

Little Maplestead

Village Welcome Pack



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Welcome Letter

Hello and welcome to Little Maplestead.

Please accept this pack as an introduction to this village, it is intended to help you settle into village life and answer any questions you may have about issues you have taken for granted at your previous address.

In addition to the information in the attached pack we have a thriving Church community and fundraise at various functions throughout the year. We are always looking for new people to assist, so expect a knock on your door shortly!!

We are hoping to raise the funding to build our Community Room next to the Church – all the relevant planning permissions are in place and it is hoped that this will get off the ground very soon.

We are a friendly village with a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme and a village support scheme for those in need which was put in place during the pandemic and is still in operation today, and the intention is for it to continue.

We are a small village with a big heart.

You are very welcome.



Bill Piper

Chairman – Little Maplestead Parish Council

General Information & History of the Area

General Information

Little Maplestead Parish Council has a double-sided noticeboard, situated in Gestingthorpe Road between the Post Box and the Bus Stop. Although primarily intended for Council Information, parishioners wishing to promote village events can contact the Clerk for permission to display posters. The parish council also has their own website with lots of information; simply Google 'Little Maplestead' to find the link.

In addition, other information, news and updates appear in the monthly Parish News Magazine, which is also circulated within the parishes of Great Maplestead, Gestingthorpe & Pebmarsh.

There is an active Facebook group with lots of local news and information. This is called Maplestead Mates and is easy to find, however it is a private group for local residents so before being able to view or create posts you need to request to join the group. This is very straightforward and generally it doesn't take long to be approved and admitted.

History

Little Maplestead is situated in North Essex between Halstead and Sudbury, close to the Suffolk border, and has around 270 residents. The village is a civil parish in the Braintree district of Essex, England.

Little Maplestead once had a Knights Hospitaller establishment called Little Maplestead Preceptory.

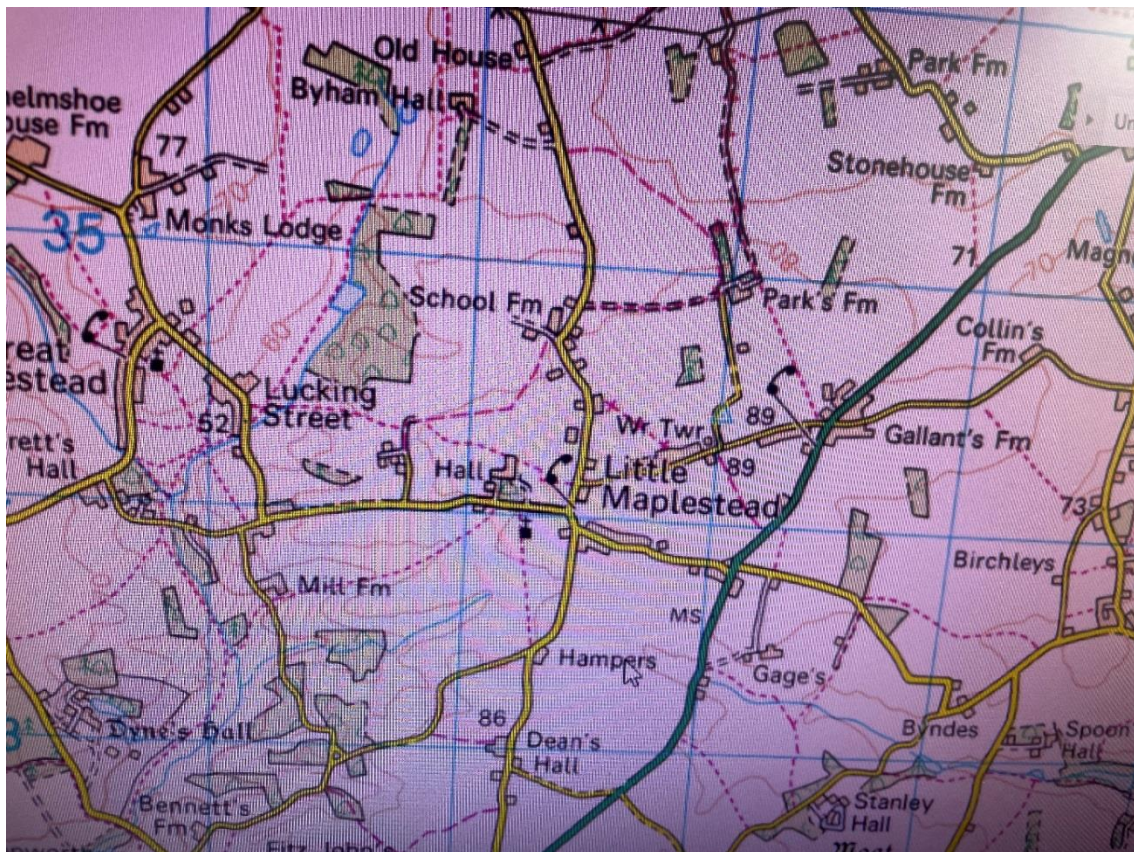
The round parish church, dedicated to St John the Baptist, is a Grade II* listed building dating from around 1335 but practically rebuilt 1849-55. The round nave has an arcade of six bays. It is one of only four medieval round churches in England now surviving and was built by the Knights Hospitallers.

Local Maps

1805



Current



County/District/Parish Information

Essex County Council

County Hall, Market Rd, Chelmsford CM1 1QH
Tel: 03457 430 430

County Councillor – Peter Schwier
E-mail: Cllr.Peter.Schwier@essex.gov.uk
Website: www.essex.gov.uk

Braintree District Council

Causeway House, Bocking End, Braintree CM7 9HB
Tel: 01376 552 525

District Councillor – Peter Schwier
E-mail: cllr.pschwier@braintree.gov.uk
Website: www.braintree.gov.uk

Parish of Little Maplestead

Parish Clerk – Ann Harris
Tel: 01787 462 818
E-mail: littlemaplesteadparishclerk@gmail.com
Website: <https://littlemaplesteadpc.co.uk/>

MP – James Cleverly (Conservative)
E-mail: james.cleverly.mp@parliament.uk

Useful Addresses & Telephone Numbers

Local Hospitals/Doctors/Pharmacy

Hospitals (A&E)

Colchester – Broomfields Hospital, Court Rd, Broomfield, Chelmsford **CM1 7ET** (19.4 miles)

Colchester – Colchester Hospital, Turner Rd, Mile End, Colchester **CO4 5JL** (17 miles)

Bury St Edmunds – West Suffolk Hosp, Hardwick Lane, Bury St Edmunds, **IP33 2QZ** (22 miles)

Doctors

Halstead: Elizabeth Courtauld Surgery – Factory Lane West, Halstead CO9 1EX

Castle Hedingham: The Castle Surgery – 10 Falcon Square, Castle Hedingham, Halstead, Essex, CO9 3BY

Sudbury: Hardwick House Surgery – Stour Street Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 2AY.

Pharmacies

Halstead:

Well Pharmacy – Signal House, Factory Lane West, Halstead CO9 1EX

Boots - 69-71 High St, Halstead CO9 2JD

Sible Hedingham:

Day Lewis Pharmacy – 132-134 Swan Street, Sible Hedingham, Essex CO9 3P

Local Shops/Pubs

Shops

Halstead: Co-Op, Lidl, Sainsburys

Sudbury: Tesco, Aldi, Waitrose, Sainsburys

Pubs/Restaurants

Little Maplestead: Little India – Sudbury Rd, Halstead CO9 2SE
(01787 476 161)

Pebmarsh: Kings Head – The Street, Pebmarsh, Halstead CO9 2NH
(01787 267 942)

Gestingthorpe: Pheasant Restaurant & Bar – Church St,
Gestingthorpe, Halstead CO9 3AU (01787 465 010)

Wickham St Paul: The Victory Inn – The Green, Wickham St Paul,
Halstead CO9 2PT (01787 269 364)

Refuse Collection & Disposal Points

Refuse Collection

There is a weekly refuse collection, however what is collected differs each week:

Grey/Black Bins for general waste are collected fortnightly on a **Monday**.

Clear Sacks for recycling are collected on the opposite week to general waste.

Small Green Food Waste Bins are collected EACH WEEK regardless of whether it is black bin or recycling week.

Large Green Bins for garden waste are collected on the same week as recycling bags, but they are for collection only between April and October.

Clear Recycling Sacks are delivered to homes annually (usually in July); however additional rolls can be requested online via the Braintree Council website, or alternatively collected from Halstead Library.

Glass Recycling

Little Maplestead: Little India Car Park – Sudbury Rd, CO9 2SE

Pebmarsh: Football Field Car Park – Pebmarsh Rd

Halstead: Sainsbury's Car Park

Recycling Centre

Sudbury: Sudbury Waste Centre, Sandy Lane, Sudbury CO10 7HG

Braintree: Braintree Recycling Centre, Springwood Dr, Braintree
CM7 2YN

Libraries and Post Offices

Libraries

Halstead: Bridge St, Halstead CO9 1HT

9am - 5pm (1pm Thurs) Closed on Weds

Sible Hedingham: 169 Swan Street, Sible Hedingham, CO9 3PX

Mon 9am - 1pm, Thurs 2pm - 7pm, Sat 9am - 5pm

Post Offices

Halstead: WH Smith – 76-80 High St, Halstead CO9 2JG

Greenstead Green: Greenstead Farm Shop, Crocklands,
Greenstead Green, Halstead CO9 1QY

Services

Electricity

UK Power Networks:

South East England 0800 783 8866; East of England 0800 783 8838
Power Cut 105*

*105 is a three-digit number you can call to report or get information about electrical power cuts. You can also call 105 with any welfare concerns related to a power cut, or if you are concerned about the safety of over or underground electricity cables or substations.

105 is free of charge and will put you through to your electricity network operator – you can call 105 from most landlines and mobile phones. The website www.powercut105.com will also provide you with information and direct you to your power network operator.

Gas

National Gas Emergency Service: 0800 111 999 (Freefone 24 hours)

Telephones

British Telecom (damage to telephone poles or wires): 0800 800 151

Water

Anglian Water:

Water supply and sewerage emergencies: 08457 145 145 (24 hours)

Reporting a leak: 0800 771 881 (24 hours)

Religious Venues

There are churches in both Little and Great Maplestead. Information about each of these churches and their services can be found at:

<https://littlemaplesteadpc.co.uk/our-community-2/community-amenities/st-john-the-baptist-church/> and

<https://greatmaplesteadpc.co.uk/parish-information/amenities/st-giles-church/>

Public Transport

Buses

The F315 Local Bus Service:

Unlike a conventional bus, you need to first register as a customer and you need to book your seat on a journey at least two hours in advance of travel. Flat fare **£3 single, £5 return** between any two stages.

Concessionary bus passes are accepted after 0900 Monday to Friday and all day on Saturdays.

For more information call Essex DaRT on 01621 874 410 or e-mail info@essexandsuffolkdart.co.uk.

SUDBURY - BULMER - GESTINGTHORPE - WICKHAM ST. PAUL - *PEBMARSH* - GREAT AND LITTLE MAPLESTEAD - HALSTEAD

F315							From 01/03/2018
Sudbury, Bus Station	09:00	11:00	13:00	15:30	17:30	19:15	
Ballingdon, Kings Head	09:03	11:03	13:03	15:33	17:33	09:18	Timings in BOLD are fixed timing points
Bulmer Tye, Park Lane	09:07	11:07	13:07	15:37	17:37	19:22	
Bulmer, Cross Roads	09:11	11:11	13:11	15:41	17:41	19:26	All timings in Italics need to be pre-booked
Gestingthorpe, Foundry Corner	09:17	11:17	13:17	15:47	17:47	19:32	
Wickham St Paul, The Victory	09:23	11:23	13:23	15:53	17:53	19:38	
Pebmarsh, Bus Shelter	09:32	11:32	13:32	16:02	18:02	19:47	Timings other than those in bold type will vary up to 10 minutes either side of stated time, dependent on the number of passengers booked on the service.
Pebmarsh, War Memorial	09:33	11:33	13:33	16:03	18:03	19:48	
Little Maplestead, Corner	09:39	11:39	13:39	16:09	18:09	19:54	
Great Maplestead, Church	09:45	11:45	13:45	16:15	18:15	20:00	latest arrival time
Little Maplestead, Pump	09:51	11:51	13:51	16:21	18:21	20:06	earliest arrival time
Halstead, High Street	09:56	11:56	13:56	16:26	18:26	20:11	
Halstead, High Street	09:37	11:37	13:37	16:07	18:07	19:43	

F315							From 01/03/2018
Halstead, High Street	07:30	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:30	18:30	
Little Maplestead, Pump	07:35	10:05	12:05	14:05	16:35	18:35	Timings in BOLD are fixed timing points
Great Maplestead, Church	07:41	10:11	12:11	14:11	16:41	18:41	All timings in Italics need to be pre-booked
Little Maplestead, Cock	07:49	10:17	12:17	14:17	16:47	18:47	
Pebmarsh, War Memorial	07:54	10:23	12:23	14:23	16:53	18:53	
Pebmarsh, Bus Shelter	07:55	10:24	12:24	14:24	16:54	18:54	
Wickham St Paul, The Victory	08:04	10:33	12:33	14:33	17:03	19:03	Timings other than those in bold type will vary up to 10 minutes either side of stated time, dependent on the number of passengers booked on the service.
Gestingthorpe, Foundry Corner	08:10	10:39	12:39	14:39	17:09	19:09	
Bulmer, Cross Roads	08:15	10:45	12:45	14:45	17:15	19:15	
Bulmer Tye, Park Lane	08:19	10:49	12:49	14:49	17:19	19:19	
Ballingdon, Kings Head	08:23	10:53	12:53	14:53	17:23	19:23	
Sudbury, Bus Station	08:07	10:37	12:37	14:37	17:07	19:07	earliest arrival time
Sudbury, Bus Station	08:30	10:56	12:56	14:56	17:28	19:28	latest arrival time

Trains

Chappel (Sudbury branch line)

Braintree (Branch line)

Kelvedon or **Marks Tey** for Main line