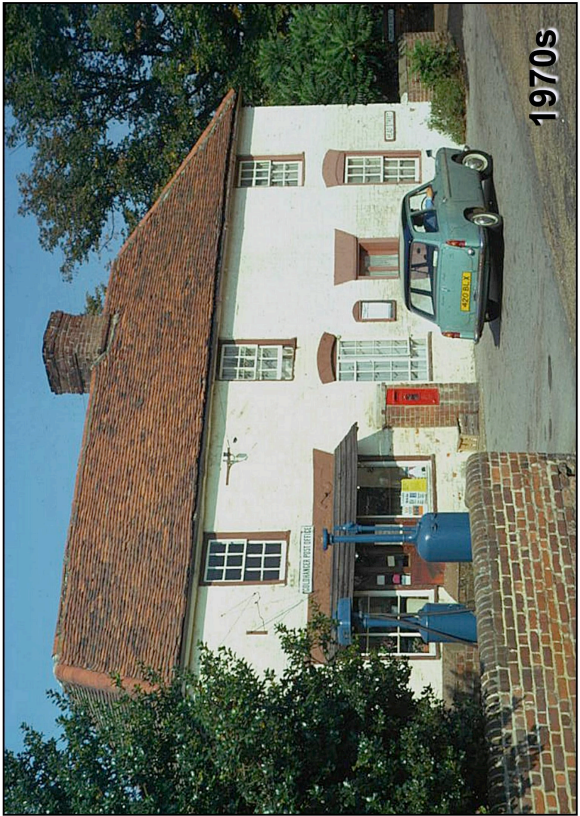
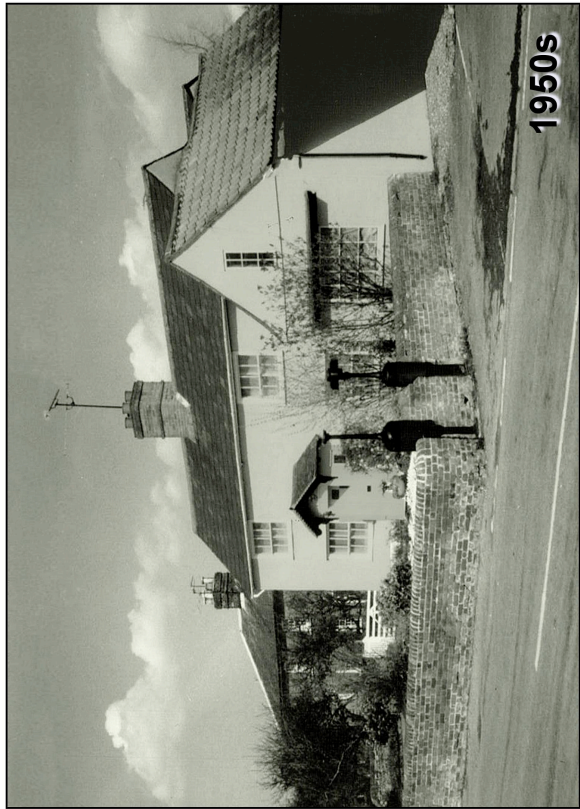
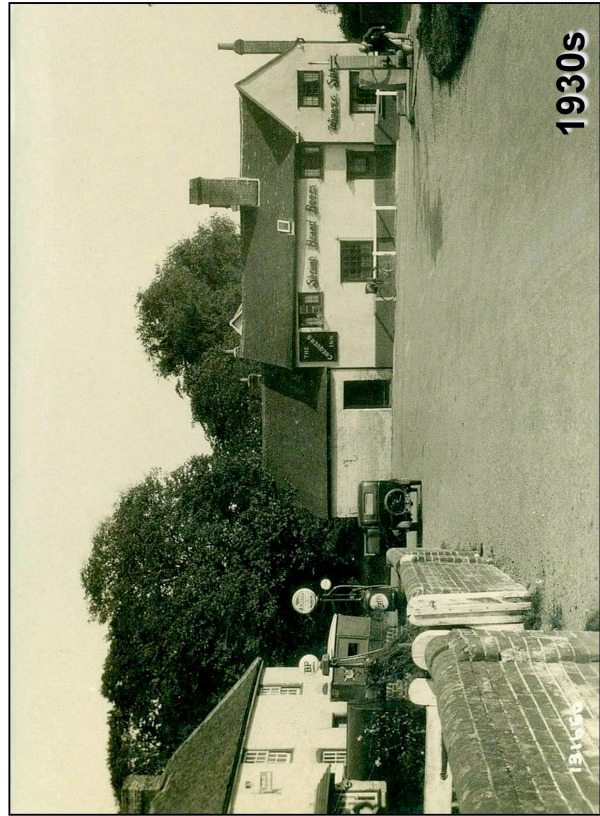
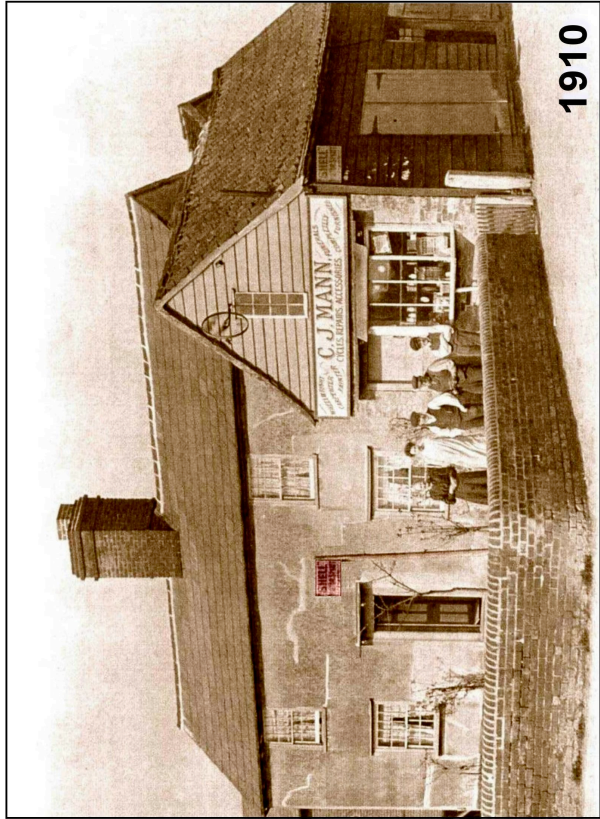


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All articles (ideally in PDF or plain text) to be submitted by midnight on the 15th of February, and advertising (including For Sale and Wanted) by midnight on the 13th of February please. Please contact the editors if you have any questions about your article.

Magazine Editors: Stephen & Chris 788369
parishmag@goldhanger.org.uk

Advertising (for Emma advertising@goldhanger.org.uk
Magazine & Goldhanger
Website)

For Sale or Wanted - To list your items in the magazine the minimum donation is £1 per advert. If you would like to donate more it would always be welcome.

Please note: We cannot guarantee the delivery date of your magazine. Please bear this in mind when advertising functions at the beginning of the month.

This magazine is run entirely by volunteers and relies on donations and advertising to fund it. It costs approximately £1 per issue to produce. We print about 350 copies each month.

Donations can be made at any time. Cheques made payable to **Goldhanger Parish Magazine** please - or you can go to the Goldhanger website and make a donation online.

Current and previous issues of the magazine are available in glorious technicolour from the Goldhanger website at: www.goldhanger.org.uk.

Goldhanger Correspondent

If you have any news articles about the village for inclusion in the Maldon & Burnham Standard and the Essex Chronicle.

Contact:

Kaye Shrubb

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kaye.shrubb1937@gmail.com



The Two Goldhanger Filling Stations

The village has had two petrol filling stations in the past. The earlier one was in The Square and was operated by the Mann family. Early photographs are shown on the cover. The mechanical pumps were installed in 1926, before then their general store sold the fuel in 2-gallon cans. The 1930s photo shows the globes were offering both BP and Pratts fuels. There was no mains electricity in the village until much later, so the globes were never illuminated, but then they were probably not open in the dark.

The business moved just around the corner into Church St. in the late 1930s and is shown on the photos below. The earliest photo shows the corrugated iron ex-military hut but has no indication of a petrol pump or sign. By the 1940s a “flying Lady” National Benzole sign can be seen. Several other petrol brands were sold there over the years culminating with the “Bulldog” brand. The last proprietor closed down the business and built a pair of cottages on the site, but kept the iconic sign for several years!



1930s



1940s



1960s



1990s

For more about lost village features search for: *goldhanger lost past*
<http://www.churchside1.plus.com/Goldhanger-past/Goldhanger%20Lost.htm>

David Newman

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Ladies Kickboxing every Tuesday 6-7pm

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Karate every Thursday 6-8pm

Parish Council second Wednesday of the month 7:30-9:30pm

Art Club second Thursday of the month 2-4pm

Catherine 01621 788488, <http://goldhangerartclub.co.uk>

Film Club third Wednesday of the month (*except July and August*), doors open 7pm, film 7:30pm

see advert for details

Village Hall Bookings

Contact Jackie Christy on 788432 or:
<http://www.goldhangervillagehall.co.uk/bookings/#form>

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Facebook: [Goldhanger Village Hall](#)

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	18.00 - 23.00	£17	£20
Saturday-Sunday	9.00 - 18.00	£17	£20
	18.00 - 23.00	£22	£27

Community Page

Goldhanger Sailing Club www.goldhangersailingclub.org.uk

All types of sailing, including sailboarding and canoeing, with racing organised on Sundays during the season, there is something for everyone who loves the water.

Stamps for the Hospice

Your used stamps can be dropped in to the Hospice shops in Maldon or the Bentalls Centre in Heybridge.

Maldon District Council Monthly Surgeries

1st Saturday of the month at the Queens Head Tolleshunt D'Arcy. from 12 noon to 1pm.

Meet Tolleshunt D'arcy and Tollesbury Ward Councillors and/or raise issues or problems relating to local council matters.

Bellringing www.bellringing.org/learntoring/

Every Wednesday 7:30pm - 9:30pm and for services on Sundays. Newcomers welcome.

Contact Andrew Kelso 788284 or email arckelso@mac.com.

Mother's Union

4th Friday of each month at 1.45pm at Honywood Hall, Hall Road, Great Totham.

Coffee mornings

Community Room at St. Peter's Church on Tuesdays between 11am and 12noon. Everyone is welcome. Pop along, bring your friends, and have a chat over coffee.

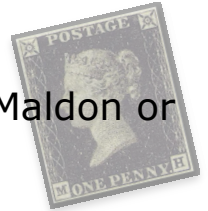
Wednesday lunchtime Picnic Service

For Parents and toddlers. Last Wednesday of the month in term time. St. Peter's Church.

Shanties in the Pub

Billiards room at the Chequers every other Tuesday (from 12th October) from 7pm.

Just join in the responses or take a lead as you wish. Ooo-Aaaar!



Pink recycling and green waste food bags

These can be collected 15 minutes before each Parish Council meeting.
Parish Council meetings are usually every 2nd Wednesday of the month and start at 7.30pm

(Check the Village Hall website or notice board in the square for any changes to usual dates.)

These bags are also available at other locations like the library, and information is on the Maldon District Website.

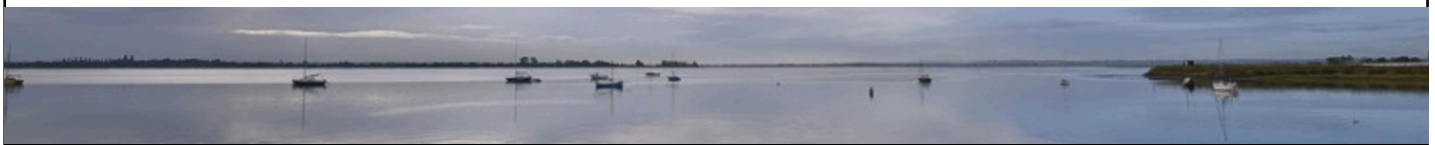
Many thanks
Julia Bourn - GPC Chair



Tide Times

<https://www.goldhanger.org.uk/index.html>

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Please email advertising@goldhanger.org.uk.

Many thanks to Emma for all her work and we wish you well for the future.

The current price list for greyscale printing in the magazine.

Page Size	Full Cost	Early payment rate	Six months	Per month rate
Full	£170	£160	£90	£16
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Online adverts on our website remain at £15 for the year. Full colour adverts can be used and will link back to your own website.

For all advertising enquiries: advertising@goldhanger.org.uk

Goldhanger Village Hall Kitchen Project

After lots of hard work fundraising the Village Hall Committee are ready to set a date in January to start the Kitchen refurbishment

We are hoping to finish the work by mid February

If anyone is interested in the old kitchen units please contact Anton on 788538

A big thank you to the Village for all of their support for the Village Hall and the Committee in their efforts to improve the building

Anton - Chair GVH



Goldhanger Church Services

Sunday 7th January The Epiphany

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

Sunday 14th January Epiphany 2, Plough Sunday

10.00am Family Service.

Sunday 21st January Epiphany 3

9.30am Parish Communion (BCP)

Sunday 28th January Epiphany 4

11.00am Benefice Service at Tollesbury

No service at Goldhanger

On-line Sunday services can be found at:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/news-and-media/church-online/weekly-online-services>

Morning Prayer on YouTube on Wednesdays and Fridays both at 10.00am.

Jo Lacey has started offering Evening Prayer once a month on YouTube.

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/6651/> or

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/6657>

Weekday Holy Communion Services

Weekday Holy Communion service from The Book of Common Prayer

Every Wednesday at St Nicholas, Tolleshunt D'Arcy at 10.00am

And every Saturday at All Saints, Little Totham at 5.30pm

Please get in touch with Lizzie Armour or the churchwardens if you are considering baptism for yourself or your children, confirmation, and weddings Please contact Rev'd Tracey for funeral arrangements.

Parish Prayers

If you would like someone, an event or concern included in church prayers please contact Kim Evans or George Bunting. Votive candles are lit at Sunday Services.

Raise free donations for Goldhanger church through Easyfundraising

All you need to do is:

1. Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpeterschurchgoldhanger> and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, log in to www.easyfundraising.org.uk first to find the retailer you want and start shopping.
3. After you've made your purchase, the retailer will make a donation to the church at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

Thank you for your support. Please contact Lizzie Armour, for any queries or help.

St. Peter's Church Goldhanger

Priest in Charge of the Blackwater Benefice*

Reverend Tracey Caswell 07742 999 633
blackwaterbenefice@gmail.com

Associate Priests

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suegodsmark@aol.com

Reverend Sarah Clare 07762 840905 / 01621 868819
sarahclare9@gmail.com

Reverend Andrew Vince 01621 868415
andrew.vince15@gmail.com

Church Wardens:

Mr George Bunting 01621 929690
gvbunting@gmail.com

Mrs B Abrey

Benefice Administrator

Lizzie Armour 07908776750
office.blackwaterbenefice@gmail.com

(Please contact Lizzie if you wish to book, a wedding, baptism etc. She is available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Messages left at other times during the week will be responded to at regular intervals)

Church flowers

Mrs Elaine Clark 788686
elaclark@me.com

* Goldhanger, Little Totham & Great Totham and Tollesbury, Salcott, Tolleshunt D'Arcy and Tolleshunt Major

St. Peter's Goldhanger website: www.st-peters-church.goldhanger.org.uk

No Flags for January



Goldhanger defibrillators

We have 2 defibs each housed in the old phone boxes; Maldon Road and in the Square.

Should you need to access either of these in an emergency the code is available by dialling 999.

The Chequers pub have the number behind the bar if you don't have a mobile phone, or the signal is poor and you can't get through.

Often residents are asked to retrieve the defib by ambulance crews.

Remember when going to either phone box take your mobile phone and if it is dark a torch is useful.

Once the defib enclosure door is open there is a mechanical torch inside and a high vis vest if required.

Don't be nervous about using these in an emergency, they guide you through by voice prompts. I have found an American video for our type of unit (or very similar) and its 2 minutes long, (after the adverts) so it will not take long to feel confident should you need to use it in an emergency.

Cut and paste this into your search bar

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HG9Ndi0HELY>

Our Defibs are "lifeline view" DCF-E2310

Any residents who would particularly like to know the code are welcome to have it, just contact me.

Julia bourn

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Happy New Year & Goodbye!

To those of you who will be reading this in January Happy New Year! To those of you reading it in February I hope your new year has started well. To all I bid you a fond farewell.

This is the last time I will be writing the Ministry Team Message as I leave the Blackwater Benefice early in February. I am writing at the beginning of December so it still seems a way off yet, particularly with Christmas in between, but I'm sure moving day will soon come round and I will be waving goodbye to the seven villages that have been my home for nearly the last four years. How quickly that time has flown past and how much has happened during that time, both to the Benefice as a whole and to me personally.

When I started in May 2020 we were in Covid lockdown and I wasn't even living in the Benefice as we were unable to move in until the November. Thank heavens for modern technology which enabled me to connect with so many of you even from afar.

In August 2020 I married David in St. Nicholas' Church, Tolleshunt D'Arcy. The Church Wardens provided a "guard of honour" archway for us to walk through as we left the church, by holding up their Warden's Wands in place of the usual swords! It was a perfect day even though we were limited to just 30 guests.

Alongside the pandemic came the task of joining together 7 parishes who had not previously shared a Vicar and didn't really want to! Not the easiest of tasks but one which I felt God had particularly called me to accomplish. I couldn't have done it without the support of the congregations and I think my greatest legacy here is the Blackwater Benefice itself.

I have been welcomed by not just the members of my congregations but by everyone I've met across the 7 villages during my time here. Each village has its own unique personality and each one is a joy in its own special way. I will miss you all and take many fond memories away with me.

I did not expect to be leaving so soon! I thought I would stay here for many more years but God had other plans! I've learnt over the years that it's best to say "yes" when God calls even if it is unexpected or seems a bit scary. Faith

means being willing to say “yes” to God and to follow in his footsteps wherever they lead. Sometimes the path ahead is clear, but sometimes He only lights the next couple of steps and that’s when we *really* have to step out in faith. I can honestly say that following God is never boring! It isn’t always easy, but He always provides what we need for the journey.

Will 2024 be the year when you say “yes” to God? What will that “yes” look like for you? Perhaps you know exactly where God wants to lead you, you just need to start the journey. Or perhaps you think you might have an inkling, but you need to talk it over with someone else first. Or maybe God has never figured much in your life and for you saying “yes” means actually welcoming Him into your life for the first time.

God can enable us to do amazing things, that we would never have thought we were capable of. He can use us to touch the lives of others in ways that would never have occurred to us. We just have to let Him.

My parting prayer for each one of you is that this year you will say “yes” to God and allow Him to use *you* to bless your part of the Blackwater Benefice in the years to come.

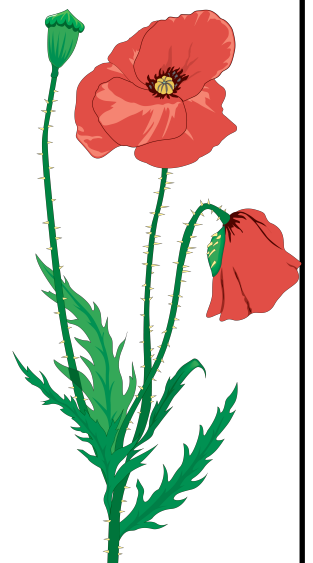
Poppy appeal – November 2023

The local Tollesbury branch of Royal British Legion would like to thank everyone in Goldhanger who donated to the poppy appeal.

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Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start

£7 pay on the door (card or cash)

Plenty of parking behind the hall / lifts available from the village if required,
contact Jill 788738 or Debbie 788709

21 Feb 2024: The Miracle Club

Proceeds in support of the
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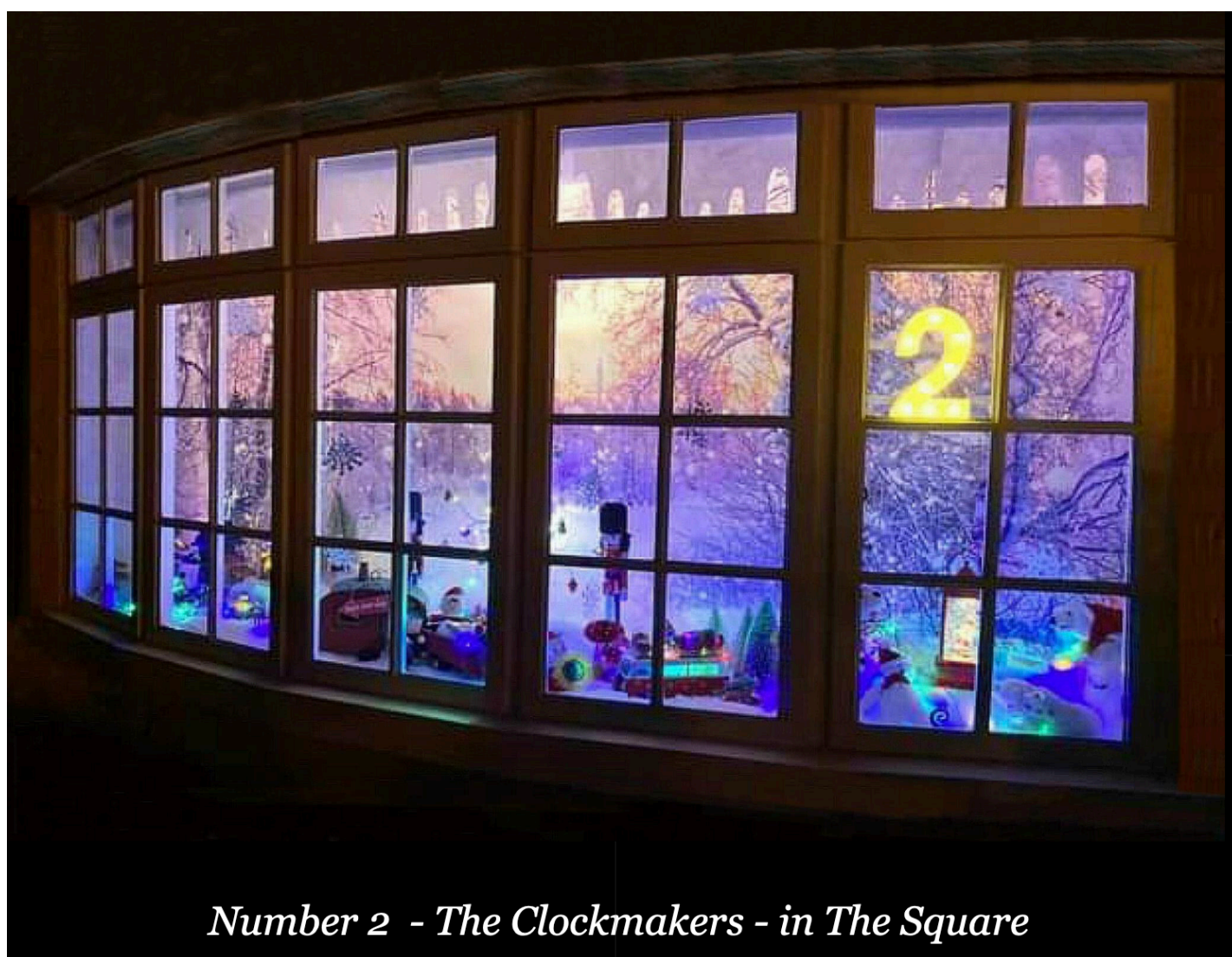
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The Village Hall "Window"





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Saturday 10th February

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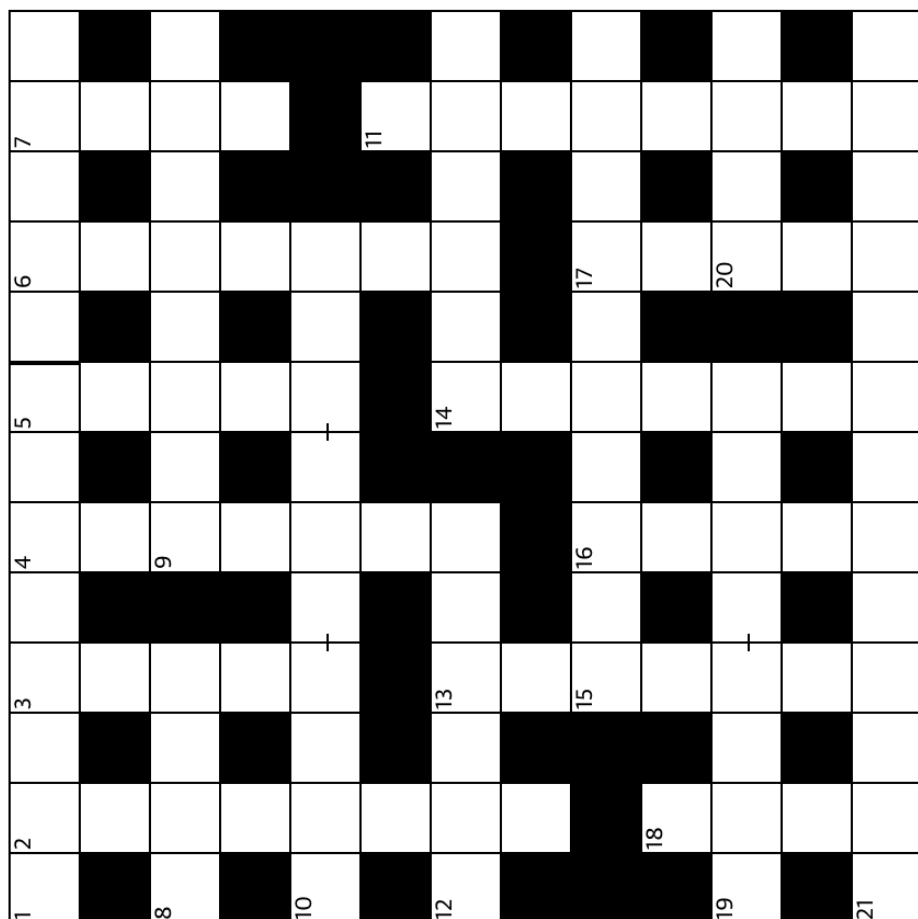
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 8 Based on fact (4)
 9 Slow and deliberate (8)
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 15 Where plants are grown under glass (10)
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 20 Steam, bubble or bird? (4)
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- 2 Where photos may be developed (8)
 3 French pancake (5)
 4 Drum (7)
 5 Exciting situation (5)
 6 In the normal course of events (7)
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 11 Unnaturally high voice (8)
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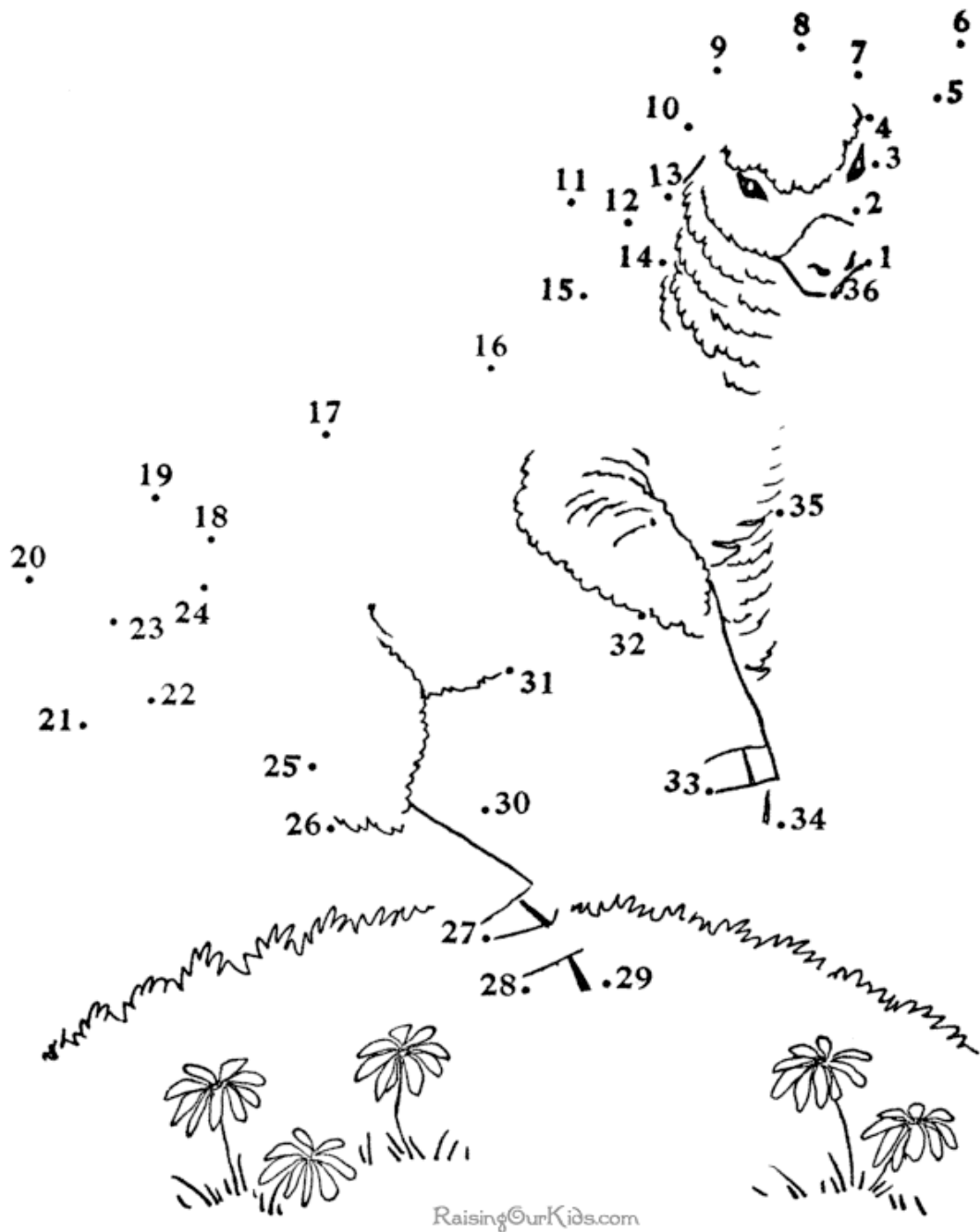
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bananas



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Children's Pages

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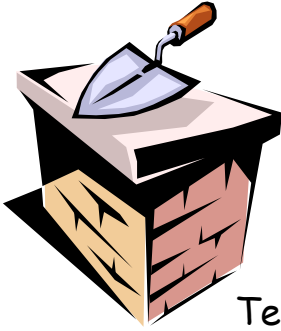
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Recipe of the month

Tomato, chickpea and pasta soup

This cheap, quick and easy soup is based on an Italian classic: Pasta e ceci.

Serves 2

Time Preparation less than 30 minutes, cook 10 to 30 minutes

Ingredients

1 tbsp extra virgin olive oil, plus extra for drizzling
2 large garlic cloves, thinly sliced
400g tin chickpeas
400g tin chopped tomatoes
400ml/14fl oz chicken stock
50g/1¾oz small pasta shapes
freshly ground sea salt and black pepper

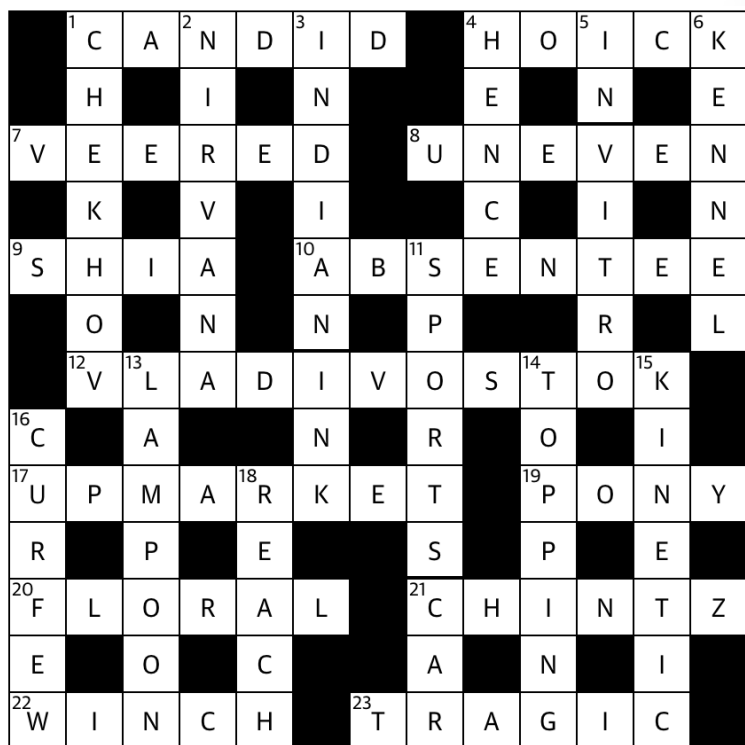


Method

1. Heat the olive oil and garlic gently in a medium saucepan over a medium heat until the garlic is soft and just starting to brown. Drain the chickpeas and stir in along with a generous amount of salt and pepper.
2. Stir in the chopped tomatoes, chicken stock and pasta shapes. Bring to the boil, then reduce the heat until the soup is just simmering.
3. Cook the soup for 15 minutes, or until the pasta is tender.
4. Check the seasoning, and serve finished with a generous drizzle of olive oil.



Answers to December crossword



Allotments.

If you would like an allotment
please phone or e-mail

Clive Cheeseman



Website of the Month

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Centigrade	Farenheit	Gas Mark
140°C	275°F	1
150°C	300°F	2
160°C	325°F	3
180°C	350°F	4
190°C	375°F	5
200°C	400°F	6
220°C	425°F	7
230°C	450°F	8
240°C	475°F	9

Mobile Library dates & times

Dates	Location	Stop name	Arrives	Leaves
2024 Dates are not on the libraries website yet but the mobile library comes every third Wednesday after 20th December 2023	Ulting	Doe's Corner	9:40	9:55
	Ulting	Ulting Lane/Water Co. Houses	10:00	10:15
	Heybridge	Colne House	10:45	11:15
	Heybridge	Coopers Avenue	11:20	11:50
	Heybridge Basin	Bus Stop	12:00	12:15
	Heybridge Basin	Daisy Meadows car park	12:20	12:50
	Goldhanger	Village Hall	13:10	13:40
	Heybridge	Plantation Hall	14:45	15:15
	Langford	Little Hills	15:30	16:00

What goes where?



Essex Police Contacts

Call 999 (emergency) if:

- A crime is in progress
- Person suspected of a crime nearby
- There is a danger to life
- Violence is being used or threatened

Call 101 for any non-emergency contact with the Police. This number covers all of England and Wales but you get the option to speak to Essex Police. Alternatively you can report a crime and more at <https://www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/>

The Goldhanger Neighbourhood Watch email system is free & confidential. It sends emails with information & advice on current issues in the village. Contact goldhangernw@outlook.com for more information.

Crimestoppers

0800 555 111

You can contact them anonymously with information about crime

**Our collection day is Friday;
Landfill and Recycling on alternate weeks.**

BUS TIMETABLE

Monday to Friday

95 Tollesbury to Maldon	Hedingham Omnibus			
Tollesbury, adj The Square	09:20	11:30	14:30	16:05
Tolleshunt D'Arcy The Red Lion (near)	09:25	11:35	14:35	16:10
Goldhanger House (o/s)	09:30	11:40	14:40	16:15
Heybridge, adj Osea Road	09:35	11:45	14:45	16:20
Heybridge, o/s Mill Beach Hotel	09:37	11:47	14:47	16:22
Heybridge, opp Church	09:40	11:50	14:50	16:25
Maldon Tesco Store (Stop 1)	09:43	11:53	14:53	16:28
Maldon, o/s The Swan Hotel	09:46	11:56	14:56	16:31
Maldon, o/s Blackwater Leisure Centre	09:50	12:00	15:00	16:35
Maldon Morrisons Wycke Hill (entrance)	09:55	12:05	15:05	16:40

95 Maldon to Tollesbury	Hedingham Omnibus			
Maldon Morrisons Wycke Hill (entrance)	08:25	10:40	12:50	16:45
Maldon, opp Blackwater Leisure Centre	08:30	10:45	12:55	16:50
Maldon, opp The Swan Hotel	08:35	10:50	13:00	16:55
Maldon Tesco Store (Stop 1)	08:39	10:54	13:04	16:59
Heybridge, o/s Church	08:43	10:58	13:08	17:03
Heybridge, opp Mill Beach Hotel	08:46	11:01	13:11	17:06
Heybridge, opp Osea Road	08:48	11:03	13:13	17:08
Goldhanger House (opp)	08:53	11:08	13:18	17:13
Tolleshunt D'Arcy, opp The Red Lion	08:58	11:13	13:23	17:18
Tollesbury, adj The Square	09:03	11:18	13:28	17:23

The Blackwater Link - 90

Runs from Morrisons in Maldon to Witham Ebenezer Close (passes Witham Station)
Take the 95 to Bentalls and pick up the 90 there.

For more details contact 01702-541511

BUS TIMETABLE

Saturday

95 Tollesbury to Maldon	Hedingham Omnibus			
Tollesbury, adj The Square	09:00	11:00	13:00	14:40
Tolleshunt D'Arcy The Red Lion (near)	09:05	11:05	13:05	14:45
Goldhanger House (o/s)	09:10	11:10	13:10	14:50
Heybridge, adj Osea Road	09:15	11:15	13:15	14:55
Heybridge, o/s Mill Beach Hotel	09:17	11:17	13:17	14:57
Heybridge, opp Church	09:20	11:20	13:20	15:00
Maldon Tesco Store (Stop 1)	09:23	11:23	13:23	15:03
Maldon, o/s The Swan Hotel	09:26	11:26	13:26	15:06
Maldon, o/s Blackwater Leisure Centre	09:30	11:30	13:30	15:10
Maldon Morrisons Wycke Hill (entrance)	09:35	11:35	13:35	15:15

95 Maldon to Tollesbury	Hedingham Omnibus			
Maldon Morrisons Wycke Hill (entrance)	09:55	11:55	13:55	16:25
Maldon, opp Blackwater Leisure Centre	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:30
Maldon, opp The Swan Hotel	10:05	12:05	14:05	16:35
Maldon Tesco Store (Stop 1)	10:10	12:10	14:10	16:40
Heybridge, o/s Church	10:15	12:15	14:15	16:45
Heybridge, opp Mill Beach Hotel	10:17	12:17	14:17	16:47
Heybridge, opp Osea Road	10:19	12:19	14:19	16:49
Goldhanger House (opp)	10:25	12:25	14:25	16:55
Tolleshunt D'Arcy, opp The Red Lion	10:30	12:30	14:30	17:00
Tollesbury, adj The Square	10:35	12:35	14:35	17:05

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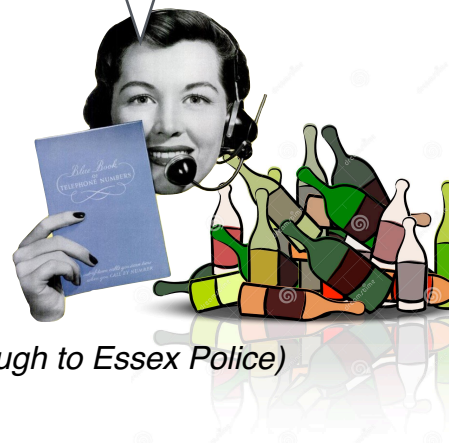
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HEALTH

Blackwater Medical Centre	876760
Longfield Medical Centre	876433
Tollesbury Surgery	869204
St Peter's Hospital <i>NHS</i> (Maldon - no A&E)	725323
Broomfield Hospital <i>NHS</i> (Chelmsford, has A&E)	01245 362000
Colchester General Hospital <i>NHS</i> (has A&E)	01206 747474
NHS Advice (non-emergency)	111

Finishing the left-over
wine after Christmas can be
so-o-o tedious.



LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICES

Maldon District Council	854477
Job Centre Chelmsford	0845 606 0234
Local Police (non-emergency)	101 (<i>puts you through to Essex Police</i>)

HELP & ADVICE

Maldon Citizens Advice Bureau	841195
Social Services	08457 430 430
Victim Support (charity for victims of crime)	08 08 16 89 111
Women's Aid	01245 493114
Alcoholics Anonymous	01904 644026
Childline	0800 1111
Universal Credit Helpline	0800 328 5644
Salvation Army	853942
Gingerbread (Charity for single parents)	01245 352708
Outhouse East (LGBT Charity)	0345 123 23 88 (<i>7pm-10pm weekdays</i>)
National Domestic Abuse/Violence Helpline	0808 2000 247 (<i>open 24 hrs, every day</i>)

ELECTRICITY & WATER

UK Power Networks	0800 783 8838
Anglian Water (Sewage flooding)	03457 145 145
Essex & Suffolk Water	0345 782 0999

TRAVEL

National Rail Enquiries	0845 748 4950
Hedingham Omnibuses Ltd	01206 769778 or 564581
Regal Busways	01245 249001
First Eastern National Buses	0845 678 2977
Bus Station Chelmsford	01245 263859
Bus Station Colchester	01206 572478
Stansted Airport	0844 335 1803

SPORTS CENTRES

Blackwater Leisure Centre	851898
Witham Leisure Centre	0845 260 1535