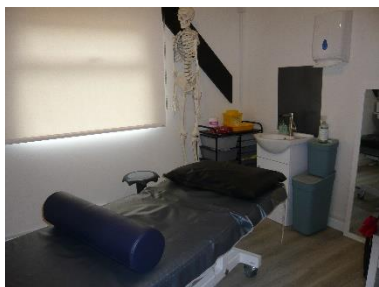


Business in Focus... Ulting Elite Soft Tissue Therapy



Sonia Frew is a bright, bubbly person with a great aim in life – to make other people's lives better. She says "After taking up long distance running later in life, I was introduced to the benefits of sports massage. I decided to retrain after finding

a course on the NLSSM [*Sports Massage* – Ed] website which took me to the highest qualification in remedial massage, BTEC level 5 in sports and remedial therapy. I found a passion I never knew I had to help heal and rehabilitate injuries and all soft tissue complaints. Over time I have added to my qualifications in order to do the best I can for my clients, dry needling, acupuncture, pregnancy massage, and oncology massage." Sonia has been working from Chelmsford since 2016, but since



moving to Sugar Mill Cottages, Ulting, she has set up her practice centre in a cart lodge just down the road from her house. She specialises in pain relief, chronic illness and sports conditions,

but also deals with cancer treatments where the medication is aggressive and she is able to give the body a rest from pain. Her therapies can include dry needling (where needles go directly into the muscles using agitation and electrical stimulus which work from the inside) and acupuncture (which uses the same needles, but are inserted just under the skin on the lines of meridian in the body, often where manual massage can't be used). She is keen to point out that her massage therapies are not just for relaxation, although of course can help, but are mainly for pain relief. Her opening hours are Tuesday-Friday 0800-2000, and Saturday 1000-1800 with one day a week in Chelmsford. She also works at a chiropractor on a Monday. Prices are £55 for a 45-minute session after a consultation to decide what needs to be done. She says: "I am a member of the SMA as such I undertake over 30 hours of continued professional development every year to keep up to date with new techniques, and a registrant of CNHC, a government-led professional body which allows me to take referrals from medical professions, a big leap forward for our industry. I still run and support my local club as much as possible, and love pottering in the garden, walking the dogs and chatting over a cup of tea!" For more details visit www.elitetherapist.com or to book an appointment contact her on sonia@elitetherapist.com.

If I get any chronic pain in the future, she will be the one I will be visiting, and it's right on our doorstep.



New Priest-in-Charge for St. Andrew, Hatfield Peverel with All Saints, Ulting



On Monday 19th May, in a splendid service at St Andrew's, the Revd. Howard Schnaar was Licensed as Priest-in-Charge of the Parish of St. Andrew, Hatfield Peverel with All Saints, Ulting by the Bishop of Colchester, the Rt. Revd. Roger Morris. He was then installed by Canon Philip Ritchie as the Archdeacon of Stansted, the Venerable Kate Peacock, was unable to attend. Refreshments with bubbles were served in the Church Hall afterwards.

Stay Connected – Join the Langford and Ulting Facebook Group!

Want to stay connected with everything happening in our villages? From local events and news and helpful recommendations, our Langford and Ulting Facebook Group is the place to be.

It's a friendly space to share, ask questions, and support each other. Scan the QR code to join. If you are unable to use the scan service, connect using the (rather long code) below. The URL to share



is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/3183565545204037/>

Do join us and be kept informed.

Do you have a story to share?

It is a great privilege to be Editor of this little newsletter, and I am always very grateful when people tell me how much they enjoy it. But do you have a story of your own to tell about Langford or Ulting, or the people that you have encountered? I keep finding wonderful things when I am researching various aspects of our village life, but it would be wonderful to have other voices and experiences as well. Some of you have written in with stories and anecdotes and I have been delighted to print them, but I am sure there are more stories out there waiting to be shared. I will consider anything you may have (as long as it isn't inflammatory or scandalous as that may result in a libel case!) However, I am sure you only have lovely stories to tell, so do let me have some of your reminiscences of life in our two villages.

Did you know...?

John William Strutt (1842-1919)

John William Strutt, was born on 12th November 1842 at Langford Grove, son of John James Strutt, the 2nd Baron Rayleigh, and Clara Elizabeth La Touche Vicars.



His grandfather, Joseph Holden Strutt, a Colonel in the Army, and afterwards a member of parliament for Maldon from 1790-1826, was offered a Baronetcy, but asked instead that it be conferred on his wife, as he felt such a title would possibly interfere with his parliamentary duties. This was duly done, but his wife

predeceased him, and the title went to his son John James – which led to a falling out between father and son, and John was not allowed to live within 8 miles of the family home, Terling Place. Consequently, John and his wife moved to Langford Grove in 1842 and John William Strutt was born the same year, but he was baptised in All Saints Church, Terling, by Rev. W. Gooday, Vicar, on 1st January 1843.

Throughout his infancy and youth, he was of frail physique; his education was repeatedly interrupted by ill-health, and his prospects of attaining maturity seemed precarious. After a short spell at Eton College at the age of 10, mainly spent in the school sanatorium, three years in a private school at Wimbledon and another short stay at Harrow School, he finally spent four years with the Rev. George Townsend Warner (1857) who took pupils at Torquay.

In 1861 he entered Trinity College, Cambridge, where he studied mathematics. Although he was well behind his contemporaries, his exceptional abilities soon enabled him to overtake them. He graduated in the Mathematical Tripos and a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1865, and a Master of Arts in 1868. He was subsequently elected to a Fellowship of Trinity – a post he held until his marriage to Evelyn Balfour, daughter of James Maitland Balfour, in 1871, with whom he had three sons.

A severe attack of rheumatic fever in 1872 made him spend the winter in Egypt and Greece. Shortly after his return, his father died in 1873, he succeeded to the barony, taking up residence in the family seat, Terling Place. He now found himself compelled to devote part of his time to the management of his estates (some 7,000 acres). The combination of general scientific knowledge and acumen with acquired knowledge of agriculture made his practice in estate management in many respects in advance of his time. Nevertheless, in 1876 he left the entire management of the land to his younger brother. He was elected Fellow of the Royal Society on 12th June 1873.

From then on, he could devote his full time to science again. He became the second Cavendish Professor of Physics at the University of Cambridge (following

James Clerk Maxwell), from 1879 to 1884. He first described dynamic soaring by seabirds in 1883, in the British Journal *Nature*, and from 1887 to 1905 he was Professor of Natural Philosophy at the Royal Institution.

In 1884 he left Cambridge to continue his experimental work at his country seat in Terling. He established a laboratory in the west wing, which remains to this day. Indeed, he used apparatus from this laboratory to isolate argon in the cellar of Terling Place in 1894 for which, in 1904, he was awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics “...for his investigations of the densities of the most important gases and for his discovery of argon in connection with these studies.”

During the Great War, he was president of the Government’s Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, which was located at the National Physical Laboratory in Teddington, which had been founded in 1900.

He served as President of the Royal Society from 1905 to 1908, and from time to time he participated in the House of Lords; however, he spoke up only if politics attempted to become involved in science. He served for six years as President of a Government Committee on Explosives, and from 1896 to 1919 he was Scientific Advisor to Trinity House, and was Lord Lieutenant of Essex from 1892 to 1901.



He was also Chancellor of the University of Cambridge from 1908 to 1919. In that latter year he also served as President of the Society for Psychical Research. Among his other attributes, he was a Justice of the Peace and the recipient of many honorary science and law degrees. He was an original recipient of the Order of Merit (1902), and in 1905 he was made a Privy Councillor. He was awarded the Copley, Royal and Mumford Medals of the Royal Society, as well as his Nobel Prize in 1904.

He died on 30th June, 1919 aged 76, at Terling Place, and was buried in All Saints Churchyard, Terling on 4th July by Rev. Charles Boutflower, Leonard H. Sheffield, and John Edwin, Bishop of Chelmsford. A memorial plaque (shown below) was later installed in the church.

Sir William Ramsay, his co-worker in the investigation of argon, described him as “the greatest man alive”, and it was also said “no man ever showed less consciousness of great genius.” High praise indeed. We are very proud that he was born in Langford, although sad that his birthplace is no longer the wonderful building that it was when he was born.



News from St. Giles' Church, Langford



Things seem to have been (thankfully) a lot quieter recently, but we had a lovely afternoon tea and concert on Saturday 17th May when the 'Camerata Singers' came to entertain us. As the sun

was shining for us, and the weather was hot, our afternoon tea (with more cake than anyone could reasonably be expected to consume) was held outside in the graveyard at the front of the church, and we all retired indoors for the concert. We raised £180 on the day which will be shared between the church and the singers, and we are very grateful to them for coming to sing for us.

We have begun a big clear-out of the boiler room (where the old turtle stove was housed which used to heat the church in days gone by) and other 'hidey-holes,' including the underfloor vents that used to channel the heat from the turtle stove into the building. There are many things in these places that currently have no other place to be stored. Early church builders did not take into consideration the mass of 'stuff' that modern day churches contain or, indeed, the needs of the congregations in the form of toilets. However, we in St. Giles' do have a toilet, and are now planning the re-purposing of the boiler house to take in all those things that don't need to be in the worshipping space. With that in mind, we are holding a 'Bric-a-brac' sale in June for the restoration fund, to enable work to begin at last on renewing the tiles on the spire, getting the bells back in action, renewing the heating and lighting systems in church and, (hopefully) getting the interior re-decorated as well. More on this in the next issue, although I would like, at this point to give very grateful thanks to friends and neighbours who have contributed items for the sale, their time and energy in helping to set up and actually run the day itself.

Another new addition, still in the pipeline as they say, is the provision of a rail at the north door so that those coming from the car park can access the rather awkward and challenging steps into the church. We are also seeking permission to remove the barrier of earth between the car park and the Langford Hall fence which would enable far more cars to park there on event and service days which would be a great help, and would also enable the car park to be kept clear of weeds as so many grow on this mound.

We had hoped to have more events in the summer, but with the upcoming closure of the Langford Road over the railway bridge between July and September, it is feared that many people would be put off all the diversions, so we will renew our fundraising efforts in the autumn.

If you have never visited St. Giles' before, do come along and see what you're missing. If you would like a guided tour, I will be very happy to oblige. Irene.

News from All Saints Church, Ulting

After much deliberation, our regular organist, Barbara Mason, needs to reduce her workload on Sundays, so will only now play on the fourth one and some occasional services like weddings and baptisms. We give



grateful thanks for all Barbara has done and will continue to do, and send all good wishes for a less stressful future, and look forward to her fourth Sundays. Fortunately, I have been able to find two other organists who are willing to fill the post – Gordon Leonard now plays on the second and third and, when appropriate, the fifth Sunday in the month, leaving Paul Strong to cover the first Sunday. Paul has commitments at All Saints, Springfield, where he is Director of Music, with a very substantial choir. This has brought All Saints, Ulting a bonus in that Paul now brings five singers with him on the first Sunday, which has the benefit of them leading the hymns and singing an anthem after communion. There has been nothing but positive feedback on this, and some have noted how moving the anthems are, so we are very grateful. I am sure there was some point in history of a choir at All Saints, but I haven't yet found anyone who can recall one.

The usual services have resumed now that my broken ankle is mended, the main service of the year – Easter – is for me very moving and this year was no exception with almost 50 people in attendance. It is now known as the 'Sunrise Eucharist,' sunrise being about 6 a.m. but due to the distance some of the congregation travel, time is kept to the usual 9 a.m. The service starts outside the church where a new fire is lit, and a light is then taken from this to light a new pastoral candle which is then processed into the church while we are all singing 'Jesus Christ is Risen Today.' As people enter the church, they take a light from the pastoral candle to light their own candle to signify the light of Christ coming into the church. Naturally, Olive is on hand after the service with offerings of hot cross buns etc. There were three weddings booked for May and June, but the guest list for two of them became far too much for All Saints, and have been moved to the bigger church of St. Andrew's where up to 250 can be accommodated.

We are looking forward to July 5th-18th when John Wright, the Lord of the Manor of Ulting, will be the guest speaker at the Sunday Services during his stay to tell us about his family, life in America, his connection with Ulting and Hatfield Peverel, life in the military, occupation now as a chemical engineer and, of course, by no means least, his Christian journey of faith.

Hopefully when you read this article, we may have some information on the dangerous monolith tree, which has a fence around it and is taking up most of the car park!

With loving prayers and blessings.

Rev. Derek



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Gentle Pilates for those with chronic pain

Tuesdays: 10 a.m.; 11 a.m. Gentle yoga for

the not so bendy. Ladies only.

Rainbows (age 5-7), Brownies (age 7-10)

and Guides (10-14) meet at the hall during term time

on Tuesdays. Enquirers can register their

daughters' details on the Girlguiding website:

[www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/)

[register-your-daughter/](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/)

Scottish Dancing – every 2nd & 4th Thursday

10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Contact: diana.rogers2@btinternet.com

Community Speedwatch Group

Contact: Carly Truman carlyl Truman@gmail.com

St. John Ambulance

Fridays: 7 p.m.-9 p.m. 17 year olds, 8 p.m.-

10 p.m. adults. Contact: Edward Hennis

Edward.hennis1sja.org.uk

Glenn Mayes, Toastmaster & Independent Celebrant

4 Brockley Cottages, Ulting, CM9 6QX

(Tel: 01245 381577 /07826 339498)

www.east-anglia-toastmaster.com eastangliatoastmaster@gmail.com

Businesses

C.J. Ashby Forestry Ltd, Willow Barn, Witham Road, Langford,

CM9 4ST. Email: cj@ashby.co.uk

Beechenlea Maintenance Limited, Fairwinds, Crouchmans Farm

Road, Ulting CM9 6QS [Tel: 01245 381505/Fax: 01245 381835

Mob: 07473 705774 Email: james.sadler@beechenlea.com

Vegetation management, grounds maintenance, arboriculture, fencing, construction. www.beechenlea.com

Maypole Clinic: Maypole Clinic [Osteopath] Unit 3, The Barns, Howells

Farm Offices, Maypole Road, Langford, CM9 4SY (Tel: 01621 850111)

info@maypolehealth.co.uk; www.maypolehealth.co.uk

CML Microsystems Oval Park, Langford, CM9 6WG

(Tel: 01621 875500; Fax: 01621 875606) group@cmlmicroplc.com

www.cmlmicroplc.com

Ernest Doe & Sons Limited, Ulting, CM9 6QH

(Tel: 01245 380311), www.ernestdoe.com

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Langford, CM9 6QA (Tel: 01245 491234)

www.eswater.co.uk

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Jeanette Gribble (Tel: 01621 842132); maeldunjoinery@outlook.com

Jason Anderson Roofing, Birch Cottage, Maldon Road, Langford, CM9

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www.j-anderson-roofingandupvc.co.uk

Kevin Gribble, Joiner

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Mill House Hotel, Maldon Road, Langford, CM9 4SS

(Tel: 01621 841518) info@millhousemaldon.co.uk

www.millhousemaldon.co.uk

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(Tel: 01245 381461)

R. Pipe Insurance, Langford Lee & 83 High Street, Maldon CM9 5EP

(Tel: 01621 85566) www.roypipeinsurance.co.uk

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Palmer's Property Maintenance Ltd, 3 Little Mills Cottages, Maldon

Road, Ulting, CM9 6PZ. Contact: Danny Palmer

(Tel: 01245 332233 / 07754 587477)

A Tail of 4 Paws, 9 Ulting Lane, Langford, CM9 6QB

(Tel: 07548 866025) www.atailof4paws.co.uk

Core Health Physio, Sarah Crosby Physiotherapist – Home visits

(Tel: 01245 801218 /07525 042529) sarah@corehealthphysio.com

Museum of Power, Hatfield Road, Langford, CM9 6QA

(Tel: 016221 843183) enquiries@museumofpower.org.uk

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Allen's Arrans, hand knitting for all. Commissions taken.

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