

# The Maldon Society

## MEMBERS UPDATE - late MAY 2021

Dear Member,

The committee would like to bring the following items to your notice this time following their May meeting.

### **1. Book now for visit to 'Josua', 4 Silver Street on 19th and 20th June**

After the simply splendid talk by Tim Howson earlier this month, the owner of the building, Neil Bresler, has followed up on his generous offer to permit members of the Maldon Society to have a personally guided tour of the building. Please note that the building has steep stairs and some large steps to negotiate, uneven floors and is undergoing building work, so sensible shoes and a degree of mobility is definitely needed. Each tour of only 4 people will meet Neil on the hour in the car port on the side of the building, with each tour lasting approximately 45 minutes. Covid regulations will be fully observed.

To book your places please click on the following

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/maldon-society-visits-to-josua-4-silver-street-maldon-tickets-156480817337> . Members unable to do this but wanting to book a place can contact the membership secretary Jane Senior on 01621 851142.

### **2. Now's your chance to become our next secretary!**

No one begrudges Wendy Howell stepping down after 16 years but inevitably she leaves a big gap. Whilst our other busy members of the committee are offering to take on some functions which most relate to their own roles, there is a definite need for a minutes secretary for just ten committee meetings a year. Every help will be given by the chairman and others to ease you in.

Now's your chance to be involved in the running of this proactive society at the heart of Maldon's heritage. The only essential skill needed is basic use of a computer for emails and drafting agendas/minutes. Please make your offer or find out more by emailing [maldonsoc@aol.com](mailto:maldonsoc@aol.com) or if you prefer by having a personal word with myself on 01621 858875.

### **3. Flower arrangers needed to represent us at St. Mary's in August**

We have another opportunity this year for the Society to be represented in the Festival of Flowers which celebrates the different groups that make up our town community. It involves preparing an arrangement on 5th August for visitors to

view over the next three days. This year's theme is "Joy!". Anyone interested should email [maldonsociety@aol.com](mailto:maldonsociety@aol.com) or phone 01621 851142

**4. Interesting analyses of current planning issues to go on our website**

David Smye has recently been producing some interesting thoughts on current planning issues and you should shortly be able to see these appear on the society's website [maldonsoc.org](http://maldonsoc.org)

**5. Society contributing to Maritime History Week**

As our contribution to this year's history week's theme for the town, extracts from our oral and pictorial archives have been produced and can now be seen and heard on the society's website [maldonsoc.org](http://maldonsoc.org) or at the Maeldune Heritage Centre.

**6. 3rd June and 1st July Zoom Talks**

Please don't forget to register for these interesting talks -there's a direct link from our website. Those who cannot do this and want to hear the talk by phone can do so by dialing Tel: 0203 481 5240 and follow the instructions using the following Meeting ID: 838 9393 9643 and Passcode: 676586

And finally a couple of items of Maldon news.....

**6. Recoup your parking costs from participating High Street shops!**

Around the end of this month over 50 local shops will start a scheme to give you 50p back when presenting your car park receipt on buying goods of an individually predetermined value. (If you visit several shops you may well be able to recoup all of the fee...)

**7. Looking forward to celebrating the end of lockdown?**

Maldon is being thoroughly spoilt this summer with a whole host of various events planned. For those musically inclined for example there's Fantasia in Promenade Park on Saturday 31st July, and before then a whole varied Festival of Music organised by Colin Baldy from 25th June -to 11th July. So let's make the most of this summer whilst we can!

There really is much for all of us to enjoy very soon now, and we hope some of you will feel motivated to dust off your secretarial or flower arranging skills for us. We'd be most grateful.

With very best wishes for more warmth, less rain, and safe unlockdowning,

Judy Lea,  
Chairman