

## A message from the sponsors

RURAL Community Council of Essex (registered charity number 1097009) recognises that community magazines make a great contribution to life in our villages. These magazines keep people informed, entertained and are often the best way of finding out what's really happening in the community. By working with Essex Life and the Diocese of Chelmsford we hope we can offer more support and encouragement to the hard working volunteers who produce these magazines.

**Nick Shuttleworth - Executive Director, RCCE.**  
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WE ALL enjoy reading news which is local to where we live. Community magazines are written for the community by the community and they are some of our best read publications.

The volunteers who create the magazine and the readers who enjoy them share the same love of their neighbourhood. It is great to see this love in action.

I am delighted to join with Essex Life and the Rural Community Council of Essex in saying thank you and well done to all those who are involved in bringing the magazines out.

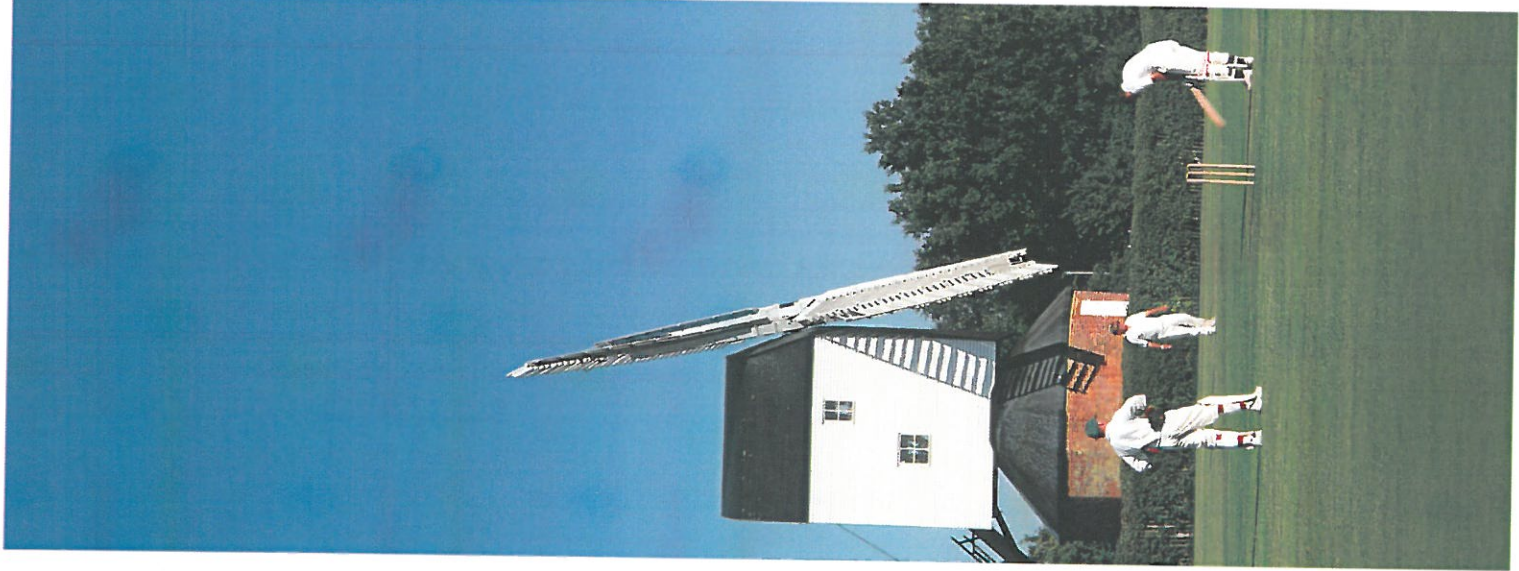
**Right Reverend Stephen Cottrell**  
**Bishop of Chelmsford**  
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LOCAL magazines are a key part of what makes our communities so special and vibrant. Essex Life is once again proud to be sponsoring the Essex Life Community Magazine Awards. Working alongside RCCE and the Diocese of Chelmsford, Essex Life is delighted to be able to support this celebration of local magazines and reward those that are contributing something quite outstanding to their communities.

**Julian Read**  
**Editor of Essex Life magazine**  
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## Community Magazine Awards 2014



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## How to take part in the Essex Life Community Magazine Awards

ESSEX LIFE, Rural Community Council of Essex (RCCCE) Newport News and the Diocese of Chelmsford are staging a competition to find the best community magazines in the county.

The local magazine is a much-loved feature of parish life and community magazines play an important role in our villages and towns. The Essex Life Community Magazine Awards are designed to recognise and reward the best magazines from 2014 and to give editors the opportunity to share ideas on creating informative, attractive and entertaining magazines.

### Who can enter?

The competition is open to editors of not-for-profit community or parish magazines in which all editorial work is undertaken on a voluntary basis.

### Judging

The magazines will be judged by representatives of Essex Life, RCCCE, the Diocese of Chelmsford and Newport News, who generously provide the principal prize. The judges will look at content, layout and production, but will focus particularly on content. They will be looking for magazines that contain news, features and information from across the local community.

### Awards

All magazines will be judged together in a single category. The following prizes will be on offer.

- 1st Prize (Newport News prize) £100
- 2nd Prize £60
- 3rd Prize £40

Certificates will also be awarded to other outstanding magazines. The winners will be announced at a special awards evening hosted by Essex Life which will be open to all short-listed entries. A free masterclass on magazine production will also be arranged. This will be open to all competition entrants.

### How to enter

To take part, simply complete the entry form opposite and return it to RCCCE with any three issues of your magazine from the past year.

The closing date for entries is **Monday 2nd March 2015.**



## Entry form

YES – Please enter my magazine in the Essex Life Community Magazine Awards

I have included three issues of my community magazine from the past 12 months

RSVP to:

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Name of magazine

Your name

Your address

Your phone number

Your e-mail address