Raid uncovers 723-plant cannabis factory inside old healthcare site

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HUNDREDS of cannabis plants have been found by police in a former NHS health clinic in Harlow.

It is thought the gang behind the operation housed in the empty premises at Wych Elm House was able to produce £800,000-worth of the drug every six weeks.

Officers uncovered a total of 723 plants in various stages of growth and with a potential street value of more than £1m when they raided the building on Sunday morning.

Hydroponics

As well as the crop, they seized a large quantity of advanced hydroponics equipment which had been used in the cultivation of the plants.

Investigating officer PC Tim Knights said: “We received information about the site on Saturday evening and a search warrant was obtained overnight.

“Officers executed the warrant at about 7am the next morning.”

Eight treatment rooms in the former clinic were equipped with lighting, watering and ventilation gear.

ILL-GOTTEN GAINS: Police estimate this factory could produce cannabis worth £800,000 every six weeks

I HAD NO IDEA: Nearby trader Martin Dunn outside the former health centre

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The raid came as a surprise to local traders, who had no idea of what was going on just a few yards from their premises.

Martin Dunn, 52, who runs Essex Bathrooms and Kitchens, said, "It was shocking to hear what was going on above where we are working."

There are 12 staff here and we work from 6am to late but we had no suspicion.

"There was no smell or, even a cover-up smell. We heard foot steps but we thought it may have been a ghost, I had no inkling at all."

"We were shocked when customers were coming in on Monday saying that we were on the front page of The Sun."

Dennis Harris, 53, who works at HPS Motorcycles, said, "I had no suspicions."

"It was being used by people from the hospital but it was closed around six months ago."

Surprised

"The first we heard about it was this morning and I was quite surprised," said Mason Hendry, who works at Ripped Gym. "It did not bother me too much, really. I heard about it this morning when a friend texted me."

"It's Harlow after all, what do you expect?"

PC Knights added: "We are carrying out extensive enquiries and are appealing for information from the public."

"We would like to hear from anyone who saw people regularly going to the site and perhaps carrying large boxes of equipment or seedlings."

"We also urge people to let us know if they see signs of cannabis cultivation such as blacked out windows, people regularly attending sites that are disused and regular deliveries of large boxes or materials to empty properties."

ST MARY'S CHURCH

Grave concern over ‘dodgy’ headstones

Safety fears spark search for descendants

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CHURCH authorities are appealing for help to trace the descendants of a number of people buried at one of Harlow’s oldest churches.

A SMALL but iconic piece of television history came to Harlow on Saturday when the original Batmobile from the 1960s Batman series arrived in the town centre.

The car, which was built in 1966, was one of four identical batmobiles constructed to be used in the first ever series of the show which featured Adam West as the Caped Crusader.

Shoppers who arrived early at the Water Gardens to see it being driven into place by Esquires and Grooms were treated to the spectacle of the car’s flamethrower afterburner which is still in working order.

It’s arrival was timed to coincide with Father’s Day weekend. Dads and sons were able to have their pictures taken in the driving seat.

Dads were also entered into a lucky dip for instant win prizes.

Water Gardens manager Beryl Murphy said: “It was a really

People to The cinema and theatre

Joseph and Elizabeth Appleton, a second Elizabeth Appleton, Annie and

Benjamin Fairchild, Susanna Low and

John Woodrow.

We were approached by the Diocese of Chelmsford to make the appeal to descendants,” said Mr Curtis. “The procedure within the church means we are required to ask around before we lay down any dodgy gravestones.

"You can’t use the phone book any more to track people down and it’s not as easy these days, even with Google.

"I’m hoping we can contact these people by running a story in the Star."

He added: "The matter will go to the church authorities in Chelmsford at the end of August and we will then get a yes or no."

"If things go according to plan we will begin to lower the stones in the autumn."

Anyone with family connections to the people laid to rest beneath the headstones should contact Mr Curtis on 07720 996990.

BAT WONDER: Abi and Charlie Wickenden in the Batmobile which arrived in Harlow town centre on Saturday quirky way of celebrating Father’s Day and fantastic to see so much interest."

Boy wonder: Abi, Charlie Wickenden in the Batmobile which arrived in Harlow town centre on Saturday
77 arrested in drink and drug crackdown on county’s roads

MORE than 70 people have been arrested on suspicion of drink or drug driving during the first three weeks of Essex Police’s summer crackdown.

The campaign was launched at the beginning of the month and figures released by the force on Tuesday revealed that a total of 881 drivers had been stopped. Of the 791 who were breathalysed, 73 were arrested on suspicion of drink driving while over the legal alcohol limit or for refusing or failing to provide a breath test.

Four drivers have been arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of drugs.

A spokesman for Essex Police said: “Our officers take robust action against drink and drug drivers 365 days a year but will continue to take part in the national summer campaign until the end of the month. MOTORISTS who were caught filming the scene of a serious crash on the M25 in Essex are to be prosecuted.

Closed

The carriageway at Thorrock was closed for nine hours on Tuesday while the emergency services dealt with the aftermath of an accident involving three heavy goods vehicles.

Police officers saw some motorists who were diverted past the accident or who were driving on the opposite carriageway slowing down to photograph or film the scene on mobile phones. As a result, more than 40 will receive warnings that they will be summoned to court for careless driving or for using a mobile phone while driving. Adam Pipe, casualty reduction manager for Essex Police, said: “Officers dealing with this serious collision were shocked and disappointed at the behaviour of drivers passing the scene. Although vehicles were passing slowly, the offending drivers were distracted and could easily have caused further crashes that could have caused injury or added to delays.

“They were not in proper control of their vehicles and that means they were driving carelessly.”

The family of a woman who lost her battle against breast cancer has given £25,000 to the clinical trials unit at Harlow’s Princess Alexandra Hospital and St Margaret’s Hospital in Epping.

The money donated by Jean and Mike Falco, trustees of the Maria Falco Memorial Trust, will sponsor the lead research nurse post at the unit. The charity was set up by their daughter Maria, who began raising funds for the unit after she was diagnosed with the disease. She wanted all women with breast cancer to have access to the latest treatments available.

Maria died in 2005 at the age of 39 but her parents, along with Maria’s sister Helen, friends and other charity trustees Kevin Bunce and Reg Geggus, have continued fundraising.

The charity has raised more than £220,000 since it was launched.

Mrs Falco, 71, of Woodford

MARIA’S LEGACY: Left to right, Mike and Jean Falco, lead research nurse Ruth McCreanor, Helena Williams and Maria Falco Memorial Trust trustee Kevin Bunce

Green, said: “It’s not as easy to raise money now but what keeps driving me on is Maria. She’d be absolutely thrilled that we carried on her fundraising.”

Her husband added: “We want to carry on because the trials have real treatment outcomes. Herceptin, one of the most widely used breast cancer treatment drugs, was trialled at the Princess Alexandra Hospital.”

Mum-of-two Helena, 46, who lives in Sawbridgeworth and works part-time for the trials unit’s research nurses, said: “My sister’s biggest wish was for us to carry on because she didn’t want this to happen to other people so it’s nice to carry on her legacy.”

Ashraf Patel, associate specialist in breast surgery, said: “The Falco family are fantastic long-term supporters of our clinical trials unit and without them we could not have undertaken some of our important research.”

Police investigate bus driver video

Clip appears to show him using mobile phone

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A VIDEO recording of a bus driver apparently using a mobile phone while at the wheel of his vehicle is being investigated by police.

And the video shows the driver of the Town Link bus with one hand on the wheel and his other hand holding the phone to his ear as he drives along Epping High Street.

The video, which was taken by Harlow cyclist Dave Sherry over the weekend and uploaded to YouTube, has been viewed by almost 2,000 people, with many posting comments critical of the driver.

The footage was passed on to Essex Police after it was posted online. A police spokesman confirmed: “We have been passed footage of a bus driver allegedly using a mobile phone at the wheel of his vehicle.”

“The offence is alleged to have happened on Saturday in Epping High Street. The matter is currently being investigated by the Collision Reduction Investigation Team at South Woodham Ferrers.”

The Star contacted Town Link for a response but it declined to comment.

Mr Sherry, who has attached a camera to his cycle helmet to record examples of poor driving, has shamed more than 400 motorists online with his videos.

He cycles almost 40 miles a day and started recording dangerous drivers after he was hit by a car.

It is against the law to drive while using a mobile. Anyone convicted could face charges of a £100 fine and three penalty points on a driving license.

It is confirmed the driver was using the phone, he could also be subject to disciplinary hearings as the video showed several passengers to be on board the bus at the time.
Town parking is a real pain

SIR Struggling to park outside your home is frustrating but being unable to park in the road you live is intolerable and, on occasion, expensive.

My partner and I moved to Harberts Road Springs more than seven years ago when parking throughout the estate was controlled by permits. But as a result of a rule change – and presumably the cost of painting bays on the road – permits for the Harberts Road side of the estate were removed.

For a year or so being sandwiched between two permit-controlled zones – Little Grove Field and Harriet Street – wasn’t a problem. Then, after justified complaints from residents in roads near P AH, the council introduced permits and forced hospital workers to look elsewhere. That’s when they found Harberts Road.

Now when I return home from work there is nowhere to park. I can’t park elsewhere because of the permits so where do I go? On occasion I’ve been forced to pay to park at the town centre and look elsewhere.

In this really good enough Harlow Council? Do they even consider the implications of creating more permit zones near those without them?

To add insult to injury I was told that because I lived on the Harberts Road side of the estate I could not apply for a permit to park in the rest of Harriet Street Springs.

Parking is a problem across a town that was not designed for the number of cars owned by modern households. But the blame for this problem lies largely with the council and is a lack of forward thinking.

name and address supplied

Give cowslips time to grow

SIR Further to the debate about grass cutting, the area around Staple Tye is cut too often to allow cowslips to multiply on the Southern Way bank while the trees and bushes between the Staple Tye car park and Lister House have grown more than half way across the pavement.

They are hanging so low that pedestrians have to duck and walk in single file to get by, this is dangerous for blind people.

The council men used to keep it looking so nice.

Gwen Wright

address supplied

SIR Can someone tell me why it takes four Kier workers to cut a lawn outside a property?

One cuts, one sweeps and two stand around watching. What a waste of public money.

Nigel Pittey

address supplied

Thank you to mystery man

SIR May I take the opportunity to say a big thank you to the kind gentleman and his friend who selflessly assisted in the search for a missing four-year-old girl in Longhanks. He disappeared before I could catch his name.

Thankfully the little girl was located by a determined and brilliant police team who returned her to a grateful and emotional father.

Well done everyone involved.

Community spirit is what makes a housing estate a homestead.

SIR

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Sorry, Rob, but Posh is right

SIR I could not believe what Robert Hallon said in response to Victoria Beckham’s comments on Harlow. She was quite right. Mr Hallon talks about our wonderful town. Is he on this planet?

He needs to walk by the bus station where you are greeted by pigeons attacking you and, if you are unlucky enough, being hit by a beer can.

It was a lovely town years ago when people were friendly in their homes, but not now. Shops are closing all the time. I wonder if Mr Hallon would like to take Mrs Beckham to see our closed Marks & Spencer, the Odeon cinema or Little Wals? I’m sure she would love to see that.

Please wake up and help get our town back before it’s too late.

Mrs Cole

Church Langley, Harlow

Coverage was very positive

SIR Your coverage of young people in a recent edition of the Star was very uplifting. ‘Spotlight shines in high flyers and those who motivate them’ (June 11).

It is encouraging to see space given to the true face of young people today.

The vast majority of young people in Harlow are caring and ambitious. They want to do well in life and contribute to society. So their courage, commitment and achievement deserves to be highlighted.

Well done on focusing on the positive contribution that our young people make.

Jack Petchey CBE

Jack Petchey Foundation, Ilford

Giving carers a short break

SIR Earlier this month the nation celebrated Carers Week. I’d like to tell your readers how our charity is just as devoted to supporting carers as carers are to supporting their loved ones.

Koseco’s 146,400 carers form a significant proportion of the 1.3 million-strong population of carers living across London and the south east. We understand that many of these carers work relentlessly to provide support to their loved ones – but what if the carer is simply unable to carry on coping?

We’ve conducted plentiful research in recent years into the impact that a lack of time away from caring can have.

We found that 80 per cent of carers feel the health of their loved ones ahead of their own and 40 per cent said that a lack of time away from caring led them to feelings of depression.

With as many as four out of 10 carers not having taken any time off from caring in the past year, often working 24/7, it is vital that we provide as many carers as possible with the opportunity to take regular respite breaks and help to restore their ability to cope.

That’s why we want to remind carers that we’re here to help.

I work for Revitalise, an amazing local charity that provides respite holidays for disabled people and their carers from around the region and beyond at our Jubilee Lodge holiday centre in Dunstable.

We understand the significance of being able to leave the stresses of everyday life behind, if only for a short while – that’s why our breaks serve to restore, rejuvenate and reinvigorate, just like our name suggests!

If any of your readers would like to find out more about Revitalise, our breaks or ways that we can help, please call 0300 333 9475 or visit www.revitalise.org.uk

Stephanie Stone

Revitalise, London N18 QH

Can we have your pay rise?

SIR I was delighted to read reports that MPs across the country may be donating their proposed pay rises to charity.

I hope when making such donations, MPs will consider giving to charities such as the British Polio Fellowship, as many smaller charities such as ourselves, even small donations make a massive difference to the services we provide.

The British Polio Fellowship is committed to supporting and supporting young people living with polio and PPS, the latter effects of polio and PPS, and we hope those MPs declining a salary increase will consider us.

Donations allow us to assist those living with polio and PPS, to support their families with support, advice and guidance.

If you need our help, we are just a click, phone call or email away.

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Ted Hill, chief executive
British Polio Fellowship

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Challenge to encourage healthy lifestyle changes

A PROJECT aiming to help more than 1,000 people lead a healthy lifestyle will launch next month.

Following on from the success of No Junk July last year, personal trainers Mitch Price and Caroline Collins are running the challenge again next month and hope to sign 1,000 people up.

Jason Fryer, pictured right with Mrs Collins, has already signed up.

Jason, who lives in Harlow, said: “I did NJJ last year. It was amazing, especially the end result, but like many I fell off the wagon as the year went on and since then have put in over a stone in weight. I am going to prove that this time I am going to make this a permanent lifestyle change.

Under the challenge participants will give up junk food for the month of July and attempt daily workouts which changes each week.

Mitch said: “No-Junk July was created to help people looking get their diet on track through healthy eating, by going back to basics with a fun challenge that provided a sense of community too. Hundreds of people take part each year with many seeing improvements in their body.”

To sign up search No Junk July on Facebook and Twitter.

Free fobs are the key in safety scheme

HUNDREDS of Harlow residents over the age of 60 have been given free key fobs as part of a countywide safety scheme.

The Keep Safe fobs contain telephone numbers of relatives, friends and carers and can be used to contact someone in situations where the holder is feeling unwell, disorientated or upset.

More than 50 venues in the town, including libraries and shops which display the Keep Safe logo, provide free access to a telephone or will make a call on behalf of someone producing their fob.

Harlow Council deputy leader Emma Toal said: “The scheme helps people, especially older residents, keep their independence so they can continue to go out and about without feeling vulnerable.”

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“A recent trip to hospital I couldn’t remember my daughter’s mobile phone number. The nurse took the number from my Keep Safe fob and rang my daughter directly, so it was very useful indeed.”

To join the scheme contact Becci Court on (0279) 446455 or email becci.court@harlow.gov.uk

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The man was hit by a Stansted Express train on route from the airport to London Liverpool Street.

The identity of the victim has not yet been released and a file is being prepared and will be sent to the Essex coroner.

A BTP spokesman said that the incident was being treated as “non-suspicious”.

The incident disrupted rush hour services on the line, with scheduled trains between London Liverpool Street and Cambridge and Stansted Airport subjected to delays into the evening.

In some cases journeys were extended by up to 40 minutes because of the incident and a bus service between Broxbourne and Bishop’s Stortford was in operation from 7.30am.

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Inspirational Aimee Chung fights back against school bullies

Teenager using her own experience to help others

Gemma Gardner

A brave schoolgirl who was taunted by bullies has launched a social media campaign to encourage victims to speak out.

Aimee Chung is reaching out to young people across Harlow, who may be suffering in silence at the hands of their tormentors.

The inspirational 15-year-old, who lives in the Latten Green area, suffered a relentless campaign of mental and physical abuse from fellow pupils over a six-year period.

Her health deteriorated, her confidence evaporated and she ended up suffering from anxiety.

But now the St Marks West Essex Catholic School student is fighting back by launching a new venture – Stop Bullying: Save A Life – to educate schoolteachers and pupils on the issues surrounding bullying and where they can go for help.

“I don’t think that people realise how big of an impact this sort of thing has on people, long-term or short,” Aimee explained. “These experiences will stick with that person for the rest of their lives. It’s not right for one to have to live through with that person for the rest of their lives. This is why I want to do this.”

Aimee, who lives with her parents and two younger sisters Joanne, 13, and Chloe, 10, is currently studying for her GCSEs. She has always been told to ignore it and not do anything. Nevertheless, never tell someone to ignore it – it’s the worst advice ever.

“Bullying – maybe it won’t ever stop. That’s how society is. However, we can still change the way others perceive and react. We can make a difference as a community.”

Almost half (46 per cent) of children and young people said they had been bullied at school at some point in their lives, according to the NSPCC, while 18 per cent who were worried about bullying said they would not talk to their parents about it.

Aimee, who lives with her parents and sisters Joanne, 13, and Chloe, 10, is currently studying for her GCSEs. She has already spoken with a number of adults and young people through the page, which can be found on Facebook.

Fact file

- Almost 45,000 children talked to Childline about bullying last year
- More than 1,400 young people talked to Childline about racist bullying last year
- Over half of lesbian, gay and bisexual young people have experienced homophobic bullying at school
- More than 16,000 young people are absent from school due to bullying
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- There are no official statistics on the number of children who are bullied

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Couple’s plea for return of £10,000 ring

A COUPLE are offering a reward of £10,000 for the return of a diamond-encrusted eternity ring which was lost during a night out.

Property manager Steve Redmond and wife Charmain, of Middle Street, Sazeing, were dining at a restaurant in Hoddesdon on Saturday when Mrs Redmond left the £10,000 ring in the bathroom.

Mr Redmond, 46, said: “I got it for her 13 years ago. We were having a baby and we lost it five months into the pregnancy.

“It was devastating, we were trying really hard to have a baby.”

The couple went on to have two sons but the ring has great sentimental value.

“When Charmain realised it was missing she started crying,” said Mr Redmond. “I never slept the whole night.”

Mr Redmond reported the loss to police and has also contacted the National Pawnbrokers Association and the British Cheque and Credit Association.

The ring is described as large, made of silver and weighs around 20g. It includes 57 diamonds.

Restaurant owner Adam Marconato said: “I devoted my time to open the show. I think it’s just a rehashing of an old plan and doesn’t address the concerns of residents living in Old Harlow.”

Last year, a consultation into the new junction was shelved after residents complained of not being able to register a negative response.

Since then the Conservative-run county council, as the highways authority, has been investigating various options to improve access into and out of the Harlow area, including options for a new junction 7A connecting to the M11 between junctions 7 and 8.

There will be a series of exhibitions to present the current status of these investigations and to show the options being considered.

These will include the proposals for the new junction on the M11, and the likely effects on the surrounding area, including Gilden Way and The Campsows.

Information

Three staffed public exhibitions will be held in the east Harlow area during July. They have been designed to provide current information about all of the options being considered, and to explain where in the planning process we are.

They will also show the steps involved in selecting the preferred route option and set out the timetable for when and how Essex County Council will be formally consulting on this.

The first exhibition will be held on Tuesday, July 7 at Sheering Village Hall between 1.30pm and 8pm. This will be followed by exhibitions at St John’s Art and Recreation Centre in Old Harlow on Thursday, July 9 and Wednesday, July 15, both between 2pm and 8pm.

Proposal includes option for northern bypass

ESSEX County Council has restarted its consultation for a proposed new junction for the M11 at Harlow.

Harlow has significant traffic congestion problems during peak times which will get worse as the town grows.

County Hall say a solution is needed to reduce the increasing strain on the local road network, a situation which is exacerbated by the existing very limited connections to the wider road network.

As part of the consultation residents will be asked for their views on the plans, which also include measures for a future northern by-pass of Harlow.

Concerns

But Harlow councillor Mike Danvers says the scheme is “pie in the sky” and does not address the concerns of residents living in Gilden Way and Old Harlow.

“The new junction will still lead onto Gilden Way, where there is currently development,” he said.

“I think it’s just a rehashing of an old plan and doesn’t address the concerns of residents living in Old Harlow.”

The six students who won achievement awards were Dan Cox, Lizzie Hunt, Kieran Berry, Liam Etheridge, Natasha Gunn and Matt Seeley. Martin Elven, co-ordinator at the Harlow Youth Hub-based school was also presented with a leader award.

“This award is for everyone,” he said. “I’m not in it for the plaudits. I devote my time because what I get in return is immeasurable.”

HARD work paid off for young musicians at Harlow Rock School who scooped six honours at the Jack Petchey awards.

The 2015 awards were held at Harlow Playhouse, with MP Robert Halfon presenting honours to inspiring youngsters.

Rock School opened the show in typical style with a student performance of Airbourne classic Too Much, Too Young, Too Fast.
Olympic bid by Mark Hall pupils

HARLOW: Daring students from Mark Hall Academy in Harlow will take to the water for an Olympic challenge at the Lee Valley White Water Centre as part of a London 2012 legacy event.

Pupils from the First Avenue secondary school will join 500 other participants from across the region for canoeing and rafting activities at the centre in Waltham Cross on Wednesday July 8.

Leading British canoeists will be on hand to offer advice and tips.

Launch mode

HARLOW: Shabana Begum has become the latest Harlow College graduate to leave an imprint in the fashion world after achieving a top honour at the University of East London.

Miss Begum, 22, was chosen to open the prestigious Graduate Fashion Week on May 31.

She made the transition to study for a BA (Hons) Fashion Design at the university after gaining a Level 3 fashion qualification at Harlow College.

Family values

HARLOW: Kiddi Caru Nursery, in Kiln Lane, devoted a week to celebrate the importance of family values.

Topics included families in different cultures and countries, the lives of families through the ages, real-life and fictional families and even animal families.

In brief

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School aims to build up social skills with Lego

William Mata

LEARNING vital social skills is child’s play for pupils at one Harlow primary school.

Freshwaters Academy, in School Lane, has adopted the technique of Lego therapy to help children to interact.

Working in groups of three, the youngsters take on the roles of architect, builder and supplier. Once the architects have designed a building, they must use their communication skills to describe their plans to the builder.

The builder must then use their listening skills before establishing what materials – in the form of Lego bricks – they will need and put in their order with the supplier.

Challenges

Once the process is completed, they switch roles and learn to understand the challenges other people face.

Head of school Marios Solomonides said: “These sessions teach the children to listen and understand, to tolerate each other when the situation gets frustrating, to take their time to explain themselves clearly and to realise what it’s like to be in someone else’s position.”

Lego therapy has been used successfully among children with autism but Freshwaters is using the programme to benefit many of its pupils.

Mr Solomonides added: “We were invited to complete the training and our special educational needs learning assistant Humera Hamid was keen to go along.

‘Before the course she had already researched the idea and put it into action the very next day after her training was completed."

DIVERSITY was the theme of the academy’s summer celebration, which took the form of a party in the park instead of a traditional school disc.

It showcased the range of cultures, fashion and talents in the school and included music, dance, cooking and art.
GP ‘revolution’ will help cure ailing NHS

MP says 7-day service will ease pressure on hospital A&Es

William Mata

GOVERNMENT plans to give struggling health care services a shot in the arm by introducing seven-day GP appointments have been welcomed by Harlow’s MP.

Robert Halfon, who met Princess Alexandra Hospital chief executive Phil Morley last week to discuss proposals championed by Health Secretary Jeremy Hunt, said reforms were key to tackling the growing pressure on overstretched hospital A&E departments.

GP waiting times in the town are currently higher than the national average, with 18 per cent of people having to wait for more than a week to get an appointment compared to a UK average of 16 per cent.

Mr Hunt said on Friday the Government wanted to see a seven-day service introduced during the course of the next parliament.

In return, more money would be invested in general practice and there would be a drive to recruit 10,000 more primary care clinicians, including 5,000 GPs.

He said: “If we do not find better, smarter ways to help our growing elderly population remain healthy and independent our hospitals will be overwhelmed. That is why we need effective, strong and expanding general practice more than ever before in the history of the NHS.”

Dr Chaand Nagpaul, of the British Medical Association, said GPs were prepared to work with the Government but wanted seven-day services were not necessarily the solution to the problem.

This week Mr Hallen praised what he described as the ‘Harrison’ performance of PAH where 91 per cent of A&E patients are being seen within target times and where 95 per cent gave a positive response to their experience.

A report by the CQC inspectors earlier this year acknowledged the area faces significant challenges.

The cyclists hope to raise thousands for GravityLight, a charity award-winning lighting firm and are looking for more people to take part or get involved in sponsoring them.

In Harlow, Bishop's Stortford and surrounding areas, the team behind the station are appealing for the community for both those who want to get involved on the technical side or the presenting side.

The stall will be manned by the local doctors and nurses providing appointments over the weekend. These will be accessed via patients’ normal GP and will involve local doctors and nurses providing services from hubs across Harlow, Epping Forest and Uttlesford.

“We are very excited to have the opportunity to test weekend GP services and the benefits it will bring to patients,” said Dr Gerlis.

Nursing home requires some improvements say inspectors

A NURSING home in Harlow has been rated as ‘requiring improvement’ following a visit by the Care Quality Commission.

A report by the CQC inspectors on Alexandra House, in Hamstall Road, flagged up weaknesses in the five categories.

It said that in terms of being well-led and effective, it required improvement. However, in the three other categories of being safe, caring and responsive the home was judged to be good.

Alexandra House, which is run by Runwood Homes Ltd, is a purpose-built nursing home providing care for up to 106 people, many who have needs associated with dementia.

During the two-day visit which took place last December, the inspectors spoke to 11 residents, five relatives, four visiting healthcare professionals and 10 members of staff including the service’s care manager, deputy manager and regional manager.

Consistent

In a summary of the inspectors’ findings, the report states: “People’s health care needs were assessed, and care planned and delivered in a way that was consistent.”

However, we found that the information and guidance provided to staff was not always clear. It would not always enable them to provide appropriate and individual care.

Any risks associated with people needing more assessment and plans were in place to minimise the risks. However, staff were unsure if they could keep people safe.

The report added: “People were happy with the service they were receiving and we received many positive comments about the service and the staff team.”

Julian Logan, managing director of Runwood Homes, said: “Although the report says the better care needs to be improved, the more in-depth details shows a positive reflection of the service provided.

“The home was rated as good in three of the five inspected areas where the service was found to be safe, caring and responsive. The new management team in place at the time of inspection has now been established and, as stated in the CQC report, staff morale is good.”

In brief

Lighting firm staff take on challenge

HARLOW: A lighting company will mark 30 years in business by embarking on a tough charity cycle trek to its namesake 1,200km away.

Staff from Lumino, which is based in Harlow, ill take on the gruelling challenge of cycling to the town of Lumino in Switzerland.

The cyclists hope to raise thousands for GravityLight, to support production of the charity’s award-winning design.

The innovative product lives up to its name – a light that is powered by gravity alone, meaning those without electricity can still light their homes.

The trip takes place from September 4-12 and Lumino are looking for more people to take part or get involved in sponsoring them.


Community radio

HARLOW: A community radio station based in Harlow is looking for volunteers.

Phoenix Community Radio is an online radio station for Harlow, Bishop's Stortford and surrounding areas.

The station, which works alongside Phoenix Resource Centre Harlow in East Gate, is streaming digitally.

The team behind the station are appealing for the community for both those who want to get involved on the technical side or the presenting side.

Visit Phoenix Community Radio at www.phoenixcommunityradio.org.uk.

Can you lend a hand?

HARLOW: A volunteering service will be asking Harlow residents to consider lending a hand around the town at a drop-in session next week.

Volunteers Centre Harlow will offer information, advice and opportunities from their pop-up stall in the town centre library.

The stall will be manned from 10am to 2pm on Tuesday (June 30) but for those unable to attend more information is available online on the website at www.volunteercentreharlow.org.uk.

What you said on Facebook

Ann Crisp: When you feel poorly how do you know if it’s serious or not without seeing a doctor?

There is no in between, no chance of appointment within a couple of days and that’s what needs to change.

Annabelle Kyte: Went to book a routine appointment as per the letter from my GP. First appointment one month later!

Jan Scott Hewlett: Hardly ever have to see a doctorFortunately last two times I have tried to make an appointment I have had to wait a minimum of three weeks.

Mark Randall: I have been to the fire line whatever they do. Surely with all surgeries running at full capacity it would be impossible to go to an appointment immediately unless you are one of the lucky ones who get through first thing in the morning.

Sarah Sullivan: I don’t bother anymore because I’m sick of seeing a nurse. If I ask for a doctor I want to see a doctor.

Joanne Crafton: I cannot understand why the doctors are shut at the weekends. People do not stop being ill because it’s Friday and it’s 5 o’clock. Doctors should be open every day, then there would not be the problems at the hospitals.

Karen Protheroe: How can you make an appointment to be ill?

Regular appointments should be cancelled but a surgery should be open to anyone who wakes up feeling ill.

Stuart Crook: I have never had a problem. If you need an urgent appointment you phone up at 8.30am and I have always been fitted in. Great doctors and great reception.
Railway’s trip back to 1940s

Event revives memories of wartime Britain

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VISITORS to the Epping Ongar Railway took a step back in time for its annual 1940s event.

Wartime re-enactments, live performances from the A2 Jive Band and vintage vehicles all helped to ensure there was something for everyone at the event, which is staged every year to coincide with the Queen’s birthday.

It was held at both North Weald and Ongar stations and run in collaboration with the Zinc Arts Centre which played host to a collection of vintage cars and stalls selling sweet treats and vintage crafts.

As well as re-enactments by the Hertfordshire Home Guard Living History Group, Military Police and array of stalls and displays on show, visitors were treated to an impromptu performance by the Stage One Theatre School, who also put on a number of wartime mini productions at Zinc Arts.

Success

“We had well over 1,000 people over the two days despite the bad weather, which from our point of view is a great success,” said Epping Ongar Railway business development manager Dean Walton.

“A lot of people naturally came in 1940s dress to add to the feel of the weekend which was great fun.

“We had some great feedback on the day saying what a great time they had.”

The heritage railway also laid on a number of heritage buses that picked up guests from Shenfield and Epping stations for the event.

“Saturday was quieter than Sunday so we may have been hit by the weather in terms of numbers,” added Mr Walton.

“When the weather is not so good first thing in the morning, when people are thinking about what to do with their day, we tend not to get as many people come.

“But a good day was had by all and we are now looking forward to launching into the main summer season.”

Photos: Gareth Morgan

SONGS FROM THE ERA: Above, Pat Watkinson of A2 Jive sings at North Weald station. Below, dancing to Glenn Miller classics

IN COSTUME: Above, dressing up in vintage clothes. Right, Jasmine and Penny Pettman take a look at one of the machine guns

PLAYING THE PART: Above left, Nina Snow and Doug Grant. Above right, dancing to the jive band

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Victim of fraud speaks out to raise awareness

FRAUDSTERS stole more than £7,000 from an 87-year-old Harlow man by posing as bank officials in a telephone scam.

Pensioner James Ward, 87, has lived in Harlow since the 1960s. His children have long since left home and his late wife Amy passed away three years ago.

He has worked since he was 14 and has always been careful with money – putting aside enough for his retirement.

On Wednesday, April 29, between 9.30am and 10am, Mr Ward was on his own watching snooker on the television, when he was interrupted by a phone call from someone who claimed to be from the bank.

They told him they were investigating fraudulent activity on his account.

Private

Convinced he was talking to the bank, he openly discussed private information, his various accounts, and then finally told the caller his PIN.

The caller then asked Mr Ward to come to the bank, but when he told them he was unable to get there easily, they offered to send a courier.

They told him they needed to collect the card urgently.

Within an hour a courier was walking up Mr Ward’s driveway to collect the card.

Later that night, he caught the first available bus to the town centre the next day and went to the bank but by then it was too late.

The fraudsters had already spent £7,700 on his credit card.

Mr Ward has since been reimbursed by his bank.

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Detectives believe there may be more victims of this fraud and need them to come forward.

Call police on the non-emergency number 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

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Mr Sothisrihari tried to push the burglars off before he was assaulted.

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Hospices hit back at ‘negative’ TV images

STAFF at St Clare Hospice are backing a national campaign to counter the “negative” portrayal of hospice care in recent prime-time television drama.

“The #notdingy campaign was started after hospices were described as dingy and gloomy in recent episodes of EastEnders and Casualty,” said Jonathan Ellis, director of policy and advocacy at Hospice UK.

“We were disappointed with the references to hospices in both EastEnders and Casualty as gloomy or dingy as it is worlds away from the reality of modern hospice care. We decided to challenge this on social media and encourage hospices to post photos of what they are actually like. We’ve been delighted by the response. Quite rightly, many of them feel strongly about this and are very proud of the services they offer and the tremendous difference they make in their communities.”

World of fun for Brownies

GOLFERs and footballers heading for North Weald can now enjoy the village club on a bus.

North Weald Golf Club and the Shooters Five-a-side centre have been working with bus company Town Link to provide them on a scheduled service.

As a result, the number 19 Harlow to Ripley service will now stop outside the golf club and soccer centre in Rayley Lane.

“A new bus shelter has been paid for by the club and is currently under construction,” said Stacey Smith, of North Weald Golf Club.

“We are delighted the new service will put the club and Shooters on the public transport map and integrate the facility for all local residents.”

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JEAN DOROTHEA
LOVEGROVE
Passed away suddenly on 16th June. Jean will be greatly missed by her Husband Vernon, Daughters, Sons in Law, Grandchildren, family and friends. Funeral service will take place at St Mary’s Church, Great Parndon on Monday 29th June 2015 at 2.00pm followed by burial at Pardon Wood Cemetery. Flowers or donations, if desired, made payable to either “PAM ICU” or “PAM Stroke Unit” may be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow CM20 1QP. Tel: 01279 426990.

Doreen BURKE
Passed away peacefully at St Clare Hospice on the 21st June 2015. Will be sadly missed by Ron, Tony, Daughter Gill and Grandchildren Paul, Ricky and Jade. The service will be taking place on Friday 3rd July 2015 at The Salvation Army, Tendring Road, Harlow at 14.15. Committal will take place at Pardon Wood Crematorium 15.15. All Welcome. Flowers or donations for The Salvation Army may be sent to Daniel Robinson & Sons, Robinson House, Wych Elm, Harlow CM20 1QP. Tel: 01279 426990.

VERA GEERING
Passed away peacefully at ‘Age Concern’ on the 28th June 2015. A much loved mother to Christine, Pauline and Alan, a wonderful grandmother to Lisa, Amanda, Jessica and Rosanna and a great-grandmother to Freddie. Will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. Funeral service to take place at Pardon Wood Crematorium on Monday 6th July 2015 at 11.30am. All are welcome. Flowers or donations made payable to ‘Age Concern’ may be sent c/o Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow CM20 1QP. Tel: 01279 426990.

DEAN PEARSON
Passed away suddenly on 5th June 2015, aged 42 years. The beloved Son to Ann and Dave, a much loved Brother to Darren and a wonderful Father to Jake. He will be sadly missed by all his family and many friends. R.I.P. Dean’s Funeral Service is to be held on Friday 19th June 2015 at 11.30 a.m. at Noosa Crematorium. All enquiries and flowers to Masterson Funeral Home Ltd, Independent and Family Owned, Station Road, Old Harlow, Essex CM17 6AS. Tel: 01279 626238.

ARThUR ROY HYD
Sadly passed away at the Princess Alexandra Hospital on Thursday 11th June 2015 aged 90 years. Now reunited with his wife Ivy Rose. A dearly loved Dad, Grandad, Great Granddad also known as Great, Nono Arthur. He will be missed by his family and friends. Funeral service to take place at Pardon Wood Crematorium Chapel on Tuesday 30th June 2015 at 12.15pm followed by burial at the cemetery. Flowers may be sent to Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow CM20 1QP. Telephone number 01279 426990.

MAUREEN PATRICIA
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CHARLES THOMAS RHUANE ‘CHARLIE’
Peacefully at St Clare Hospice on 22nd June 2015, aged 88 years. The beloved Husband of Alice, a dear Dad to Charlie, John, Bernadette, Gerard and Jackie and a wonderful and loving Granddad and Great Grandad. He will be sadly missed by all his family here and in Ireland and many friends. R.I.P. Charlie will be accepted into Holy Cross R.C. Church on Sunday 5th July 2015 at 7.00pm. His Requiem Mass will be held on Monday 6th July 2015 at 12.30pm followed by Burial in Pardon Wood Cemetery. All flowers and Enquiries to Masterson Funeral Home Ltd, Independent and Family Owned, Station Road, Old Harlow, Essex CM17 6AS. Tel: 01279 626238.

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BRIAN’s Funeral will take place at Pardon Wood Crematorium Chapel on Thursday 2nd July at 11.30am followed by Burial in the cemetery. Flowers or donations, if desired, make payable to either ‘PAH ICU’ or ‘PAH Stroke Unit’. Flowers may be sent to Daniel Robinson & Sons, Wych Elm, Harlow CM20 1QP. Tel: 01279 426990.

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28th June 2013
Two years ago you were taken from your family and friends and we think of you every single day.
We all miss and love you.
With all our love
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PERRY KING
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We’ll treasure all the years we shared and all the love you gave. We miss you so much our hearts ache. Love you always Perry.
Mum and Dad
x x

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Perry, I’ve filed endless albums since you had to depart because memories are photos taken by the heart.
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Perry, Two years have passed but there is still not a day that goes by when we don’t think of you and wish you were here. We miss you every day.
Love you always
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Love Louise and Abbie

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Heartfelt thanks to everyone at the River House Hospital, Sawbridgeworth for the wonderful care given to Brian during his illness.
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Thank you all for the Love, Kindness and Respect you gave him.
Linda and Family

DAVID WHYBREW
Beloved Husband, Father and Grandad who died suddenly at home on Wednesday 17th June 2015.
Loved by all and will be greatly missed.
All invited to the funeral, enquiries at D Robinson.
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Pel.
Our hearts still ache in sadness and secret tears still flow. What it means to lose you, no one will ever know.
Love always
Jo, Martin and Ricky

PERRY KING
To my brother Perry and best friend. Missing you so much since you passed. Hope you have everything you need and all’s good up there. Keep The Bud chilled for me.
Lots of love
Will

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Pete, A second year has gone by and we all still think of you every day.
Love Tony, Ann, Jade and Brandon
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Dear Perry,
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Mum, Dad, Sister, Brothers, Niece, Nephews, Uncles, Aunts and Grandmother.
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Teacher inspired to write book for kids

Academy’s assistant principal launches his new novel

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A TEACHER put his summer holiday to good use to write children’s book Face-Mum, which explores family relationships and online safety.

Russell King, 40, assistant principal at Passmores Academy, in Tracies Road, started the 170-page novel in 2013 after a moment of inspiration.

He immediately jotted down the opening two pages before finishing the first draft in October that year.

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After many rejections and more than 10 re-writes, his debut novel has now been self-published and is available to buy online.

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when his mum ups and leaves one day.

Miss Carver has raised more than £2,900 for Pancreatic Cancer Research over the years and has so far raised £220 from her triology of events in 2015.

“In it means a lot to be raising money for Panc”

Mr King said: “Face-Mum tells the story of Michael, a nice boy

s eyes. Michael then decides to take a deadly risk to unlock the family’s mystery.

It deals with issues that are very relevant in schools today such as online identity and cyber

safety, there are definitely messages for both primary and secondary students.”

He added that he will “definitely not” be using his lesson time to plug the book, but may donate a copy to the school library.

While Mr King is a secondary teacher, and has been at Passmores for a number of years, he said that adapting to writing a novel set in a primary school was relatively straightforward.

“Michael is a composite of nice people and a lot of the characters are loosely based on people I know,” adds Mr King, who resisted the temptation to base characters too much on his students.

He is a good kid, and he makes mistakes but Michael always means well.

“The character nearest myself is probably Michael’s dad, a long suffering QPR fan.”

Mr King wasn’t sure how long the book should be, but found 170 pages to be around an average length for a children’s book and was actually the exact length as Fitzgerald’s The Great Gatsby.

To learn more or buy a copy visit: http://facemum.wix.com/site.

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Giant jellyfish washed up on British beaches

FAMILIES planning to spend a day on the beach got a shock when they found the sand was covered with hundreds of giant barrel jellyfish.

The sea creatures, which resemble dustbin lids, had been washed up on the shore at beaches in south Wales and the south Devon coast.

Beachgoers were told not to touch the jellyfish which, although not dangerous to humans, can still sting.

Jellyfish feed on tiny creatures called plankton which have been thriving because of our recent mild winters. As a result, the jellyfish population has also increased.

The barrel jellyfish, which can grow to a size of 89cm, are the largest species found in south-west England.

Although they are not rare in the UK, it is unusual to see so many washed up on beaches.

Marine conservation scientist Dr Keith Hiscock said: “These are ideal conditions for the jellyfish. Everything they need to thrive is in place. There is plenty of food, the water temperature in is just right, the currents have brought them here and they have bred incredibly well.”

Rory Dickinson, who works as a countryside manager for the local council, said: “They’re generally harmless. They lead amazing lives and are a vital part of our wildlife.”

President Dr Hannah Smith said: “There are lots of jellyfish on British beaches at the moment, and they are not a risk to humans, although it is always wise to err on the side of caution.”

As well as being in positions of power, jellies are also highly valuable ecologically, providing sustenance for other marine species.

Dr Smith added: “They are a vital part of the marine ecosystem, and their abundance is a good indicator of the health of our waters.”
LAMACQ is back
6 Music DJ returns to support pals - page 21
**WHAT’S ON**

**WE WILL ROCK YOU**
Harlow Playhouse
Thursday, June 25

Performing arts students from Burnt Mill Academy in Harlow present Ben Elton’s homage to the music of Queen for their annual summer production.

**MUSIC/FRIDAY**

**St John’s ARC, Market Street, Old Harrow**
Friday, June 26 (1.30-2.30pm)
ES includes glass of wine or juice

Guitarist Simon Davies studied at the Royal College of Music and the Royal Academy of Music before receiving his honours degree at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester. As a soloist, he has represented the UK in the European Young Musicians’ Concert in 2011, performed at the London International Guitar Festival and has played for the King of Norway and the Spanish prime minister. His programme will include La Cathedral by Bartók and Sonata in A minor by Bron. 

**BUCKHURST HILL & WOODFORD SCHOOL OF DANCING**

Harlow Playhouse
Monday, June 29 - Wednesday, July 1

The Gallery
Art exhibitions
Harlow Civic Centre, Water Gardens
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- *THROUGH MY EYES* - an exciting showcase of powerful, thought provoking images of their work in media.
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**ART EXHIBITIONS**

**PRAESIDENT: ENCOUNTERS**
The Gallery, Parrndon Mill, Harlow
until Sunday, June 28 (Tues-Fri 10am-5pm, Sun 2-4pm)

Three artists based at the Digswell Trust studios in Welwyn – Carly Beach, Veronica Grasso and Sally Tyne – present an exhibition of their work in media.

**THROUGH MY EYES**

Gibberd Gallery
Harlow Civic Centre, Water Gardens
until Thursday, July 2 (Mon-Fri 9am-4.45pm)

An exciting showcase of powerful, thought provoking images from some of the most talented portrait painters, many have featured in national exhibitions.

**TRAILS**

Gardenhouse Arts
East Gate Galley, Harlow
until Saturday, July 4 (Tues/Thur/Fri/Sat 10.30am-3pm)

A group exhibition of the work of seven artists exploring the idea of trails interpreted through the medium of paint, line, photography and mix media.

**ARLOW THEATRE COMPANY**

Will be staging it’s musical for 18 years when the curtain raises for their production of Rent next month.

Rent tells the story of struggling artists attempting to live and love in New York’s Alphabet City in the early 1990s, while living in the shadow of HIV/AIDS.

Based on the opera La Boheme, the rock musical has inspired since it opened and features numerous well-known songs including Seasons of Love and La Vie Bohême.

The show features a cast of 18 talented performers from Harlow and the surrounding areas.

**MUSIC@MIDDAY**

2.30pm
Friday, June 26 (1.30-2.30pm)

HARLOW SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
St John’s Church, St John’s Road, Epping
Sunday, July 5

The event is being presented by Much Hadham Pie Club in aid of Friends of Much Hadham Parish Church.

Tickets cost £15 and are on sale now from www.seetickets.com.

Open air performances of the Bard’s work in villages

AN open-air theatre company which performs productions in idyllic settings across the UK will bring two plays to Much Hadham Parish Church.

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**Maiden legend Harris set to gallop to Square**

BRN Maiden’s Steve Harris will be performing at The Square in Harlow as part of side project British Lion next month.

Legendary bass player Harris, known for his unique galloping style, will line up alongside his second band for the gig on Wednesday, July 29, for the first stop on a UK tour of smaller venues.

Since founding Iron Maiden in 1975, Harris has played all over the world and become one of the biggest names in heavy metal.

Harris founded British Lion with vocalist Richard Taylor and guitarist Graham Leslie as a more 1970s influenced band with hard rock songs.

The trio had previously worked together in the 1990s and released their first and only album in 2012 with two further members joining.

With support from The Raven Age, British Lion will also play shows in Colchester and Oxford before finishing in London at the end of August.

Tickets cost £15 and are on sale now from www.thesquareharlow.com.
Steve returns for a fond farewell

It’s good to be coming back to Harlow,” Steve Lamacq told Go! ahead of his set at The Square. But the legendary new music-loving broadcaster never really left.

The 49-year-old has come a long way since his stint in the town as a young man, becoming the voice of unsigned and under-the-radar music on BBC Radio 1 and 6 Music.

Bands such as Oasis, Coldplay, Bloc Party and most recently Catfish and the Bottlemen all have Steve to thank for their first exposure and mainstream airplay; but the likable disc jockey has always had Harlow in his heart.

“The Square was my local and was always a venue for people like me who had nowhere else to go,” he laughs. “While I was studying journalism at Harlow College, The Square was my hangout and all through those years of study and at the Harlow Gazette (where he worked as a reporter) it was where I always came to.”

“Some of my all-time favourite gigs were at The Square and I especially remember seeing Billy Bragg perform just after he had broken through. For the first time we had a real rock star on stage.

“I used to look forward to Wednesday’s at The Square, as those were the days when the (Newtown) Neurotics would be rehearsing,” said Steve of one of his all-time favourite bands and the reason for his return next week.

While it was more than 20 years ago that Steve moved to London, he often returns to the venue and this year has already been back to see The Bohicains.

So when Neurotics frontman Steve Drewett asked him to play some songs as a warm-up to the band’s performance on Saturday, July 4, Lamacq couldn’t resist popping back.

“I said to Steve [Drewett] I would love to come and play and I have lined up some old favourites, some indie bangers and a few anthems.”

“The gig will however be tinged with sadness in light of the recent passing of Neurotics original bassist Colin Masters, who died in May after suffering with illness.

“Steve was a close friend of Colin’s and dedicated an edition of his 4-7pm weekday show on 6 Music to his talent and legacy.

“Colin was a fantastic man,” he said, “He was a kind chap and thought so much about other people. We were quite friendly for a long time.

“I remember for my 19th birthday, I had only just arrived in Harlow and didn’t know a lot of people, but Colin took me out on my town. “That was just the kind of thing he would do and he was also really funny.”

Next weekend’s musical trip down memory lane could be the final time Steve plays a set at The Square in its current form, with the longstanding venue set to close its doors at the end of the year.

While the man from Basingstoke is sad to see The Square go, he is hopeful the legacy can carry on.

“The Square will continue for as long as people want it to, but Harlow is lucky to have it as many similar-sized towns cannot claim to boast a venue like The Square.

“I would like to see it become a more integral part of the town, for it to become an alternative Playhouse would be fantastic.”

Speaking ahead of Glastonbury where he is on presenting duty for 6 Music, and covering the dreaded graveyard 10pm-1am slot on Sunday night for the digital service, Steve said he was looking forward to what the festival had to offer.

“I have been going to Glastonbury for 20 years and it just keeps getting bigger, but in many ways it is the same.

“I’m very interested to see how Florence does (on the pyramid stage) and I think she will pull it off.

“I’m also keen to see (roots reggae band) Steel Pulse for my own enjoyment, as well as Slaves, who will put on a show and of course my old friend Billy Bragg, who I see every year.”

While Glastonbury will be the highlight of his summer, Steve will also be going to Latitude and Reading festivals, while acting as compere for an alternative brass festival, which offers a venture into the unknown.

However, as far as his career has taken him, Steve Lamacq will always be a man of the people and promoter of grassroots talent, on the lookout for the next big thing - especially if it happens to be from Harlow.

“When I started a record label, the goal was to get a band from Harlow into the top 40, which we achieved with Collapsed Lung’s ‘Bit My Goal’. “But it has often been difficult in Harlow, as even though the town is not very far from London, people are not always willing to come out.”

“I am always on the lookout for new music and there is an address on my website to send it to (http://goingdeafforaliving.com/contact) ‘If you mark it with ‘Harlow’ it will go to the top of the pile, but it will have to be good because I’m a tough critic,’” he laughs.

Steve Lamacq is supporting The Newton Neurotics performance at The Square, Fourth Avenue on Saturday July 4. For tickets and more information visit www.thesquareharlow.com.

GI G GUIDE

GIG OF THE WEEK: STEVE WATERMAN QUARTET

Top British jazz trumpeter Steve Waterman has won numerous awards for his music over a glittering career and is tipped by Harlow with his band as part of the summer of music at Mangolds. Joined by Anthony Kerr on vibraphone, bass player Mark Hodgson and drummer Dave Barry the awesome foursome will play at Harlow Cricket Club, Mangolds, Old Harlow on June 28.

Friday, June 26

THE DRIVE

Parndon Sports Club, Parndon Road, Harlow

LINKFEST 70’s/80’s FANCY DRESS BALL

GPCA, Abercrombie Way, Harlow

FIST FULL OF COVERS

The Herald, Broadway Road, Harlow

SATURDAY, JUNE 27

THE GRIAS

The Willow, Holdings Road, Harlow

CAPTURED

The Shark, Hobotse Road, Harlow

CARMEN

Harlow Cineworld

Wednesday, July 1 at 7.30pm

A night at the opera is being offered to Harlow cinema goers as a staging of Calixto Bieto’s Carmen will be broadcast into Harlow Cineworld from the London Coliseum. The one-off adaption offers the authentic experience of the opera for a reduced price. Tickets are on sale now from: www.cineworld.co.uk /cinemas

LA TRAVIATA

Harlow Playhouse

Thursday, September 10

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One of the world’s greatest operas graces the Playhouse stage, in a story of love, sacrifice and misunderstanding. Violetta, a courtesan, is stuck in a cycle of endless parties until Alfredo, a writer, convinces her to live in the country. Deeply in love, she is content until compelled to leave Alfredo into the arms of another. A tragic and resonate tale of society and morality. La Traviata combines compelling characters with powerful, moving and instantly recognisable melodies, making it still, 160 years after its 1853 debut, one of the most emotionally engaging and popular operas of all time. The show is the UK premiere and features a live 30-piece orchestra. It is presented by the Russian State Ballet and Opera House.

LED SAYER

Harlow Playhouse

Thursday, September 26

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Grammy Award winner and chart-topping legend Leo Sayer makes a rare UK appearance at the Playhouse, launching his latest album, Restless Years, as well as celebrating some old favourites. With 16 hit albums and 26 hit singles to his credit, Leo is one of the most successful artists the UK has ever produced. Early booking is advised.
Red Lion under new management

Old three special nights Harlow’s Red Lion will under new management for a play that smashes through the fourth wall and encourages the rowdy banter only found in pubs.

Early Doors is a production from the appropriately titled Not Too Tame theatre company, who will be serving drinks as normal to customers before getting into character and acting out a performance.

As part of a new breed of theatre for people that don’t do theatre, Early Doors’ unique production will set the theatre company, who will be serving drinks as normal to customers before getting into character and acting out a performance.

The show began as a one-off performance in Edinburgh last summer, but after rave reviews (including four stars from The Times) Early Doors is back and writer/actor Andrew Butler can’t wait to get going.

“Early Doors is a production that breaks the shackles of the theatre and brings the stage to an audience,” he said.

“Nobody would say they don’t like television because they saw a bad show, but so many people say they don’t like theatre.

“This can show people there is so much more on offer.”

Led by director Jimmy Fairhurst, the show has been on the road for nearly a year with performances in Harrogate and Slough being particularly memorable as 50-100 people have regularly turned up, depending on the size of the pub.

The plot sees a brother and sister taking on the running of the family tavern and not having the best time of it.

Andrew’s character gives a pub quiz, which is always well received by crowds happy to shout out answers.

He added: “We take over the running of the pub for the evening and sometimes we’ll have punters sitting in their usual chair not knowing what to expect.

“We tend to play in pubs with regulars, who often come up to us afterwards and say how much they have enjoyed the show.”

As every pub is different and audiences unpredictable, Early Doors is not without its challenges.

Andrew says: “When we were performing in Bedford Green, a waitress accidentally dropped a whole tray of glasses behind the bar, which of course diverted everyone’s attention, but we were able to keep going and work through it.

“It is a big help to have the regular bar staff in times like these.

“We tend to do a lot of our rehearsals actually in pubs, but every performance is different and every new pub takes some getting used to and its own atmosphere.

“The show is totally immersive and is in our own world, a long way from the typical theatre stage.”

The three performances will take place from Monday July 13 – Wednesday July 15 at the Potter Street pub from 8pm.

With tickets selling fast for the show, booking is advised. Tickets cost £13 and can be bought at www.harlowplayhouse.co.uk.
Tough times in Wild West

Slow West

WESTERN (15) 83 minutes
Director: John Maclean
Starring: Kodi Smit-McPhee, Michael Fassbender, Ben Mendelsohn, Caren Pistorius, Rory McCann

John Maclean, one-time DJ and sampler with The Beta Band, makes an impressive feature film directorial debut with this stylish western shot on location in New Zealand.

Confidently abiding by conventions of the genre, Slow West is a classic coming of age story, which positions a resourceful young woman at the heart of the blood-splattered action.

“Wearing a dress don’t make her a lady,” observes one grizzled character, reminding us that appearances can be deceptive in the dustbowl of 1870s Colorado.

This no place for the weak or demure. A peasant’s daughter Rose Ross (Caren Pistorius), pursued by bounty hunter called Silas Selleck (Michael Fassbender), who proposes to chaperone Jay for a fee.

The two loners form a tender yet fragile bond as they trot through a series of misadventures.

There’s more to life than just surviving,” philosophises Jay, as Silas shaves his almost hairless chin with a knife.

“You, there’s dying,” growls the gunslinger, who has neglected to tell Jay that his beloved Rose and her old man are wanted dead or alive for 2,000 US dollars.

Slow West is a compelling portrait of an era, as seen through the eyes of a jack rabbit, who has strayed into a den of wolves.

Kodi Smit-McPhee brings an appealing innocence to his stargazing dreamer, who learns harsh lessons about placing trust in strangers on the road.

In stark contrast, Fassbender swaggerers with ominous intent, shrouding his character in ambiguity so we are never entirely sure of his allegiances until a barnstorming final reckoning.

The actors are an exceedingly odd couple, yet somehow the mismatch works, yet against the majestic locations captured in all of their sprawling glory by Irish cinematographer Robbie Ryan.

Damon Smith
Here is the third of five competitions offering you the chance to win an amazing Austrian holiday. Still to come: fantastic summer breaks and Apple Watches... Don’t miss your chance to be a lucky winner!

This prize is for a week-long summer holiday for two which can be taken this year or next. It does not include flights but these can be booked with a low-cost airline from Gatwick or Stansted to Salzburg, Munich or Innsbruck from as little as £25 per person each way. Before you book your flights check your chosen week is available by phoning the Hotel Hoeﬄehner on +43 (0)3648 2548 or emailing info@hoeﬄehner.com

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Experience an unforgettable summer holiday – over 1,100 metres up in the Austrian Alps – at the amazing Hotel Höflehner.

This week-long pamper and activity holiday prize could suit a couple on a romantic break or two friends who want to both relax and exercise.

The 4-star hotel is what the Austrians call a superior nature and wellness hotel. The water used throughout the hotel is super soft.

Its spa includes a spacious sauna area, indoor swimming pool and ‘natural pond’ fed by a mountain spring. Outside there is a heated pool and whirlpool bath with breathtaking views over the surrounding mountains.

Skilled staff offer revitalizing massages, baths and beauty treatments using nourishing natural products, such as Swiss pine, hay flower and alpine rose.

All the food served in the restaurant is organic – some of it grown in the hotel garden. The chef draws for inspiration on the cuisine of the local Styrian region, known as the kitchen of Austria.

Once you have relaxed enough, you should go off and explore the mountains. You can do this by hiking, running, mountainbiking or mountain biking. If you want to take it easy, ride an electric bike. Or maybe you would prefer to go down into the valley and play golf!

The local area known as Schladming-Dachstein has 1,000 kms of hiking paths, 930 km of cycle routes, 45 running trails and four golf courses. There are also different levels of ‘iron road’ climbs prepared on the sunny south face of the Dachstein mountain. (In the winter Schladming-Dachstein becomes one of the best ski areas in Europe, but that’s another story)

So whether you are a loved-up couple or a pair of friends enter this competition for a fantastic holiday in the Austrian Alps.

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A: Singin’ in the Rain
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Wareing’s kitchen secrets

He doesn’t mince his words as a judge on MasterChef, but what’s Marcus Wareing like in his own kitchen? Jeananne Craig finds out.

Marcus Wareing’s latest restaurant is slap bang in the middle of London’s Theatreland, but his kitchen is a drama-free zone.

A former protege of the famously fiery Gordon Ramsay, the top chef has exacting standards and hasn’t been afraid to speak his mind in the past – in fact, he once left one MasterChef semi-finalist in tears during a 2013 guest stint on the show.

But the spotless kitchen of Tredwell’s, the West End restaurant Wareing opened last September, is an oasis of calm: all sparkling silver worktops, carefully filed away ingredients, and chefs quietly preparing for the busy evening ahead.

Which all comes as a huge relief, because I’m about to cook for the Michelin-starred man himself.

Before I get my apron on, Wareing admits he has mellowed in recent years – something the father of three puts down to professional happiness, mastering the work-life balance, and replacing Michel Roux Jr as a permanent fixture on the MasterChef judging panel last year.

“The MasterChef directors direct you, all the film crews, all the sound men and all the contestants in a very different way to how chefs direct a kitchen,” he notes.

“They do it in such a calm manner. I’ve used and absorbed some of their expertise and calm direction to be able to create my own way of approaching my kitchen,” he notes.

As for his earlier appearances on the contest, the Southport-born chef smiles and confesses: “You’re asked to come onto a show, you’re dragged out of the kitchen and put in a taxi, you’re still in service mode, you go into the studio and get a load of mediocre food put in front of you, you tell them what you think of it and you get in the car and go again. It happens so fast…”

He promises we’ll have fun in the kitchen – or “engine room” – where we’ll be preparing one of the dishes he cooked up at last weekend’s Taste of London festival alongside other foodie stars, including Raymond Blanc and Thomasina Miers.

Wareing and Chantelle Nicholson, group operations director of his eateries (he has two other restaurants in the capital), patiently guide me through the prep and cooking of the harissa-glazed aubergine starter, a popular choice at Tredwell’s.

Thankfully, it’s a really simple dish to make (see recipe below) – slicing an aubergine, browning it on a hot plate, bunging it in the oven and then brushing on a glossy harissa and agave syrup mix.

When it comes to plating up, however, I’m on my own, with no idea how the dish is usually presented.

“As the heat in the kitchen builds up, I layer the aubergine slices before cack-handedly attempting to pipe some coconut yoghurt and sprinkle an overly generous helping of red chilli on top.”

Alas, my yoghurt has melted in no time (I laboured too long on that piping) and the aubergines look more slumped than stacked, but Wareing gamely tucks in as he looks on, red-faced.

“There’s too much heat”, he says, because I’ve been too liberal with the harissa and red chilli, but overall, he seems happy enough with the taste. As for my sloppy presentation, he assures me that’s something I can brush up on.

“I don’t think I’ll be landing a job here any time soon (!) I don’t think you’d want one, it’s quite hot in there!” Nicholson says diplomatically), and there’s no way my dish would have made the grade to be served to a customer.

But I’m delighted all the same when Wareing, no doubt keen to get me out the door before the Friday night rush begins, jokingly tells me: “You’re through to the next round”.

Fancy having a go? Here is a recipe from Tredwell’s by Marcus Wareing for you to try at home...

Pulled Pork Sliders

Ingredients

2kg pork belly

For the mirepoix (flavouring):

25ml chicken or vegetable stock

½ onion, peeled and quartered

1 carrot, peeled and quartered

2 cloves garlic, bashed

1 cinnamon stick

1 star anise

½ orange, halved

1 red chilli, halved

½ bunch coriander stalks

40g fresh root ginger, peeled and roughly chopped

For the cooking liquor:

125ml Madeira wine

1L chicken or vegetable stock

125ml red wine

1/2 leek, white only, halved

½ carrot, peeled and quartered

1 stalk celery, halved

1/4 bunch coriander stalks

1 cinnamon stick

1 star anise

½ onion, peeled and quartered

25ml vegetable oil

Method

In a large pan with the vegetable oil. Add the mirepoix ingredients and brown well. Add the cooking liquor and the pork belly and bring to a very gentle simmer. Cover and allow to cook slowly for three hours.

Remove the belly and set aside to cool slightly. Strain off the stock and place the liquid in a pan and bring to the boil. Simmer until reduced by half.

Gently pull the pork belly apart using two forks and mix with enough of the reduced sauce to bind together. Heat up enough for eight buns.

For the buns, cut in half and toast the inside. Add the pork belly then the sliced ginger and finely sliced apple.

To serve:

8 brioche buns

25g stem ginger in syrup, finely sliced

½ Granny Smith apple, finely sliced
Make the most of the coast

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Nearby, is the Pavilion Fun Park and an excellent choice of bars, cafes and restaurants. Parents will also be assured by the town’s child-safety wristband scheme for those who get lost on the beach.

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The iconic Naze Tower was built in the 1720s as a navigational aid for passing ships but today is an art gallery and café. According to TripAdvisor, Walton’s beach ranks as excellent with the pier (Britain’s second longest) and the pretty beach huts adding to the ambience.

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4 Wabness: For those who like their coastal escapes to be a little more, whisper it, secret, then Wabness is a must. This sleepy village, west of Harwich, is a haven for artists, nature lovers and sailors. The beach is a mixture of sand and shingle with a collection of quirk – and in some cases, very large – beach huts standing sentry over it. This is an ideal destination for a romantic picnic with a loved one, or a tranquil place to take a stroll with the dog.

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As the property market heats up, now is a great time to buy and sell PLUS win £1,000 towards your estate agent’s fees
Essex property market grows in confidence

NEW research from Beresfords, Essex’s leading independent estate agent, reveals that the county’s property market is continuing to grow in confidence and buyer activity is already starting to sizzle this summer.

In its 35th Conference Monitor, Beresfords reports that competition is heating up, with close to eight buyers now competing for every new instruction. The number of viewings is also rising by eight per cent annually in the month of April, highlighting just how active Essex’s buyers are in the run up to summer. The number of offers has also increased by eight per cent over the same period indicating that these are serious buyers.

Paul Beresford, managing director of Beresfords, said: “It is great to see confidence running strong and as the weather heats up we can only expect the property market to do the same.

“The growth in the number of viewings and the corresponding rise in offers indicates that these are serious buyers who are looking to move, so now is a great time to sell.

“One of the major growth areas since the General Election has been the £1 million plus market. We had seen a cooling down of this market in the run up to the election, but this has since been reversed and the levels of buyers and instructions has increased.”

Buyer demand has been most prevalent among buy-to-let investors, with registrations increasing significantly in April, by 28 per cent annually.

Paul Beresford continued: “Essex remains a popular investment hotspot for buy-to-let landlords. The county’s excellent commuter links and varied housing supply combines to produce investment opportunities which are easily let and provide strong yields.

“With interest rate rises not expected until early 2016 and the impeding changes to pension annuities, the popularity of buy-to-let is only going increase as the year progresses...”

More applicants are wanting to purchase

ACCORDING to a new report from Balgores Property Group, the number of buyers looking to purchase a property in Essex has risen on average by 14.5 per cent year on year.

Over the last 12 months, Chelmsford has recorded the largest increase in applicants (42 per cent), followed by Hornchurch (26 per cent) and Basildon (18 per cent).

The numbers of buyers chasing each property has also surged in parts of Essex, with Chelmsford recording the largest increase, up by 64 per cent year on year, followed by Hornchurch up by 57 per cent and Romford up by 25 per cent.

Martin Gibbon, a Fellow of the National Association of Estate Agents and group director of Balgores Property Group, commented: “Demand for property in Essex is booming and this has been helped by the fantastic mortgage deals that are on offer and of course, the Government’s Help To Buy Scheme. Recent Bank of England figures show that the number of house loan approvals in April hit 68,000, the biggest monthly rise in UK mortgage approvals since 2009.

“There has never been a better time to buy, as the mortgage price war has been driving home loan rates to record lows.

“Our research shows that Chelmsford has seen the number of applicants leap by 42 per cent, as the city continues to attract commuter and professionals, due to the redevelopment and investment in the city centre.”

There’s always room for improvement

Considering how to add real value to your home? Vicky Shaw has some tips and advice from property expert Phil Spencer

Sprucing up your home is not only an important part of making sure that it continues to fit your day-to-day needs – it can also be a great way to add value to your property.

With signs that the housing market is picking up again, and reports highlighting a shortage of properties on the market in some popular areas, now could be a good time to make improvements to maximise the value of your home if you’re planning to sell in the near future.

A new report from Barclays Mortgages, which used research from estate agency network Countrywide, suggests that home improvements can add around £31,000 to the value of a property for someone buying it, doing it up throughout and then selling it on within 12 months.

However, this calculation does not factor in the cost of having the work done.

The research also suggests that across the UK, adding an extension of 30m squared (around the size of two double bedrooms with fitted wardrobes) can generate a return of around £14,000 on the value of a property.

But if you’re thinking about having work carried out, it’s worth considering that the report found huge variations across the country in the value that can be added through improvements.

In some areas, home owners could end up spending more on building their extension than the amount of extra value they would create in their home, the report found.

So it’s vital to do your homework before having work done.

To find out more about the dos and don’ts of home improvements, I put some questions to TV property guru Phil Spencer, the spokesman for the Barclays report:

■ If you had a £5,000 budget, what would you spend it on in order to make your house more appealing?

“Some simple interior refurbishments always add a sense of freshness, a change of paint colour and some new accessories such as cushions will make the room feel brand new. If you’re frugal, £500 should cover the cost of a few rooms.”

■ Is it sometimes better to try and spread your budget across the whole of the house, rather than concentrating on one room?

“Of course that depends on budget available, but yes, absolutely Home improvement is a constant evolving project for any home owner; if people focus on making small changes in each room as they go, making larger home improvements will not feel as daunting.”

■ If someone is considering a big-budget improvement, what should they take into account?

“Home improvers should always do their research and seek advice where possible. When taking on a large improvement, having trust in the people you’re working with is vital. If the home owner’s intention is to sell, then looking at the local market and seeking advice from estate agents would be a shrewed move. Always allow extra time for delays. In my experience, something is likely to be postponed for a number of reasons. If this is worked into expectations initially, it won’t be such an issue.”

■ In the current housing market, could it be better for some home owners to hold off making a home improvement as the value of the house could increase anyway?

“Relying on property prices moving up or down is a risk and deciding whether you need to make a home improvement or whether moving to another property is right for you is usually the better question to ask and ultimately the decision to make.”
PROPERTY NEWS

Housing market heats up

Vicky Shaw says a mortgage price war and a shortage of properties for sale is helping boost house prices

As we move into the summer, the housing market is showing signs of heating up once more. A string of new reports have painted a picture of a pick-up in the market, which got off to a fairly subdued start in early 2015.

Figures from the Bank of England show the number of mortgage approvals made to home buyers jumped to a 14-month high in April.

Meanwhile, Nationwide Building Society has reported that UK house prices reached a new record high in cash terms in May of £190,166 on average. This surpassed a previous record high of £185,048 reached the previous month.

April had been the first time that Nationwide had ever recorded typical UK house prices going over the £190,000 mark.

So what is behind the house price push up?

Well, several studies have pointed to a lack of homes on the market continuing to be a strong factor. In popular areas, an upward pressure is being put on house prices, as buyers have fewer properties to fight over.

In May, the stock of homes on the market plunged to the lowest levels since records started in 1978, according to the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (Rics). At the same time, buyers’ demand for homes is being supported by the economic recovery.

More buyers may also be encouraged by the raft of attractive mortgage deals currently on offer.

A mortgage price war has broken out in recent months, with many lenders offering their lowest-ever rates. Cash back perks are also increasingly being offered with mortgages.

The number of mortgages offering cash-back has more than doubled over the last four years, with 948 cash-back mortgage deals on offer by early June, according to financial website Moneyfacts.

But it’s not just buyers with a mortgage who are adding to the competition for homes – there’s also a healthy level of demand coming from cash buyers.

Matthew Pointon, a property economist at Capital Economics, says it’s estimated cash buyers made up more than 37 per cent of transactions in the first three months of 2015 – the highest share since comparable records started in 2006. He says: “Those cash buyers are now being joined by a growing number of mortgage-dependent buyers.”

So what’s next for the housing market?

Several experts have predicted further property price increases in the coming months. Pointon says: “Even if more homeowners start to put their homes on the market, as we expect, it will take time for stock levels to increase. Therefore, house prices will continue to rise over the coming months.”

But he says that with stricter mortgage regulations in place, “we doubt the jump in mortgage lending seen in April will be sustained”.

Across the whole of 2015, he says: “A significant, if not boom-like, gain of six per cent to seven per cent in house prices remains the most likely outcome.”

Howard Archer, chief UK and European economist at IHS Global Insight says: “There are increasing signs that housing market activity is now on the up, while a shortage of properties coming on to the market is exerting upward pressure on prices.

“Consequently, we have recently lifted our forecast house price increase in 2015 to six per cent from five per cent. We currently see prices rising by around five per cent in 2016.”

And Martin Ellis, a housing economist at Halifax, also agrees that an imbalance between supply and the demand “is likely to continue to push up house prices in the coming months.”

But Ellis also notes that house prices have been increasing at a much faster rate than earnings. Robert Gardner, Nationwide’s chief economist, adds: “Over the longer term, we would expect house price growth to converge with earnings growth, which has typically been around 4 per cent per annum.”

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FEATURE PROPERTY

Foldcroft, Harlow

This three/four bedroom detached family home is being offered with no onward chain. Inside, the property has two reception rooms, fitted kitchen, side lobby, downstairs cloakroom and shower.

A converted garage provides the fourth bedroom, which could also be used as a third reception room.

All the rooms are of generous proportion, particularly on the ground floor.

The property has two good-sized double bedrooms, both with built-in wardrobes, and a single room.

The family bathroom has a white suite including panelled bath with shower over, pedestal mounted wash hand basin. There are tiled walls, a panelled radiator and an opaque window to the rear. There is a separate WC.

Outside, the property has a neatly-enclosed rear garden, an open aspect to the rear and plenty of parking to the front.

Foldcroft is in Harlow town centre and within easy reach of the hospital, train station and The High. It is also close to the open spaces of Canons Brook Golf Club.

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Buying a property is a large transaction and one that requires careful consideration. Here are some tips on how to approach the process:

1. **Research and Consultation**: Before entering the market, research the area where you want to buy. Consult with an experienced estate agent who can provide valuable insights and guidance.

2. **Set a Budget**: Determine how much you can afford to spend. This will help narrow down your search and prevent overspending.

3. **Consider Your Needs**: Think about what you need in a property. Is it close to amenities, has good transport links, or is it in a quiet location?

4. **Be Prepared to Negotiate**: Be ready to negotiate the price and terms of the sale. Understanding market trends and being flexible can be advantageous.

5. **Secure a Mortgage**: Ensure you have a mortgage in place before making an offer. This will help in getting the property quickly and smoothly.

6. **Viewing Wise**: Attend property viewings and take notes. This will help you compare different properties and make an informed decision.

7. **Seek Legal Advice**: Engage solicitors to handle the legal aspects. This will ensure all processes are followed correctly and protect your interests.

8. **Final Check**: Before completing the purchase, conduct a final inspection and ensure all repairs are completed.

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• Five Reception Rooms
• Detached Double Garage
• Fitted Kitchen & Utility Room
• E.P.C. Rating: D

£465,000

Whieldon Grange

• A Four Bedroom Detached Family Home
• Driveway & Tandem Garage To The Side
• Separate Living & Dining Rooms
• Ground Floor Study
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• E.P.C. Rating: D

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St. Andrews Meadow
• Two Bedroom House Situated In Private Development
• Two Allocated Car Parking Spaces
• Sought After Location In A Cul-De-Sac
• End Of Terrace
• 45ft Rear Garden Approx
• EPC Rating C

£244,995

Dunstalls
• One/Two Bedroom Flat
• Flat 1 Ground Floor
• Lounge/Diner With Door Leading To Garden
• Communal Garden For Residents
• Separate Fitted Kitchen
• EPC Rating C

£160,000

Adingtons
• Two Bedroom Flat
• Flat 2 Top Floor
• Lounge/Diner With Balcony
• Communal Garden
• Cul-De-Sac Location
• EPC Rating C

£164,995

Home Close
• Four Bedroom Town House
• Driveway For Two Cars
• Integral Garage
• Gas Central Heating
• Approx 105ft Rear Garden
• EPC Rating D

£325,000

Pye Corner, Gilston
• Four Double Bedrooms
• Semi-Detached House Built In The 1980’s
• En-Suite From Master Bedroom
• Used As Rear With Garage & Parking
• Approimately 115ft Rear Garden
• EPC Rating E

£400,000

Hawthorns
• Four Double Bedroom Detached House
• Detached Double Garage
• Located In Private Corner Of Cul De Sac Location
• Full Width Conservatory
• +Extending Deck Garden With Jacuzzi
• EPC Rating E

£465,000

Fairbanks, Roydon Road
• Four Bedroom Semi-Detached House
• Detached Double Garage
• Large Double Bedroom
• Located In Private Corner Of Cul De Sac Location
• Full width Conservatory
• Extending Deck Garden With Jacuzzi
• EPC Rating D

£649,995

Glebelands
• Three Bedroom Terraced House
• 23ft Lounge/Diner
• Downstairs WC
• Approaches 40ft Rear Garden
• Sought After Location
• EPC Rating D

£220,000

Hawthorns
• Four Bedroom Detached House
• Detached Double Garage
• Lounge With Inglenook Fireplace & Dual Aspect Windows
• Two Reception Rooms
• Utility Room & Downstairs WC
• EPC Rating C

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**£319,950**

**SAWBRIDGEWORTH**

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**£369,950**

**NEWHALL (Canopy Lane)**

Extremely well presented 4 bedroom family home with a fully fitted contemporary kitchen, large open plan living/dining room, 4 good size bedrooms, en-suite shower room, family bathroom, beautifully landscaped private rear garden with nilai.

**£439,950**

**SHEERING (The Street)**

Beautifully presented 4 bedroom extended home backing onto open fields and offered with no onward chain. Impressive sitting room, dining room, study, impressive master suite, approximate 100ft landscaped rear garden and parking for approx. 3 cars. Sole agents.

**£475,000**

**SAWBRIDGEWORTH** (Springhill Road). 4 double bedroom detached home in a prime position for local schools and a walk’s throw from the village centre. Impressive kitchen with underfloor heating, L shaped sitting room with bi-folding doors, utility room, downstairs cloakroom, large driveway and landscaped south facing garden, driveway.

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**£580,950**

**HATFIELD HEATH** (Chelmsford Road),

4 Bed detached country bungalow, large sitting room, beautiful kitchen, 3 bath/shower rooms, fabulous garden room, beautifully appointed, gated entrance, walking distance to thriving village centre, 5 mins to Sawbridgeworth train station.

**£675,000**

**OLD HARLOW**

(Tudor Green). A contemporary Victorian family home with a prime location. Large living room, separate dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, en-suite to master bedroom, good size garden, garage, carport, excellent parking, walking distance of mainline railway station, no onward chain.

**£789,950**

**SAWBRIDGEWORTH** (High Paddocks). Beautifully presented 6 bed Victorian stable conversion with a double garage, workshop, mezzanine and 100ft rear garden. Stunning parkland setting in a country lane location. Spacious and interesting accommodation which needs to be viewed to be fully appreciated. Sole agents.

**£875,000**

**GREAT HALLINGBURY**

Detached 4 bedroom home with equestrian facilities, detached double garage, stable and tack room, “in and out” driveway, several outbuildings, 3/4 acre, 3 reception rooms, country lane location. Sole agents.

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**£1,250,000**

**OLD HARLOW**.

An imposing 1930’s detached house on the edge of the popular village of Churchgate Street. Beautifully presented with spacious accommodation including a large Living room, drawing room, dining room, study/office, magnificent contemporary kitchen/breakfast room, morning room, 6 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, heated swimming pool, double garage. Early viewing of this fine home is recommended. Sole agents.

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**£1100pcm HIGH WYCH (Blacksmiths Way).** Well presented 3 bedroom end of terrace home situated in a popular location within walking distance of all local amenities and a short drive from mainline railway stations. Newly re-carpeted throughout and enjoys a bright lounge, separate kitchen, bathroom and 3 bedrooms. Outside there is an allocated carport and a low maintenance rear garden. Available now.

**£925pcm SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Bell Street).** Immaculately presented, two bedroom family home providing period and contemporary living. Comprising an entrance hall, fitted modern kitchen/diner, good size living room, two double bedrooms and a family bathroom. Enclosed rear garden and ample parking. Available now.

**£900pcm SAWBRIDGEWORTH (London Moorings).** A well presented two bedroom ground floor apartment situated in this sought after village providing great convenience to all local amenities. The property benefits from allocated parking.

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**£1050pcm NEWPORT (Station Road).** Immaculately presented, two bedroom family home in this sought after village providing great convenience to all local amenities. The property benefits from allocated parking.

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**£1195pcm LITTLE HALLINGBURY (Lower Road).** Stunning 4/5 Bedroom, detached, thatched cottage located in the picturesque, exclusive Little Hallingbury Park. Providing spacious and versatile accommodation the property benefits from a wealth of period features throughout. Mature gardens to the front and rear, as well as a stunning tree lined approach. Ample off road parking. Available July.

**£2995pcm THAXTED (Dunmow Road).** Extremely well appointed 4/5 bedroom family home providing period and contemporary living. Comprising a magnificent kitchen/dining room, rear lobby, shower room and bed 5 to mezzanine floor. The original part of the house comprises utility, playroom, 2 further reception rooms, 4 bedrooms to the first floor with family bathroom and en-suite to master. Garden and ample parking. Available August.

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**£2500pcm LITTLE HALLINGBURY (Little Hallingbury Park).** Stunning 4/5 Bedroom, detached, thatched cottage located in the picturesque, exclusive Little Hallingbury Park. Providing spacious and versatile accommodation the property benefits from a wealth of period features throughout. Mature gardens to the front and rear, as well as a stunning tree lined approach. Ample off road parking. Available July.

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**£595pcm SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Lawrence Street).** A well presented one bedroom ground floor apartment with views over the Stort Navigation. The property enjoys a good size living room with storage space, fitted bathroom, kitchen, It’s own private entrance also allocated parking and use of the communal gardens. Available now.

**£550pcm SAWBRIDGEWORTH (Ladywell Prospect).** Unfurnished, ground floor, studio apartment located in quiet development within walking distance of all local amenities. Enjoying a good size living room with storage space, fitted bathroom, kitchen. It’s own private entrance also allocated parking and use of the communal gardens. Available now.
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**Churchgate Street Residents’ Association**

### What's on
- Grand Raffle
- Tombolas
- Football Tournament
- Plant Stall
- Home-made cakes
- Ice-Creams
- Punch & Judy
- Toy Stall
- Candy Floss
- Harlow Rugby Minis Section
- Face Painting
- Bouncy Castles
- Meet the Animals

**WILLIAM MARTIN JUNIOR SCHOOL**

- Tawneys Road, Harlow, Essex CM18 6PN

**Sheering Road**

- Two/Three Bedrooms
- Detached Bungalow
- Office/Potential Annexe
- Secluded Garden
- EPC Band C

**Sawbridgeworth**

- Six Bedrooms
- Gated Entrance
- Luxury Kitchen
- Large Lounge
- EPC Band C

**Commonside Road**

- Four Bedrooms
- Detached House
- Deceptively Spacious
- Off Street Parking
- Awaiting EPC Band

**Spellbrook**

- Four Bedrooms
- Double Garage with Studio above
- Large Garden
- Off Street Parking
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Sheering Road
£450,000
- Two/Three Bedrooms
- Detached Bungalow
- Office/Potential Annexe
- Secluded Garden
- EPC Band C

Sawbridgeworth
£789,950
- Six Bedrooms
- Gated Entrance
- Luxury Kitchen
- Large Lounge
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Commonside Road
£435,000
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- Detached House
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- Off Street Parking
- Awaiting EPC Band

Spellbrook
£499,950
- Four Bedrooms
- Double Garage with Studio above
- Large Garden
- Off Street Parking
- EPC Band D

WILLIAM MARTIN SUMMER FAYRE
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### Lettings

**Newhall**
- Two Bedroom House
- Internal Balcony
- Will be Redecorated Throughout
- Driveway Parking
- EPC Rating C
- Available July

**Sawbridgeworth**
- £1,100 pcm*
- Two Bedroom House
- Internal Balcony
- Will Be Redecorated Throughout
- Driveway Parking
- EPC Rating C
- Available July

**Sawbridgeworth**
- £775 pcm*
- Unfurnished
- One Bedroom
- Private Garden
- Gas Central Heating
- EPC Rating C
- Available August

**Fifth Avenue**
- £1,500 pcm*
- Newly Built
- Three Bedroom House
- Two Ensuites
- Garage & Driveway
- EPC Rating B
- Available August

**Fifth Avenue**
- £750 pcm*
- One Bedroom Apartment
- Allocated Parking
- Central Location
- EPC Rating B
- Available August

**Old Harlow**
- LET
- Old Harlow
- Let Agreed At 102% Of The Asking Price To A Professional Tenant.

**Old Harlow**
- LET
- Let To A Professional Family At Asking Price With A Zero Void Period To The Landlord.

**Old Harlow**
- LET
- Asking Price Achieved To A Professional Tenant After A Successful Open Day

**Sawbridgeworth**
- £650 pcm*
- Furnished Flat
- One Bedroom
- Private Parking
- EPC Rating E
- Available August

**Harlow**
- £875 pcm*
- Two Bedroom Apartment
- Train Station Location
- Redecorated Throughout
- New Carpets
- EPC Rating B
- Available August

**Sawbridgeworth**
- £900 pcm*
- Coming Soon
- Large Two Bedroom Apartment
- Sought After Location
- EPC Banding D
- Available August

**Sawbridgeworth**
- £700 pcm*
- Unfurnished
- One Bedroom Apartment
- Walking Distance To BR Station
- EPC Rating C
- Available August

**Sawbridgeworth**
- £900 pcm*
- Two Bedroom Apartment
- Top Floor Apartment
- Immaculately Presented
- EPC Rating B
- Available August

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- £775 pcm*
- Unfurnished
- One Bedroom
- Private Garden
- Gas Central Heating
- EPC Rating C
- Available August

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- New Carpets
- EPC Rating D
- Available Now

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- £900 pcm*
- Two Bedroom Apartment
- Top Floor
- Apartment
- Immaculately Presented
- EPC Rating B
- Available August

**Old Harlow**
- £3,000 pcm*
- Beautiful Georgian Detached House
- Four Bedrooms
- Five Reception Rooms
- Stunning Landscaped Rear Garden
- Charming Original Features & character Throughout
- Driveway Parking
- EPC Rating F
- Available August

**Old Harlow**
- £1,500 pcm*
- Four Bedroom House
- Semi Detached
- Large Rear Garden
- Allocated Parking
- EPC Rating B
- Available August

**Harlow**
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- Driveway Parking
- EPC Rating: F
- Available August

Facts up front

Property Management

94% of Intercounty Landlords continue to use our managed service past their initial fixed contract.

94%

Figures based on available system information collected in April 2015

Old Harlow

£1,500 pcm*

- Newly Built
- Three Bedroom House
- Two Ensuites
- Garage & Driveway
- EPC Rating: B
- Available August

Sawbridgeworth

£700 pcm*

- Unfurnished
- One Bedroom Apartment
- Walking Distance To BR Station
- EPC Rating: C
- Available August

Harlow

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- Redecorated Throughout
- New Carpets
- EPC Rating: D
- Available Now

Sawbridgeworth

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- One Bedroom
- Private Garden
- Gas Central Heating
- EPC Rating: C
- Available August

Sawbridgeworth

£650 pcm*

- Furnished Flat
- One Bedroom
- Private Parking
- EPC Rating: E
- Available August

Fifth Avenue

£1,500 pcm*

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- Allocated Parking
- Central Location
- EPC Rating: B
- Available August
WEDGEWOOD DRIVE, CHURCH LANGLEY £249,995
- Two Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Corner Garden
- Two Parking Spaces
- Semi Detached
- Popular Location
- White bathroom suite
- EPC Rating: C

TYE GREEN VILLAGE, HARLOW £349,995
- Two Bedrooms
- Cloakroom
- Two Receptions
- Conservatory
- Detached House
- Landscaped Garden
- Popular Location
- EPC Rating: E

PRIMROSE FIELD, HARLOW £234,995
- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Chain Free
- Double Drive
- Loft Rear Garden
- East Front Area
- EPC Rating: TBC

DAVENPORT, CHURCH LANGLEY £274,995
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge/Diner
- Modern Kitchen
- Two Parking Spaces
- End Of Terrace
- Corner Garden
- Downstairs WC
- EPC Rating: C

HAWTHORNS, HARLOW £465,000
- Four Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Conservatory
- Garage & Driveway
- Detached House
- En-Suite Shower
- Chain Free
- EPC Rating: D

DOULTON CLOSE, CHURCH LANGLEY £244,995
- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage & Parking
- End Of Terrace
- Popular Location
- uPVC Windows
- EPC Rating: TBC

SPINNING WHEEL MEAD, HARLOW £249,995
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Receptions
- Cloakroom
- Rear Extension
- End Of Terrace
- Utility Room
- Close To Amenities
- EPC Rating: E

WYLDWOOD CLOSE, OLD HARLOW £699,995
- Four Bedrooms
- Three Receptions
- Swimming Pool
- Double Garage
- Detached Home
- En-Suite Bathroom
- Utility Room
- EPC Rating: D

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**Hawthorns**
£455,000

DETACHED RESIDENCE IN LITTLE KNOWN LOCATION, enjoying LARGE GROUND FLOOR ACCOMMODATION comprising large open plan kitchen/breakfast room, large lounge, study, further reception area, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, own drive, private rear garden

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2011 (61) Mazda 3 1.8 Tamura, 5dr, 18,000 miles, blue ........................................................ ............. £6,295
2009 (09) Ford Focus 1.6 Titanium 5dr, Blue, 22,100 miles ............................................................ £6,295
2006 (05) Volkswagen Passat 2.0 FSI SE 5dr, Finance available, black, 84,300 miles, automatic £5,795
2009 (09) Mazda 3 1.6 Sport 5dr, black, 79,380 miles ........................................................ ............. £5,295
2004 (04) Mini Hatch Cooper S 1.6 3dr, huge spec, full leather, 80,000 miles, black ........................................ £4,995
2006 (05) Mercedes Benz C Class 1.8 C180 Kompressor SE 2 dr, full service history, blue .......................................................... £3,995
2005 (04) Maserati MX 5 1.8i Arlly 2dr, lovely summer convertible, silver, 77,670 miles, £3,695
2008 (07) Vauxhall Astra 1.8 16v Design 5dr, £2,000 miles, black, low mileage family car, service history .......................................................... £3,595
2008 (08) Ford Focus 1.6 Zetec 5dr, blue ........................................................ ............. £3,495
2010 (10) Peugeot 207 1.6 Sport 3dr, FINANCE AVAILABLE £2,640 miles, black, auto ................................ £3,495
2007 (06) Ford Fiesta 1.4 Freedom 3dr, black, 75,340 miles ............................................................ £2,895

(06) Ford Focus 1.6 Ghia Estate 5dr, great family car, auto, silver .............................................................. £2,995
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2005 (05) Hyundai Coupe 1.6 3dr, full MOT, 60k service history, silver, 73,440 miles £2,495
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2004 (04) Saab 9-5 2.0 Turbo 4dr, Silver, 93,690 miles ........................................................ ............. £1,995

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(11) Peugeot 207 1.4 Env 5dr, 30,440 miles, blue ........................................................ ............. £5,575
2007 (07) Mini Hatch One 1.4 3dr, full mini history, red ........................................................ ............. £5,295
09) Nissan Micra 1.2 16v Tekna 5dr, full service history, silver .............................................................. £3,990
2006 (06) Ford Fiesta 1.4 Freedom 3dr, black, 75,340 miles ............................................................ £2,895

(05) Mazda MX 5, £3,695
(05) Mini Hatch Cooper S 1.6, £4,395
(05) Ford Fiesta 1.4 Ghia, £4,995
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Club looking for the next Josh Steel

HARLOW Hawks Basketball Club are looking for the next Josh Steel as they prepare to launch two new U12 teams for next season.

Hawks head coach Shab Niaz, 16, said the club hopes to run a boys' team and a mixed team.

He hopes talented new players can follow in the footsteps of England U18 player Josh Steel, who started out at Harlow Hawks.

A NEW HOPE: Players will hope to follow in the footsteps of England U18 player Josh Steel, who started out at Harlow Hawks.

The teenagers have been with the club since the age of five.

The U11s and U12s also enjoy training sessions run by the trio of U18 players at Mark Hall Sportscentre.

Niaz explained: "They started coaching with me two years ago. Primarily they are doing this for their GCSE PE."

"They organise what they are going to cover with the young teams: passing, shooting, warm-up drills."

Confidence

"It’s helping them with their education. Certainly speaking for Mubbasher he has the confidence to talk to people."

"They have developed a rapport with the youngest kids as well. It’s pleasing to see him and I’m very proud of how the kids have done."

The three boys all have Level One refereeing coaching badges from Basketball England.

"The U11 league could not carry on running without these guys," Niaz added.

Meanwhile, Niaz is hoping England Basketball have a rethink on plans which will take the competitive edge out of league matches for U12 age-group teams next season.

Some sides will play with just four players on each team and play across court rather than on full size pitches, while rather controversially the scores will revert back to 0-0 at the end of each quarter, and the final results will not be recorded.

"A lot of clubs are not happy with that format," said Niaz. "We need to look at other European nations.”

However, Niaz is delighted with the number of youth teams now being run at the club.

"We are slowly progressing and that is reflected in the number of players being picked for county teams in Essex and Hertfordshire."

"In the 2013-14 season there were seven – four in Harlow and three in Essex – now there are nine.”

Niaz stepped down as first team player and coach at the start of last season, but missed it so much he stepped back on to the court just a couple of months into the 2014-15 season.

Despite just being a few years off 20, he will continue to play in the Herts County Basketball League next season, which starts in September.

"We are really enjoying the coaching and refereeing and wanted to help the club and young players in their development."

"We are really pleased with the three boys coaching the juniors and with the help of Mubbasher Niaz now we can really focus on running without these guys," Niaz added.

LEARNING CURVE: Hawks U18 basketball coach Mubbasher Niaz, 16, puts youngsters through their paces. (Below), Mubbasher with fellow coaches Joshua Haddock, 16, and Joshua Duttnall, 17.

Photos by Melissa Page
Sam seals all-American honour

SAM Watts has continued his stunning season by becoming an all-American athlete. Having qualified just over two weeks ago, the 25-year-old, who was born and brought up in Harlow, competed in the NCAA Division One Championships in Eugene, Oregon.

In a busy weekend for Watts, who attends Texas Christian University in the United States, he ran in three events, the 200m, 4x100m and 4x400m relays. The highlight of his competition came in the 4x100m, where he ran the second leg.

In their heat, the team of Cameron Echols-Luper, Watts, Ronnie Baker and Kolby Listenbee ran an impressive 38.38s – the fastest time in the season to qualify for the final. The quartet then bettered that with a fantastic 38.29 in the final, however it was still not enough to take gold.

They were just pipped to the line by the Arkansas Rabbits who posted a time of 38.47.

TCU’s time was quick enough to earn them first team all-American honours, however, which is awarded to outstanding amateur athletes.

In his favoured individual event, the 200m, Watts ran a decent 20.74 in his heat. However, this was only good enough to come sixth and therefore he did not qualify for the final.

The eventual winner was 20-year-old Andre De Grasse in an outstanding 19.80, the fastest ever time by a college athlete.

In the 4x400m, Watts and his relay team came sixth in their heat.

Again, this was not good enough to qualify for the final.

The event capped off a fantastic American season for Watts, finishing with a fourth in the fastest indoor 200m time of 20.69 back in February.

He will be competing in the British Championships in Birmingham on July 3-5.

ON YOUR MARKS: Sam Watts has had a great American season

Great turnout a boost for athletic club in East meet

HARLOW Athletic Club fielded its largest team this season in their last Eastern Athletics League meeting this month.

The club fielded across all age groups and there were some excellent performances. Harlows' Reddisonz, aged 11, saluted in the U15 A string 100m.

Jordan Sheridan, 11.75 in the U17 triple jump to claim fourth, five centimetres away from his PB.

Kieran Bull threw well in both the U17 javelin and discus events.

The discus throw of 28.85 was a PB and he looks set to break 30 metres in his first season in the age group.

In the javelin he threw 27.42, close to his best performance.

Christian Barker was third in the U17 100m (4m 05.9sec) – his best time as an U17.

In the U15 age group, Teale Cunningham won in his first 800m race of the season (3.16).

National ranking

This time put him straight into the national ranking list at 75.

Daniyel Sanderson won the B 800m hurdles, with a time which would have put him third in the A race he had been allowed to compete in the same race as Cunningham.

Cunningham followed up his hurdles success with first place in the high jump and second in the 300m.

Fallowfield Diamond made his first appearance for the team in the 100ms, finishing third in the 100m and there were two solid performances in the 800m.

Sam Collins was fourth in the A race and club debutant, Callum Perry, was third in the B.

Laura Kulagowska made her track debut in the U15 girls' Mile.

Lottie Rowedder continued her star season with third in the 1500m in 5m 19.77 and Elidith Malcolm was just outside her PB as she ran the 300m in 47.4.

Meanwhile, on the field Beth Harriman picked up a second place and third place in the high jump and long jump respectively.

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HISTORY MAKERS

Harlow teams do battle while Libby makes her debut

by Alasdair Gold
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THE rain this month has not stopped plenty of history being made as Harlow sides have taken to cricket pitches. Although the weather saw off all of Harlow Town and Harlow Cricket Club’s other games on Saturday, that threw the spotlight on their second teams’ big match – the first time the two sides had met in years at a senior level.

In the Essex League Division Two clash, it was Harlow Town who finished victorious by 11 runs in a reduced overs game at Phoenix Park. Harlow won the toss and chose to bat, which seemed to be the sensible decision with the prevailing damp conditions.

Harlow had Town at 60-2 but with some poor fielding and inspired batting they progressed smoothly, seeing them reach 367-4 in their allotted 45 overs, with Jason Gladwin unbeaten on 102 and a superb innings of 85 in exactly 85 balls from Charlie Coleman dominating the scoring for Town.

As the innings finished then down came the rain. After a lengthy stoppage, an amended target of 216 in just 36 overs was set for Harlow.

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However, the duo then lost their wickets in quick succession and the target proved beyond the rest of the order as Harlow finished on 205-9 from their 30 overs.

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