

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.

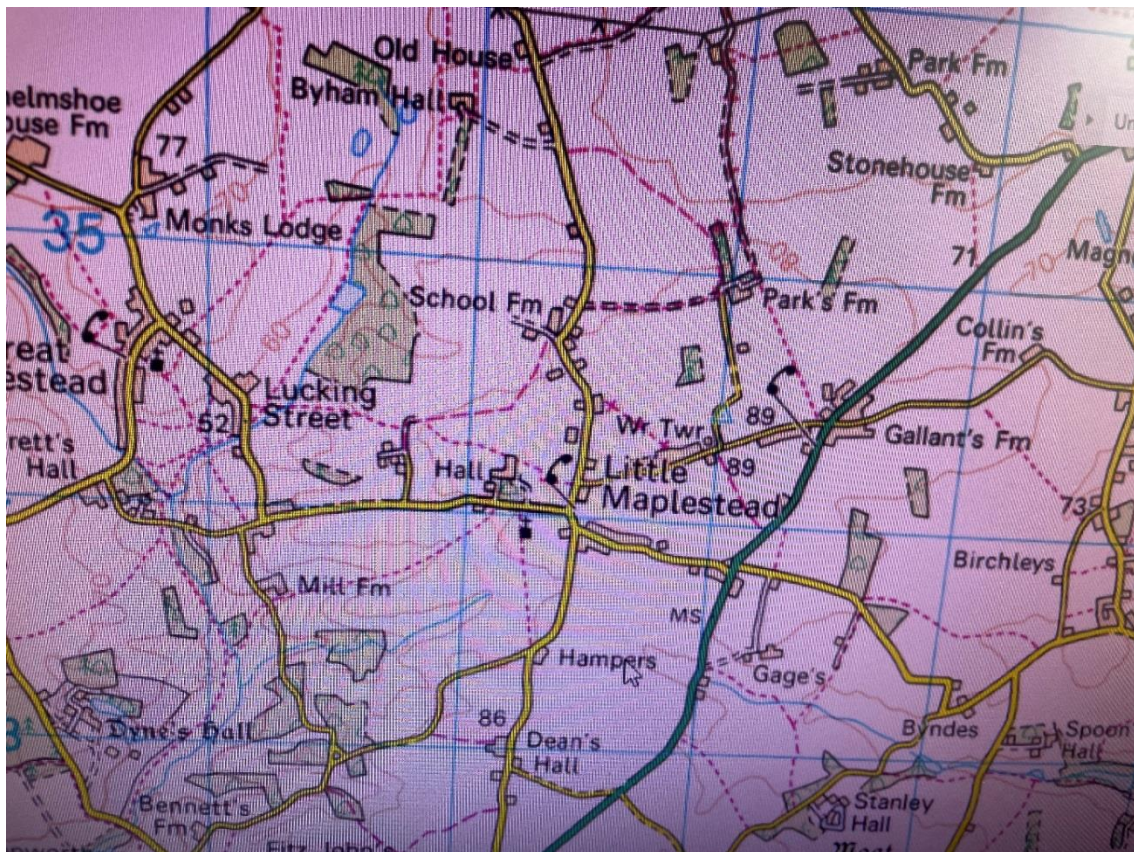
The round parish church, dedicated to St John the Baptist, is a Grade II* listed building dating from around 1335 but practically rebuilt 1849-55. The round nave has an arcade of six bays. It is one of only four medieval round churches in England now surviving and was built by the Knights Hospitallers.

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 – Paula Sillett
Tel: 07975 571 253
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 - Gestingthorpe - Pebmarsh - Gt Maplestead - Halstead (Demand Responsive Service)													F315
Operator	Monday to Friday (Except Bank Holidays)						Saturday						BOOK STA
	ARWT	ARWT	ARWT	ARWT	ARWT	ARWT	ARWT	ARWT	ARWT	ARWT	ARWT	ARWT	
Notes	STATH	STATH	STATH	STATH	STATH	STATH	STATH	STATH	STATH	STATH	STATH	STATH	
Sudbury, Bus Station (A)	0900	1100	1300	1530	1730	1915	0900	1100	1300	1530	1730	1915	
Ballingdon, Strawberry Stores (opp)	0903	1103	1303	1533	1733	1918	0903	1103	1303	1533	1733	1918	
Bulmer Tye, Park Lane (adj)	0907	1107	1307	1537	1737	1922	0907	1107	1307	1537	1737	1922	
Bulmer, The Street (adj)	0911	1111	1311	1541	1741	1926	0911	1111	1311	1541	1741	1926	
Gestingthorpe, Foundry Corner (S-bound)	0917	1117	1317	1547	1747	1932	0917	1117	1317	1547	1747	1932	
Wickham St Paul, The Victory (o/s)	0923	1123	1323	1553	1753	1938	0923	1123	1323	1553	1753	1938	
Pebmarsh, The Kings Head (o/s)	0932	1132	1332	1602	1802	1947	0932	1132	1332	1602	1802	1947	
Pebmarsh, War Memorial (opp)	0933	1133	1333	1603	1803	1948	0933	1133	1333	1603	1803	1948	
Little Maplestead, The Cock (W-bound)	0939	1139	1339	1609	1809	1954	0939	1139	1339	1609	1809	1954	
Great Maplestead, Church (opp)	0945	1145	1345	1615	1815	2000	0945	1145	1345	1615	1815	2000	
Little Maplestead, Little Maplestead Pump (E-bound)	0951	1151	1351	1621	1821	2006	0951	1151	1351	1621	1821	2006	
Halstead, High Street (SW-bound)	0958	1158	1358	1628	1828	2011	0958	1158	1358	1628	1828	2011	
Sunday													
no service						no service							

NOTES
 BOOK - Journey must be pre-booked
 STA - Most times approximate (confirm by booking on 01621 874411, costs apply)
 TH - Passengers to/from Pebmarsh and Gt. Maplestead must pre-book

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Halstead - Gt Maplestead - Pebmarsh - Gestingthorpe - Sudbury (Demand Responsive Service)													F315
Operator	Monday to Friday (Except Bank Holidays)						Saturday						BOOK STA
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Notes	STATS	STATS	STATS	STATS	STATS	STATS	STATS	STATS	STATS	STATS	STATS	STATS	
Halstead, High Street (NE-bound)	0730	1000	1200	1400	1630	1830	0730	1000	1200	1400	1630	1830	
Little Maplestead, Little Maplestead Pump (W-bound)	0735	1005	1205	1405	1635	1835	0735	1005	1205	1405	1635	1835	
Great Maplestead, Church (opp)	0741	1011	1211	1411	1641	1841	0741	1011	1211	1411	1641	1841	
Little Maplestead, The Cock (E-bound)	0749	1017	1217	1417	1647	1847	0749	1017	1217	1417	1647	1847	
Pebmarsh, War Memorial (opp)	0754	1023	1223	1423	1653	1853	0754	1023	1223	1423	1653	1853	
Pebmarsh, The Kings Head (opp)	0755	1024	1224	1424	1654	1854	0755	1024	1224	1424	1654	1854	
Wickham St Paul, The Victory (opp)	0804	1033	1233	1433	1703	1903	0804	1033	1233	1433	1703	1903	
Gestingthorpe, Foundry Corner (N-bound)	0810	1039	1239	1439	1709	1909	0810	1039	1239	1439	1709	1909	
Bulmer, The Street (opp)	0815	1045	1245	1445	1715	1915	0815	1045	1245	1445	1715	1915	
Bulmer Tye, Park Lane (opp)	0819	1049	1249	1449	1719	1919	0819	1049	1249	1449	1719	1919	
Ballingdon, Strawberry Stores (o/s)	0823	1053	1253	1453	1723	1923	0823	1053	1253	1453	1723	1923	
Sudbury, Bus Station (A)	0830	1056	1256	1456	1726	1926	0830	1056	1256	1456	1726	1926	
Sunday													
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Trains

- Chappel** (Sudbury branch line)
- Braintree** (Branch line)
- Kelvedon** or **Marks Tey** for Main line