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# Letter from the Clerk

## Welcome to this edition of the Grapevine magazine

We have been busy collating some interesting articles for the residents of Galleywood to read, which we hope you enjoy.

We have a new Councillor at the Parish Council – Geoff Smith and a profile for Geoff has been provided later on in the magazine.

A new larger noticeboard was installed in Barnard Road which enables us to engage with residents by providing useful information on the business of the Council and events going on in Galleywood.

We also have developed a new website – [www.galleywoodparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.galleywoodparishcouncil.gov.uk)

The monthly Councillor surgeries continue at the Galleywood Library on the last Saturday of the month. If you would like to speak to a Parish Councillor about issues in and around Galleywood please get in contact.

Events for this year are being planned and they include support for events to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee, a storytelling event, Play in the Park, and the senior citizens Christmas lunch.

We are accepting leaflets for the outdoor noticeboards around the Village, please drop these off at the Keene Hall post box.

We are always on hand to help and assist residents with any concerns they have in and around Galleywood. Please contact us by telephone **01245 358898/348756** or email: [clerk@galleywoodparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@galleywoodparishcouncil.gov.uk) Further information regarding the Parish Council can be found on the Council's website [www.galleywoodparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.galleywoodparishcouncil.gov.uk) and our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/Parish.Council](https://www.facebook.com/Parish.Council)

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Regards  
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E Massey



N Paul



G Smith



B Woolward

## WEST WARD COUNCILLORS



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C Lumley



A McQuiggan



S Troop (Vice Chairman)

Monthly Councillor surgeries are held on the last Saturday of the month for residents to speak to their local Councillor regarding issues in and around Galleywood.

## PROJECTS FOR 2022

Open space and highways improvements | Future of Galleywood Library  
Continued support of Galleywood Youth Club | Galleywood Wellbeing Initiatives  
Installation of wildlife boxes | Upgrade of Village Information Boards  
Consideration of items on the Parish Council's Action Plan for 2021-22

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I have lived in Galleywood for approximately 18 years and feel very lucky to live in such a lovely village.

I am married and have three children, all of which went to our local school.

I'm a very keen cricketer, golfer, football supporter, and follower of most sports. I also enjoy walking and trekking, and have been

lucky enough to climb Kilimanjaro and trek across Costa Rica.

I have served as a school Governor, and now want to help in any way I can to keep improving Galleywood and its services and facilities. I look forward to meeting many of you and hopefully be able to make a positive input to the Parish Council and the great work they do.

*Councillor Geoff Smith*

## Little Half-Chick

**“Little Half-Chick” what sort of name was that and how did I get it he thought.**

Well a long time ago when the Church was built he was put on the top of the church spire so that people could tell the direction of the wind. It seems that children of the village gave him the name as he was flat and not full and strong like the big rooster he was meant to be. “He’s only half a chicken” the children said so the name stuck.

He quite liked it really it made him feel close to the village he looked out over and as the wind blew it changed what he could see.

From the church he could see all around him but only the direction he was pointing at the time.

Over the lovely Common towards Brentwood and the fantastic sunsets he got to see very often. Another view was towards Chelmsford and turning he could see down Watchouse Road to Great Baddow and that fantastic Marconi tower. Being turned again he could see the road across the Common

to the A12 and on towards Stock. His views were ever changing both by the wind and the seasons and he never tired of it, even being there for over a hundred years.

Half Chick didn’t seem to realise that he was a weather vane on top of Saint Michael and all Angels church Galleywood. He could think, talk to the other passing birds and enjoyed his position being able to see all over his lovely village.

Sunday mornings were for dozing until he was woken by the bells of the church being rung. He never tired of their music, the sound ringing out all over the village. He always smiled to himself when he saw the people coming to church either walking or by car.

A big gust of wind rattled him a little and he felt that if they could his feathers would ruffle. He enjoyed the sensation and settled down to another day contemplating life in HIS village.

He was contented and happy with his lot and hoped that he could continue for at least another hundred years.

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# A message from your vicar, Revd David Cattle

**"Look to the hills!"**

I come from the Isle of Man  
– a place with plenty of hills.

You can't go anywhere without meeting a hill. The house I grew up in was on the side of a hill – it's a place where car handbrakes need to be strong. (The low wall in front of my parents' house was once destroyed by the car in the driveway of the house opposite, when its handbrake failed and it rolled down the hill.) It's all very different here in Essex, unless you go to Danbury, or travel that long lazy hill that goes from town up to Galleywood.

My grandparents also used to live on the same street as my parents. (My Grandpa was a meticulous handbrake-puller!) One of my Granny's all-time favourite films was *The Sound of Music*. It's still a hugely popular film today, even though it was made in 1965. At one point in that film, Maria (played by wonderful Julie Andrews) says, "I lift up my eyes to the hills, from whence cometh my help." The place where my grandparents are now buried is on a hill-top on the Isle of Man, surrounded by bigger hills, and this phrase is engraved onto their headstone.

In the film, the phrase means that Maria loves the mountains in Austria – she loves being out in them and singing her heart out (just like my grandparents loved the hills on the Isle of Man, but without the singing).

Those words she said actually come from the Bible – Psalm 121, verse 1 – but it is a slight mis-quote. In a modern translation it says, "I lift up my eyes to the hills – from where will my help come?" Note the question-mark on the end, and that question-mark makes all the difference to what the phrase means.

The person writing the Psalm sees the tops of the hills in Israel (it's an even more hilly place than the Isle of Man!), and he sees the pagan shrines on the tops of the hills, and he asks where his help will come from. The answer is that it doesn't come from false, pagan religions, but, as he says in verse 2, "My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth."

We don't have many hills here in Essex, and the hills we do have have got Churches on the top – St John's in Danbury and St Michael's here in Galleywood. And if we go to the Austrian or French or Swiss Alps, we usually find crosses on the tops of the mountains. We have Christianised the hills!

I love being amongst Europe's big mountains. They inspire me and help me to feel better about myself and about the world. There is something life-giving about great scenery. But, ultimately, I don't find my help from the mountains. For me, the mountains point beyond themselves to an even greater reality – the One who made the mountains. Yes, I know that mountains were made by geological forces, but Christians like me see the hand of God at work in the wonder and beauty of nature.

I know what the Psalmist means when he says that our help, our hope in life, our purpose in life, our inspiration, our salvation, ultimately must come from the Lord God. God made us, God loves us, God has plans for us, and God will save us. I lift my eyes to the Lord God – he is my help.

God bless,  
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# Galleywood Library News

## Spring/Summer 2022

**Library life has been getting busier and busier in early 2022, as we have been reintroducing many of our pre-pandemic services and events.**

Our regular Love Your Library day in February was the perfect opportunity for many to re-connect with familiar faces in the community and come together to celebrate all the library has to offer over tea and a biscuit.

We're thrilled that all Essex libraries will remain open over the next four years, and so grateful for all your support – at our core, Galleywood Library is still very much part of the village community. For those who have struggled with loneliness over the course of the pandemic, it can be difficult to venture out and seek out new friendships, but the library is a wonderful place to come and join a group such as Scrabble (Tuesday afternoons), a book group (there are two open groups run from this library), or even to come and have a Knit (or stitch, crochet whatever!) and Natter. Our Knit and Natter group runs on the first and third Saturdays of every month from 10am-12pm.



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We can't wait to see everyone again soon!



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# Galleywood Horticultural Society

**Galleywood Horticultural Society's (GHS) history can be traced back to the early 20th century.**

The Society has arranged from its early beginnings annual flower and produce shows, social events and outings and organised informative presentations with guest speakers.

In 2022 and in response to requests from some younger gardeners, GHS plan to commence 'Welcome to Gardening' workshops and hold talks specifically for the more novice gardeners. The workshops will last about 30 minutes and will probably be held prior to the monthly meetings and will demonstrate basic gardening skills e.g. sowing seeds, transplanting seedlings, pruning, lawn care, etc. All members will be able to attend the workshops, but they will be filmed and made available through subscription on Facebook so any interested viewers may access the information at a time to suit themselves. It is expected that this offshoot from GHS will have its own name and brand; keep an eye on GHS's website for further details.

For details of GHS events, please visit the Society's website. Our evening events commence at 8 p.m. and are usually held on the fourth Thursday of the month in Keene Hall, Watchouse Road, Galleywood. Refreshments are available following the talk.

## **SPRING GARDENING: WHAT TO DO IN YOUR GARDENS DURING MARCH AND APRIL**

By March/April the days will be lengthening and temperatures should be increasing. This combination will encourage the plants in your garden to put on new growth. Plants such as roses (apart from rambling roses), most buddleias, etc., will benefit from being pruned and fed. If you have plants that are sending up shoots and there is still dead growth from last year, they are probably herbaceous perennials and it is time to cut back this old growth being careful not to damage the new shoots. Spring is also a good time of year to check all your plants have come through winter undamaged. Prune out any damaged, diseased, and overcrowded twigs/branches, but take care you don't cut off flower buds!

Unfortunately, weeds will also start to grow. If you are happy with weeds in your flower beds or lawns, that's fine especially as the flowers and leaves provide food and shelter for wildlife. Afterall, a weed is just a plant in the wrong place! Be warned, however, as some weeds are thugs and can smother your other plants. If you want to clear the weeds, dig them out using a trowel and then cover the soil with a mulch (covering) of garden compost, compost from old growbags, or bought from garden centres to keep winter moisture in the soil, help keep soil warm, and smother weeds. There is a saying: one year's seeds, seven years weeds. That should encourage you to remove weeds before they flower, set seed, and spread themselves everywhere!

Many garden plants self-seed and so long as you are happy where the self-sown seeds are growing, let them develop, or thin out the weak plants if there are too many. Self-seeded plants may be moved (transplanted) to where you've got gaps in your flower borders thereby increasing the number of plants in your garden for nothing.

If you have a lawn that is regularly walked or played on, it could be compacted and it will help its condition if you dig lots of holes across the lawn using a garden fork and wiggling it a bit. If you can, brush horticultural sand into the holes to aid drainage.

Most flower and vegetable seeds can start to be sown now albeit some will need to be indoors. Dahlia tubers (swollen roots) can be put into some compost to start them into growth. A fun project, if you have children or grandchildren, is to cut some of the shoots (cuttings) close to the tuber, put them in a pot of compost close to the sides of the pot, water, and keep in a warm, bright place. Very quickly, most of the cuttings will produce roots and when they're big enough you can re-pot and have more plants for very little outlay. Most will flower that year, much to the delight of the children.

Spring is a very popular time to move home. If you move into a brand-new home with a 'blank canvas', it is always a good idea to wait a couple of seasons before you do anything, so you know how much sun your garden

gets and where the shade is and if there is a prevailing wind direction. While planning what plants to put in your garden, take a look at the plants in gardens nearby. Some plants prefer a certain type of soil, e.g. rhododendrons like an acid soil, so if it looks like your soil is alkaline (garden centres do sell soil testing kits), your plants will struggle unless you put them in pots with the correct type of compost (ericaceous for acid loving plants).

If you move into a home that already has a garden, keep it tidy, but it's a good idea to wait a year to see what comes up over each season. The famous Essex gardener, Beth Chatto, had a saying: "right plant, right place". If you give plants the conditions they enjoy; sun/shade, soil type, wet, or dry, etc., they will reward you by growing and developing with less chance they will succumb to pests and diseases because they will be stronger plants and you will avoid the use of fungicides, etc.

Spring is a very busy time in the garden and some work done now will reap rewards in the summer and/or autumn but, however many jobs you have, if it's a lovely day, sit and enjoy your garden and experience the well-being of being within nature.

Thursday 24 March 2022: Jan French, GHS member, will talk about 'Flowers and Honey' The meeting starts at 8pm and takes place in Keene Hall.

Membership costs £10 per year per person. Visitors are £4 per evening. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Our website is

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**GalleywoodHorticultural Society**

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## Data Protection Act

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We also hold a general meeting on the first Monday of each month with an invited professional speaker. For several years, these have been held at the United Reform Church in Great Baddow but with its recent

sale we have found alternative premises and (coronavirus restrictions permitting), we are meeting at the Keene Hall in Galleywood but also "Zooming" the general meeting to those who cannot attend Keene Hall for any reason so many are enjoying the return to face-to-face meetings with socialising learning and laughing together whilst others who cannot attend in person can be involved.

Some upcoming general meeting talks include Trinity Lighthouses Around Our Coast, D'Oyly Carte, Savoy Hotel and Theatre, and The Iconic QE2 Story.

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## Galleywood Womens Institute

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# Chelmsford Museum

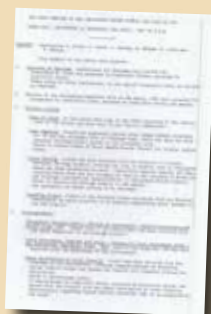
**From 2018 through to summer 2019, significant changes took place at Chelmsford City Museum.**

The permanent exhibition galleries in the Victorian Hall were redisplayed and an award-winning café was installed on the ground floor, funded by the National Heritage Lottery Fund and Chelmsford City Council. The new displays take visitors on a journey from pre-historic Chelmsford through to 2012, when Chelmsford was awarded City Status as part of Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

Interpretation in the new galleries focusses on Chelmsford district and its people. As part of the 20th Century Gallery, parishes are being invited to curate their own case with objects that highlight key stories and people in their area. This approach aims to show visitors that the history of Chelmsford extends well beyond the city centre. This year we are excited to be working with Galleywood Parish Council and Galleywood Heritage Centre on a new display.

The display will not follow a timeline; instead objects and images will be used to represent local industries, individuals, or events. Wendy Cummin from Galleywood Heritage Centre has been generously sharing her knowledge and offering insight into local stories, as well as providing objects for use in the display. Alas, it is never possible for us to cover the rich history of an area in a single case, but we hope our visitors will learn enough to spark their curiosity and set out to explore Galleywood themselves. Installation will take place in February and the objects will remain on display for 12 months.

*Robyn Hall  
Curatorial and Learning Officer,  
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# Spring clean

**With Christmas behind us many of us are thinking about that traditional time of year where we have a good clear out, better known as a spring clean.**

It makes us feel revived and sorts out unwanted items and clutter that have building up over the year.

There are many ways we can declutter our homes. One of those is to recycle. If you've not used or worn it for over a year, will you ever use it again? If it is in good condition or working order, perhaps it could be donated to local charity shop. This would not only benefit the shop but also help other people purchase an item that you know longer need.

Alternatively, if you are recycling clothes or shoes these can be put out with your weekly recycling. The items would need to put in a separate plastic bag and leave them outside your green recycling box. Clean clothing that can be worn again, and shoes that are in a pair will be accepted.

Larger items could possibly be sold or given for free. There are many freecycle site that are available on Facebook.

In the event that the item if not worth recycling. then it will need to be disposed of in the correct way.

Please visit [www.chelmsford.gov.uk/bins-and-recycling](http://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/bins-and-recycling) for details of recycling centre. The nearest for Galleywood residents would be Chelmsford recycling centre, Drovers Way, North Springfield, Chelmsford, Essex, CM2 5PH or Mountnessing recycling centre, Roman Road, Mountnessing, Essex, CM4 9AU

5 ways to spring clean your house with average household items:

1. **Toothbrushes** – A standard toothbrush also can be used to clean a variety of other surfaces which include grouting between tiles, bath and shower wastes and other small nooks and crannies around the home. Just make sure you don't use it on your teeth again afterwards!
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# New Notice Board

**In January this year we replaced the notice board at Barnard Road.**

The Parish Council changes the posters weekly in all our noticeboards around the village to keep the community informed of local events and Galleywood Parish Council Information.

Take a look...

*Galleywood Parish Council*



## Galleywood Litter Pick Saturday 19th March 2022

**Can you help? Please do join us to make keep our village clean.**

We will meet at 10.00 by the public conveniences, Watchouse Road to collect the equipment and clothing required.





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# Baddow Village Surgery – Patient Participation Group

**A large number of Galleywood residents will be patients of Baddow Village Surgery based in Longmead Avenue, Great Baddow on the no 57 bus route.**

The Surgery has around 12,500 patients although at time of writing the list is closed to new patients. The last independent inspection of the Surgery rated it as “Good” and this is generally borne out by other information and survey results.

In common with all GP surgeries, Baddow Village has a Patient Participation Group (PPG) which acts as a channel for communication and feedback between the Surgery and its patients. Any patient can be a member. An elected committee meets with Surgery representatives four times a year to discuss issues such as staffing levels, getting through on the telephone. Whilst there are not always easy solutions we make sure the Practice Manager is aware of what patients are saying and we offer suggestions for improvements. We have also run open patient information sessions on subjects such as carers, weight management and stroke.

We also join wider groups at Chelmsford and Mid Essex levels where general practice developments and issues are raised.

In keeping with our aim of improving communication, we repost relevant Surgery website notices on some local social media groups such as ‘Nextdoor’ and ‘We’re From Galleywood’. We also send out a regular email update to a virtual group ‘Friends of Baddow Village Surgery’ with items of interest. This is free and if you want to be included just let me know (email below). You can opt out at any time.

We are always on the lookout for additional committee members so if you have a deeper interest rather than just being an onlooker, please let me know and we can talk about what is involved.

Just a final point. The PPG is not there to bypass the usual channels between the surgery and an individual patient. We do not

for instance take forward any clinical issues or personal complaints which would be dealt with by established processes. We do however welcome general feedback of experiences both good and bad as it helps inform our discussions.

## **Changes in how the Surgery works**

Since the outbreak of the pandemic the way that patients have been ‘seen’ and supported by the clinical staff of doctors and nurses has changed significantly. Before then it was usual for some 90% patients to be seen face-to-face in the Surgery. There is now a much greater use of telephones with GP appointments often starting as a telephone call with only those who need to be seen face to face coming in. This change was essential to reduce the risk of spreading any covid infection. There is nothing the virus likes more than a room full of people with other illnesses as a playground to spread. Also if doctors and nurses became infected and had to isolate, it would make looking after other patients even more difficult.

In addition to this during the pandemic the general number of requests for appointments has risen and as a result there has been sustained pressure on telephone lines and appointments.

However the greater use of the telephone is not all bad news. For example, those with caring responsibilities for example can find it difficult to get someone to look after their cared for. Not everyone wanted or is able to give up hours to get to, wait, and then be seen at a Surgery for ten minutes when that same time on the telephone could be a less major disruption of someone’s day. It works better for some.

The other major change has been an expansion of the clinical team which now includes more specialists such as Advanced





Nurse Practitioners, pharmacists, and social prescribers. This means receptionists are now asking more questions of callers than in the past so they can direct patients to the best place: it is no longer always necessary to see the GP in every case. This expansion of expertise has helped counter the rising demand.

Looking ahead we are unlikely to return to a time when almost all appointments are face-to-face. Just to put into context, around 60% are currently face to face although this is across all clinical staff, including nurses and some appointments such as blood tests and personal examinations where needed are not possible without being in a room together. However, the phone and increasingly video and other digital means are likely to become more common and have been found to be as effective in many cases as 'seeing the doctor'.

*Ken Edwards, Chairman Baddow Village PPG*

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