

# HALSTEAD TOWN COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



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## THE RIVER

Have you seen the ducks resting on the beach, chatting in groups and taking the odd paddle in the water?

The work carried out recently by the Environment Agency in the river along the Causeway has made a huge difference to the look of the river. The 'rat hotel' has been removed and there are more ducks than ever.

The River care group and the Environment Agency are to be thanked for their hard work.

## HOLY TRINITY WALL

This is the year, in spite of all the obstacles, when Halstead Town Council managed to remove the risk from the Holy Trinity churchyard wall. The children can now safely walk past the wall, in the knowledge that it has been expertly surveyed and tied down to the ground through a system of helixes. It may not be upright, but it won't lean any further than it does now. Many thanks to Ed Morton and Bakers of Danbury



The Council has also repaired the other church wall at St Andrews after it was damaged by a passing vehicle, thanks to Steve Atkinson and Bulmer Brick and Tile.

## HTC COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS – PART OF ESSEX RESILIENCE FORUM

When the pandemic hit in March 2020, the Council received phone calls from many distressed residents who were too frail to go out but in need of food shopping and prescriptions waiting at the pharmacies. HTC coordinated a service between 40 volunteers and around 90 of those too vulnerable to leave their homes. This not only provided the essentials for those who were shielding, but also offered a friendly face and a conversation to those who were feeling isolated. Those who have been helped have said that this service gave them an immediate reassurance that they would be helped. Those

who have provided the service have also found it rewarding. This service has now been made permanent by HTC, and those in need just need to make a phone call.

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*Do you need shopping or prescriptions collected? HTC Community  
volunteers can help 07808547290*

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