

**ESSEXISM**

Item Name	Description	Date	Origin	Ref. No.
<b>Essex Abroad</b>				
<b>Jennifer Lawrence thinks TOWIE is ‘ridiculously amazing’ and is a ‘big fan of British TV’</b>	Online short article appearing in Mirror online, describes how the Hollywood actress Jennifer Lawrence adores the show <i>TOWIE</i> and British television. She explains that on these shows people swear more than those who appear on American television.	29/01/2014	Mirror (online), Claire Hodgson	EA-001-2014
<b>The Only Way Is Katniss: TOWIE IS TOPS SAYS OSCAR-WINNING JEN</b>	Sun showbiz column reports on how the Hollywood Oscar-winner Jennifer Lawrence loves British reality television, especially the programme <i>The Only Way Is Essex (TOWIE)</i> , describing it as ‘It’s like another world in Essex’.	29/01/2014	The Sun (p.23), Caroline McGuire, Tom Thorogood, Ayesha Walsh	EA-002-2014
<b>The only way is Essex for Brad: Pitt pops into a Wimpy for cheeseburger</b>	Standard reports on the occasion that Hollywood film star Brad Pitt visited Wimpy in Billericay for a cheeseburger, and not being able to pick up his favourite doughnuts.	10/07/2014	Standard (online), Rachel Sigee	EA-003-2014
<b>Hey big spender! Brad Pitt splashes out on burger feast at Wimpy in Essex</b>	A report in the Express on the occasion that Hollywood film star Brad Pitt visited Wimpy in Billericay for a cheeseburger.	10/07/2014	Express (online), Kirsty McCormack	EA-004-2014
<b>Chris Pratt Absolutely Nails TOWIE Accent</b>	<i>Jurassic World</i> star Chris Pratt practises his <i>TOWIE</i> accent after recently watching the show in the UK.	29/05/2015	YouTube, <i>The Graham Norton Show</i>	EA-005-2015
<b>Essex village used in ‘appalling’ Trump candidate advert</b>	Article on BBC News about the US Trump congressional candidate campaign advert using an image of Jaywick Sands, near Clacton in Essex, to attack Nick Stella’s Democrat opponent.	31/10/2018	BBC News (online)	EA-006-2018
<b>Essex Celebrity</b>				
<b>The Comic Strip Presents: Gino</b>	Episode ‘Gino’ from the <i>Comic Strip Presents</i> series starring Dawn French, Keith Allen, Adrian Edmondson, Rik Mayall, Nigel Planer, Peter Richardson and Jennifer Saunders. ‘Gino’ is the story of a delinquent and Angie the party girl. Due to an excess of drink and drugs and taxi rides, the couple have a series of adventures ending in a Essex motel with confrontations with the media and the police.	28/01/1984	Channel 4	EC-001-1984
<b>The boy done good</b>	Julie Burchill reflects on the ‘working class hero’ David Beckham who went on to become a footballer. Exploring how like others his parents sought opportunity from East End London to borders of Essex; ‘Like all real East Enders, they soon moved to Essex. Much derided by those with more taste than soul, the Essex of the postwar period provided a real chance for cramped and crouched Londoners to stretch their limbs’. The writer goes on to summarise how this is contrasted with the partnership with Victoria Beckham, his wife, who herself is from Harlow, Essex – ‘one of the appealing and interesting things about the Beckhams is that he, a football player from Essex, should be common but seems so aristocratic, while she, with her tarty clothes, turned-up nose and Estuary squawk, is so delightfully common’.	20/10/2002	The Guardian (online), Julie Burchill	EC-003-2002
<b>Jamie Oliver: Essex boy made good</b>	Following a press conference at Downing Street that school dinners will be overhauled, The Times reflects on the celebrity cook Jamie Oliver an ‘Essex boy made good’, who growing up above a pub has gone onto sign lucrative supermarket deals, publish books, present numerous shows, and now successfully campaigned the UK Government to improve school dinners.	30/03/2005	The Times (online), Philippe Naughton	EC-004-2005
<b>The Essex boy’s done real good: JAMIE’S SCHOOL WINNER</b>	The Daily Star comments on how Jamie Oliver, born in Clavering, Essex, grew up above a pub with his parents and went from peeling carrots for pocket money to Catering College at Westminster in 1991, training in France, to being a TV chef. It notes how his Essex accent and vocabulary on screen hasn’t gone down well with viewers, but his career has taken off, and has managed to ‘shame the Government’ into acting on school dinners being captioned as ‘Zero to Hero’.	31/03/2005	Daily Star (p.4), Nigel Pauley	EC-005-2005

<b>Nothing fake about Chantelle after her 'Big Brother' win</b>	Cahal Milmo writes about Chantelle Houghton, a then 22-year-old from Wickford in Essex who won <i>Celebrity Big Brother</i> – commenting on the irony that the nearest she had come to celebrity before the series was by appearing in pubs as a Paris Hilton look-alike.	28/01/2006	The Independent (online), Cahal Milmo	EC-006-2006
<b>From nobody much to someone special</b>	An article in The Guardian about Chantelle Houghton, the Essex look-alike nicknamed Paris Travelodge, the 'girl who became famous for not being famous'. Now Chantelle Houghton is set to live the high life for real after winning the most over-the-top <i>Celebrity Big Brother</i> .	29/01/2006	The Guardian (online), Lucy Rock	EC-007-2006
<b>AFTER AN ORDINARY ESSEX GIRL TROUNCES THE BIG BROTHER CELEBRITIES... Chantelle, this Eliza Doolittle of our age</b>	This article explores how Chantelle Houghton, having just won a reality television programme has put the Essex town Wickford on the map. It goes in detail to discuss that she has come from one of Wickford's 'several unremarkable council estates' whilst referring to her in saying that 'To Prada-clad metropolitan sophisticates, the willow bottle-blonde with rather obvious hair extensions no doubt looks like someone who has dressed in the dark'. The stars sudden public image will result in numerous media presentations and the writer regards her as an 'Eliza Doolittle for our celebrity-obsessed age'.	30/01/2006	Daily Mail (p.15), Richard Pendlebury	EC-008-2006
<b>Simon Says</b>	A profile on the Woodham-born Essex writer Simon Heffer, who coined the term 'Essex Man'. In this online article the writer explores Heffers upbringing whilst debating his response to those who claim Essex has a negative image, when in fact 'Essex doesn't have a negative image. If it did, it wouldn't be so wealthy. This is a fiction put about by people who want to spend our money trying to correct it. When I was a child, Essex was not a wealthy county. It now is, and it's Essex Man who's made it so'.	13/10/2008	Great British Life (online)	EC-009-2008
<b>HOLLYWOOD QUEEN AND THE ESSEX BOY</b>	Simon Edge writes in this article for Daily Express about how a former bricklayer Paul Sculfor from Hornchurch in Essex has gone on to front fashion designer campaigns across the world, having now being noted for dating numerous Hollywood stars including Cameron Diaz.	19/01/2009	Daily Express (p.26, 27), Simon Edge	EC-010-2009
<b>Denise Van Outen: Why My BASILDON beats HOLLYWOOD</b>	Denise van Outen from Basildon, Essex, writes how she would prefer to live in Basildon despite the warmer weather in Los Angeles because of the local community and people due to having a 'really strong work ethic' and 'honesty' which she says Hollywood lacks. She goes onto explain that 1980s Basildon produced a lot of stars and culture, and even though 'Essex Girl' jokes have tarnished the area she feels it still has a lot to offer.	31/03/2010	The Sun (p.8), Denise van Outen	EC-011-2010
<b>The Only Way Is Essex 'TOWIE'</b>	The television programme initially on ITV2, <i>The Only Way Is Essex</i> known colloquially as <i>TOWIE</i> is a constructed reality series which follows people living in Essex. Characters and residents include a club promoter, models, bar owners and shop owners. Each episode features action filmed just a few days previously.	10/10/2010	ITV2	EC-012-2010
<b>Essex is the Place to be – Stay with the Stars</b>	In this snippet article from The Sun reports how Hotel.com states that the reality TV programme <i>TOWIE</i> has resulted in a tourist boom in the South East region by nearly 140%. It notes that places like Brentwood and Basildon have featured heavily in search engines across their platform.	05/03/2011	The Sun (p.49)	EC-013-2011
<b>Chavs top the toffs</b>	TV editor for Daily Mirror reports on how <i>The Only Way Is Essex (TOWIE)</i> beat <i>Downton Abbey</i> at the BAFTAs in the audience vote alongside <i>Sherlock</i> . It goes on to describe Amy Childs as remarking 'Shut up' in her speech at the podium and how James Argent describing himself as 'Out of place'.	23/05/2011	Daily Mirror (p.M3), Nicola Methven	EC-014-2011
<b>AMY, THE ES-SEX SYMBOL</b>	This feature in Daily Express by Simon Edge explores the fame of Amy Childs since <i>TOWIE</i> as she enters the <i>Big Brother</i> house, reflecting on her childhood years. Discussion is made about her on-screen conversations with other housemates about 'Essex culture' and the looks that are associated with the residents publically. It also goes into depth about how the negative stereotype may have changed hands given that it is becoming advantageous with the rise of Essex stars, and so Childs may be able to profit from the reality TV stints, told alongside an image of her in underwear.	27/08/2011	Daily Express (p.22, 23), Simon Edge	EC-015-2011

<b>Calls for 4,000-year-old idol to stay in Dagenham – its ‘rightful home’</b>	Appearing in a local newspaper in Barking and Dagenham, this report reflects on public calls of a 1,500 signed petition for the ‘Dagenham idol’, which is believed to be one of the earliest representations of a human form discovered near Ripple Road to be returned from Colchester Museum to Dagenham.	22/09/2011	Barking and Dagenham Post (online), Sara Odeen-Isbister	EC-016-2011
<b>Here, kitty kitty: Image of ‘Essex Lion’ that sparked massive police hunt is finally revealed as officers call off the search and admit sightings were probably of a ‘large domestic cat’</b>	Daily Mail reports on how following the media coverage of the alleged ‘Essex Lion’ hunt in Clacton in Essex, the Essex police have announced that it was probably just a ‘domestic cat’.	26/08/2012	Daily Mail (online), John Stevens, Hannah Roberts, Larisa Brown	EC-017-2012
<b>Orange female with long nails in Essex? Good luck with that hunt!': Hilarious Twitter comments and pictures as police call off the search for ‘lion on the loose’</b>	Daily Mail reports on how following the announcement of the ‘Essex Lion’ probably being a domestic cat, the public on social media have been producing memes about the ‘Essex Lion’ in relation to Essex Girls and Gemma Collins.	27/08/2012	Daily Mail (online), Larisa Brown	EC-018-2012
<b>Roaring laughing: Twitter users see funny side of Essex lion hunt with hilarious virals: Minutes after news broke of a beast roaming the streets of St Osyth, near Clacton, a parody account had been set up on the social networking site</b>	Mirror reports on how following the announcement of the ‘Essex Lion’ probably being a domestic cat, a parody social media account on Twitter has been created to mock the ‘Essex Lion’ in relation to Essex jokes.	27/08/2012	Mirror (online), Natalie Evans	EC-019-2012
<b>‘Essex lion was my pet cat Teddy Bear’ – owner</b>	BBC News reports on how a resident from Clacton in Essex where the sightings of the ‘Essex Lion’ were reported, believes that the lion was in fact her pet cat ‘Teddy Bear’.	28/08/2012	BBC News (online)	EC-020-2012
<b>You’re all just jealous of Essex!</b>	This article snippet in the Daily Express explores how an Essex Man is asked to come on BBC Radio 4 to defend his birth county, Essex. Following the media spotlight of the ‘Essex Lion’ sighting in Clacton-on-Sea, this article begins to question why so many are the butt of jokes around Essex.	01/09/2012	Daily Express (p.34)	EC-021-2012
<b>Brad Pitt shock for Essex and Suffolk water firm workers</b>	The BBC reports on the staff of Essex and Suffolk Water being shocked following their site in East Hanningfield being turned into a South Korean prison for the film <i>World War Z</i> , starring and produced by Hollywood star Brad Pitt.	27/06/2013	BBC News (online)	EC-022-2013
<b>Fake tan Essex boy Rylan Clark gets boot from X Factor judges</b>	The Daily Record publishes an article about the <i>X Factor</i> contestant Rylan Clark who is from Stanford-le-Hope in Essex, who was just eliminated from the singing competition. The article makes reference to the singer’s appearance and him being a ‘Essex Boy’.	25/11/2013	Daily Record (online)	EC-023-2013
<b>Gemma Collins: ‘Kiss My Designer Vagina’</b>	A compilation of videos and clips of Gemma Collins on <i>Celebrity Big Brother CBB</i> , in which she says the phrase ‘Kiss My Designer Vagina’ in response to her critics.	12/02/2014	YouTube, Slim Pickens	EC-024-2014
<b>The Essex Boy Made Good: a Jamie Oliver profile</b>	A profile on the Essex Boy celebrity cook Jamie Oliver who was born in Clavering, Essex, raised above a pub has gone onto become a television star, whilst confronting school dinner politics.	23/05/2014	The Best You Magazine (online)	EC-025-2014
<b>How dare Posh! She’s Queen of Essex</b>	The Sun reports on how celebrities fight back after Victoria Beckham, from Harlow, Essex, said ‘I would like to forget the Essex bit’ at a New York fashion event.	05/04/2015	The Sun (online)	EC-026-2015
<b>Victoria Beckham defends Essex comments</b>	Hello Magazine reports on how following Victoria Beckham criticising her home county of Essex at a New York fashion event, she posted on Instagram an image of a pink pin badge saying ‘Essex Girl & Proud Of It’.	07/06/2015	Hello Magazine (online)	EC-027-2015

<b>TOWIE fans ‘are taking over Essex’</b>	This news feature explores the famous media images of the fake tan, ‘reem’ and big hair – things associated with the TV show <i>The Only Way Is Essex</i> . An interviewer asks if the popular reality programme is making the locals unhappy.	04/08/2015	YouTube, 5 News	EC-028-2015
<b>Mrs Hinch and the great cleaning con: why women should be worried about the rise of domestic influencers</b>	Marisa Bate reflects on how the cleaner and social media influencer, Sophie Hinchcliffe known as Mrs Hinch, an Essex celebrity who posts about cleaning routines and tips across her instagram account and has various book deals. Having gone from 1,000 to 1.9 million followers, and creating a sales boost for supermarkets with product recommendations, the writer suggests ‘cleaning’ is the wrong message to send to young women.	04/04/2019	Marie Claire (online), Marisa Bate	EC-029-2019
<b>Gogglebox star George Gilbey, 35, is jailed for three months for drink driving after petrol station staff smelled alcohol on his breath when he went to buy fuel</b>	The Daily Mail reports on the reality television star from <i>Gogglebox</i> who is the son of the family from Clacton in Essex, who has been arrested for drink driving. This follows a departure from the Channel 4 programme and appearing on <i>Big Brother</i> .	13/10/2019	Daily Mail (online), James Gant	EC-030-2019
<b>Essex scrubs off fake tan to show tourists new face</b>	Pravina Rudra in The Times writes how an Essex tourist board has had enough with the Essex typings, and that this month will begin implementing a strategy to ‘convince the world that Essex has more to offer than orange skin and a beauty treatment known as the “vajazzle”’.	01/03/2020	The Times (online), Pravina Rudra	EC-031-2020
<b>‘This is the worst thing I’ve ever seen’: how The Only Way is Essex warped our reality</b>	Kate Lloyd writes for The Telegraph about the cast from <i>The Only Way Is Essex (TOWIE)</i> , reflecting on the impact the show has had on their lives and the public perception.	26/11/2020	The Telegraph (online), Kate Lloyd	EC-032-2020
<b>Michael McIntyre’s The Wheel, Series 1: Episode 4: Gemma Collins</b>	Former <i>TOWIE</i> star Gemma Collins appears on the television programme <i>The Wheel</i> .	19/12/2020	BBC Programmes, <i>Michael McIntyre’s The Wheel</i>	EC-033-2020
<b>ONLY WAY IS ES-SEX Tragic Mick Norcross let hardcore porn version of Towie be filmed at his club</b>	Following the death of <i>TOWIE</i> star Mick Norcross, The Sun reports on how the financial struggles of the Sugar Hut led to a porn video being shot in the bar.	31/01/2021	The Sun (online), Hannah Hope	EC-034-2021
<b>Liz Jones: My Date Nick Kamen, Essex Dream Boy</b>	Following the announcement of the death of Harlow born Nick Kamen who was the famous Levi’s model and Madonna protégé, Liz Jones reflects on a previous meeting with him – ‘I remember sitting in the office, in a Kamen sandwich, feeling a very lucky lady indeed. They were both Essex boys: confident, cocky: I imagine if they took you to the cinema, they’d be all hands. Barry was stocky, cerebral, quieter. Nick oozed confidence and charm. You could feel their working class parents’ control from afar, instilling good manners and a strong work ethic’.	06/05/2021	Daily Mail (p.25), Liza Jones	EC-035-2021
<b>Sweetest Man... Levi’s Hunk Kamen Dies At 59</b>	Article appearing in Metro reporting on the death of Nick Kamen who was the famous Levi’s model also known as Madonna’s protégé. The article makes reference to the fact he was born in Harlow, Essex, and how he reached international stardom in fashion campaigns.	06/05/2021	Metro (p.3), Andrei Harmsworth	EC-036-2021

## Essex Criminal

<b>The Essex Triangle: Four Decades of Murder by David Thurlow</b>	Reporter David Thurlow detected a high incidence of crime in a small triangle between Colchester, Great Dunmow and Tolleshunt d’Arcy. Inside this book he explores the ‘triangle’ of crime such as Jeremy Bamber, a local man who murdered his five members of his family.	31/08/1990	<i>The Essex Triangle: Four Decades of Murder</i> , David Thurlow, Robert Hale	ECR-001-1990
<b>Essex geek ‘is Sony hacker’</b>	The Sun reports on how a teenager from Wickford in Essex has been arrested for a series of alleged global hacking attacks (affecting Sony, Nintendo, and Government organisations) through the online group Lulzec.	21/06/2011	The Sun (online), Mike Sullivan, Anthony France, Neil Syson, Rhodri Phillips	ECR-002-2011

<b>Hunt for hackers of US government sites leads to Essex teenager's bedroom</b>	The Guardian reports on how a teenager from Wickford in Essex has been arrested for a series of alleged global hacking attacks under the heading of 'Hunt for hackers of US government sites leads to Essex teenager's bedroom'. Companies such as Sony, Nintendo and Government organisations were hacked through the online group Lulzsec.	21/06/2011	The Guardian (online), Vikram Dodd, Josh Halliday, Charles Arthur	ECR-003-2011
<b>Cyber Attack Arrest</b>	Arrested in his Essex home, Channel 4 News reports on a teenage computer user who is at the centre of an FBI / UK Police investigation into hacking attacks on major transatlantic institutions.	21/06/2011	YouTube, Channel 4 News	ECR-004-2011
<b>Drone footage: Purfleet 'mile-long' fly-tipping site</b>	Online video on BBC News of the mile-long fly tipping on a site in Purfleet, Essex with footage taken by a drone to evidence the scale and the labour required by the local Council to address it.	25/01/2015	BBC News (online)	ECR-005-2015
<b>Amazing before-and-after pictures show how world's largest spring clean clears trail of rubbish a mile-long left by criminal fly-tippers</b>	Daily Mail online article which evidences the scale of the Purfleet mile-long fly tipping, with detailed 'before and after' images of the rubbish left by organised environmental criminals.	10/06/2015	Daily Mail (online), Richard Spillett	ECR-006-2015
<b>Five men sentenced over half-mile long Purfleet fly-tipping site</b>	Article on BBC News online about the sentencing of five men at Basildon Magistrates Court who were responsible for 'mile-long' illegal fly tipping in Purfleet, Essex.	12/06/2015	BBC News (online)	ECR-007-2015
<b>£6m yacht owned by murdered conman Goldfinger is found in a rundown dock on Tenerife</b>	After the death of Essex conman 'Goldfinger' one of his yachts valued at £6 million is found in a dilapidated dock in Tenerife.	12/08/2015	Mirror (online), Nick Dorman	ECR-008-2015
<b>21st Anniversary of the 1995 Rettendon Range Rover Murders: WATCH the shocking truth</b>	'WATCH the shocking true story of the Essex Range Rover murders on the 21st Anniversary of the deaths of gangland leaders Tony Tucker, Pat Tate and Craig Rolfe. Watch three exclusive clips from new documentary Essex Boys: The Truth'.	07/12/2016	Express (online), Stefan Kyriazis	ECR-009-2016
<b>John 'Goldfinger' Palmer murder: Paramedic's concerns ignored</b>	BBC News article that reports on how a paramedic called to treat notorious criminal, John Palmer, gunned down in his garden in Essex, had raised doubts about the cause of his fatal injuries.	12/03/2017	BBC News (online), Laurence Cawley	ECR-010-2017
<b>Southend Throwback: The souped-up cars by the seaside</b>	A news article throwback video on BBC News website reporting on two thousand cars who are said to have attended an unofficial car meet on Southend seafront. The article also explains how that in 2015 Southend Borough Council took out a court injunction to ban these similar events from occurring.	23/03/2017	BBC News (online)	ECR-011-2017
<b>GUNNING FOR GOLDFINGER Gangland boss John 'Goldfinger' Palmer shot dead outside his Essex home had 16,000 reasons to die</b>	The Sun reports on how police believed that the 'Gangland' boss John 'Goldfinger' Palmer had 16,000 reasons to die when he was shot dead outside his Essex home. The underworld kingpin's life of violence and crime ended three years ago when he was killed in his garden by a mystery assassin who has never been found.	10/08/2018	The Sun (online), Lauren Fruen	ECR-012-2018
<b>Police Interceptors: Boy Racer Having a Stupid Laugh in Essex</b>	A clip from the television programme <i>Police Interceptors</i> features a 'Boy Racer' being chased by a police car in the town Chigwell in Essex	06/10/2018	YouTube, Dyllion TheRetroVHS	ECR-013-2018
<b>Essex Boys killing: drug lords were 'slaughtered by feared gang'</b>	'It was a crime that shocked Britain: three men killed in a Range Rover in Essex in the snow, a triple murder that might have been linked to Leah Betts, 18, who had died after taking ecstasy. The shooting of three drug barons — Patrick Tate, Tony Tucker and Craig Rolfe — in December 1995 became known as the Rettendon murders, spawning a hit film called Essex Boys that starred Sean Bean.'	23/12/2018	The Times (online), Tom Harper	ECR-014-2018
<b>The hidden reality of Essex's gangland underworld where sex, violence and drugs are rife</b>	Article in Essex Live which reports on the rising crimes rates and how underground gangs in Essex suburbs are posting about their crime lifestyles and 'drill' videos on social media Instagram accounts. It notes how public in Essex are becoming increasingly concerned about stabbing and attacks outside train stations.	22/09/2019	Essex Live (online), Elliot Hawkins, Hope Woolston	ECR-015-2019

<b>White House Farm murders: The horrifying true story of how Jeremy Bamber massacred his family then told obscene jokes at the funeral</b>	The Independent reports on the background story of the 'White House Farm Murders' which occurred in Goldhanger, Essex, and the wider image of Jeremy Bamber who was convicted for murdering his family.	00/01/2020	The Independent, Colin Drury	ECR-016-2020
<b>White House Farm: Who is Jeremy Bamber?</b>	Reflecting on the recent <i>White House Farm</i> drama on ITV, this BBC News article explores the profile of Jeremy Bamber who was convicted of killing his family in their home in Goldhanger, Essex.	08/01/2020	BBC News (online), Doug Faulkner	ECR-017-2020
<b>The truth behind the 'Essex Boys' Rettendon murders and how three drug dealers were found dead in a Range Rover</b>	Elliot Hawkins writes for Essex Live exploring the infamous Rettendon so called 'Essex Boys' murders in Essex and the drug underground culture that was a direct involvement around the deaths.	01/03/2020	Essex Live (online), Elliot Hawkins	ECR-018-2020
<b>Essex boys' murderer set to be freed from prison while still battling to clear his name</b>	Jack Whomes who had been convicted for murdering men in relation to the Essex Boys murders is reported to be free. This article also explores the links around the drug underworld and how it is believed their activities influenced the death of Leah Betts.	02/03/2020	Mirror (online), Tom Pettifor	ECR-019-2020
<b>Three men arrested in Essex after haul of loo roll found in van</b>	The Guardian reports on three men from Essex having been arrested after police found a van full of stolen toilet roll and hand wash.	21/03/2020	The Guardian (online), Aaron Walawalkar	ECR-020-2020
<b>Crimes That Shook Britain – Jeremy Bamber</b>	Crime documentary exploring the profile of Jeremy Bamber an Englishman who was convicted of the 'White House Farm Murders'. He was found guilty in October 1986 of the August 1985 shooting of his parents, his sister, and his sister's six-year-old twin sons at his parents' farmhouse in Essex.	08/04/2020	YouTube, TRUECRIME-FAN101	ECR-021-2020
<b>Huge crowds flock to Southend seafront for unofficial car meet event</b>	Local newspaper Echo Southend reports on the unofficial car meet that occurred in Southend seafront during the pandemic, with an online community of nearly 5,000 people claiming they were attending.	01/09/2020	Echo Southend (online), Matthew Critchell	ECR-022-2020
<b>Sea of souped-up motors flood Southend seafront as up to 5,000 petrol-heads attend unofficial bank holiday car meet</b>	The Daily Mail reports on how over 5,000 people attended an unofficial car meet on Southend seafront during the middle of the Covid pandemic despite the restrictions. Essex Police attended the scene ordering people to disperse from the area.	01/09/2020	Daily Mail (online), Rory Tingle	ECR-023-2020
<b>The only way is oil for the Essex armchair traders who hit £500m: Nine investors who made a killing in April face investigations over their tactics</b>	The Times reports on how a group of 'armchair traders' from Horndon, Essex are being investigated due to having made over £491 million in one day after oil prices turned negative during the Covid pandemic.	19/12/2020	The Times (online), Jamie Nimmo	ECR-024-2020
<b>The wolves of West Horndon: How a group of Essex traders made £491million in ONE DAY when oil prices turned negative amidst the Covid crisis – as US coin-dealing firm launches a lawsuit against them</b>	The Daily Mail reports on how a group of traders from Horndon, Essex are being investigated due to having made over £491 million in one day after oil prices turned negative during the Covid pandemic. The article compares these traders to those who are in the US feature film <i>Wolf of Wall Street</i> .	25/12/2020	Daily Mail (online), Sian Boyle, David Jones	ECR-025-2020
<b>New Year's Eve rave Brentwood Essex what lockdown?? Rave in abandoned church</b>	Video footage of illegal rave organised in a Brentwood church for New Years Eve during the pandemic which resulted in Essex Police breaking through a barricaded door and landing the organiser with a fine.	01/01/2021	YouTube, Ricky Millwall	ECR-026-2021
<b>Man fined £10,000 for organising rave which trashed 500-year-old Essex church</b>	Appearing in the Metro, a man from Essex was fined for organising a rave in a historic church during the pandemic. The event which was widely reported on in the media drew heavy criticism, especially across social media and Facebook Live.	04/02/2021	Metro (online), Lucy Middleton	ECR-027-2021
<b>Katie Hopkins has her say on 'non essential' Canvey dogging event</b>	Following various media coverage of a potential organised 'dogging event' in Canvey Island in Essex, Katie Hopkins comments on the fact that Essex Police have confirmed that 'dogging' is not an essential activity.	24/02/2021	Gazette (online), Ellis Whitehouse	ECR-028-2021

<b>Dogging meet-up in Essex is postponed at last minute</b>	Following various media coverage of a potential organised 'dogging event' in Canvey, Essex Police confirm that 'dogging' is not essential, and that the event was now postponed by the online group.	27/02/2021	Gazette (online), Toby Emes	ECR-029-2021
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## Essex Dream

<b>Perry's shrine to Essex Girls</b>	The Evening Standard report on Turner Prize winning artist Grayson Perry having been granted planning permission to design and build a dream house in Wrabness, Essex. It notes that Perry has described it as a 'living shrine' to an Essex woman and intended to confront the Essex Girl stereotype.	03/10/2012	Evening Standard (p.32)	ED-001-2012
<b>Billy Bragg &amp; The A13: An Essex Romance – Ford: Dagenham Dreams</b>	'In the 1970s there was no fast route north of Barking. No M11 to take you up to Cambridge, no A406. To the south there was only marshes and the river. All the excitement was east and west: London and Southend. And the quickest way to get there was the A13. Join Influx with Billy Bragg on the A13.'	04/02/2015	YouTube, Influx	ED-002-2015
<b>Who would holiday in a house like this?</b>	A television news feature on the Essex born and Turner Prize winning artist Grayson Perry, who unveils his dream holiday home in Wrabness. The house – complete with its exterior of turrets, a weather vane, and coated in an array of green and white tiles, an interior of relics and tapestries – is inspired and dedicated as a shrine to his imaginary character Julie Cope, as she ventures through a tale of social mobility from Canvey Island to Maldon.	15/05/2016	Channel 4 News	ED-003-2016

## Essex Family

<b>Class Rule: Towards a Classless Society</b>	This documentary explores the class system in Britain, and how the Thatcherite policies under Conservatives have shaped and informed our understanding of it in 1990s. Including how the party strategy was to win over the unskilled and skilled working classes referred to as the 'C's and D's', who MP Norman Tebbit believed the policies at the time would facilitate, as they 'would naturally appeal to the C's and D's'.	17/12/1991	BBC Programmes	EF-001-1991
<b>Family Confidential: Basildon Boobs (featuring lap dancer Vicky Black)</b>	This show features the lap dancer from Basildon, Vicky Black, on television show <i>Family Confidential Special: Basildon Boobs</i> for Channel 5 documenting her boob job 'to boost her profile' as a model.	00/10/1999	Channel 5	EF-002-1999
<b>Wish you were here! Meet the hilarious Essex family who have made Gogglebox a must-see</b>	This article reflects on the family from Clacton in Essex who appear on the reality television show <i>Gogglebox</i> , and who have become a favourite of the audience.	18/08/2014	Daily Star (online), Jennifer Dunkerley	EF-003-2014

## Essex Girl

<b>The Word Series 2: Essex Girls</b>	A documentary short as part of <i>The Word</i> series filmed in Essex locations such as Chigwell, exploring what an Essex Girl means. Local residents and outsiders discuss in their homes and workplaces, the impact of the stereotype along with interjections of voice overs in the form of Essex jokes.	25/10/1991	Channel 4, <i>The Word</i> , Series 2	EG-001-1991
<b>Q What do you get if you cross 2 Essex girls with New Kids? A Sex all night</b>	Piers Morgan writes for The Sun about how two young women from Essex claim they had a 'romp' in a hotel suite in London with the Hollywood stars Marky Mark and Donnie Wahlberg. This article details a series of events that led to this encounter and situations after, under the framing of the two women as comical 'Essex Girls'.	01/11/1991	The Sun (p.25), Piers Morgan	EG-002-1991
<b>How do you tell an Essex Girl from a West Coast blonde?</b>	Andrew Brown explores how Essex Girl jokes have arrived in the domain of British colloquial dialogues, claiming that 'blonde' jokes from West Coast of America evolved into Essex Girl jokes in the UK. Noting how this has become a craze in the UK from The Sun newspaper sections to Essex, or books being published to reflect Essex Girl jokes. Brown believes the effect of this is the emergence of a 'new class' which is being reflected in various advertising campaigns and that 'with the contempt for middle class spending habits goes a contempt for middle class morals and feminism'.	05/11/1991	The Independent, Andrew Brown	EG-003-1991



<b>Girls who put the sex in Essex</b>	In The Sun features their announcement of a week of investigating the public image of the Essex County, from Essex Girl jokes questioning whether 'Essex girls really put the sex in Essex'. This article highlights a host of prizes to complete the Essex Look by 'winning a sunbed or year's supply of fake tanning cream'.	02/11/1991	The Sun (p.15)	EG-004-1991
<b>Q Where do young Essex girls shop? A Boys R Us!</b>	In this page feature The Sun publishes a collection of Essex Girl jokes from the recently published book <i>The Essex Girl Joke Book</i> by Ray Leigh and Brent Wood, as part of the week's editorial theme.	4/11/1991	The Sun (p.9), Ray Leigh, Brent Wood	EG-005-1991
<b>Page 3 Essex girls</b>	As part of their 'Page 3 Essex Girls' series, The Sun published an image of Susannah Valentine to kick start their Essex Girl week featuring a biography comment and the subtitle 'Susie has chaps all a-quaver'.	04/11/1991	The Sun (p.3)	EG-006-1991
<b>Scrap the Jury... Nine of them live in Essex</b>	During a rape case in a court, Judge Mr Justice Swinton Thomas throws out the jury after claims by the defense lawyer that this was unfair to his client because the jury panel members all came from Romford in Essex. Underneath this article are featured numerous Essex Girl jokes adjacent to a Page 3 topless image of a woman from Essex.	05/11/1991	The Sun (p.3)	EG-007-1991
<b>We're all stars in Hollywood, Essex</b>	Jan Jacques ventures to a nightclub in Romford in Essex as it's apparently the hottest nightspot in South Essex and the place to find a man. Asking various young women about what the stereotype means, and to be an Essex Girl in 1990s on the night scene, Jacques declares that this nightclub is 'no bimbo zone' and are nothing like the Sharon and Tracy image.	05/11/1991	The Sun (p.9), Jan Jacques	EG-008-1991
<b>Kilroy: Essex Girl</b>	Amongst a live audience on <i>Kilroy</i> , a debate is held about the Essex Girl stereotype and Essex Jokes. Members of the audience discuss whether the jokes around sex is a 'substitute', or whether it 'goes too far', with women believing that it comes from misogyny in offices in the city whilst challenging others notion of what humour is.	06/11/1991	BBC, <i>Kilroy</i>	EG-009-1991
<b>WE ♥ BEING ESSEX GIRLS – Say Sharon and Tracy and friends</b>	Following a phone line call out for 'thousands' of Essex Girls to comment on why they love their homeland, Sharon and Tracy who are next door neighbours state their proudness of being from Essex, calling out stigma against the country and their respective names: 'We get it in the necks all the time over our names, We blame the TV comedy <i>Birds of a Feather</i> '. Under this quote features several subheadings titled 'Brains', 'Jealous' and 'Best' exploring other responses around the Essex Look, in defence as being 'hard working' instead of the promiscuous 'putting it about' and materialistic connotations.	08/11/1991	The Sun, Jan Jacques, Laurie Stone	EG-010-1991
<b>WHO'S THE ESSEX-IEST GIRL OF THEM ALL?</b>	This picture feature in The Sun collates the results of eight topless women from Essex after thousands who sent in their images following a call out by the newspaper for 'Britain's top glamour showcase' with the paper awarding 'The Sun's Essex Girl of the Year'. Each feature follows a topless portrait and biography of the woman.	08/11/1991	The Sun (p.24, 25), Antonella Lazzeri	EG-011-1991
<b>People's observations on Essex Man and Woman: Essex Girl Shopping Trolley Joke</b>	A collection of jokes and puns of the theme of Essex and Essex Girls such as 'What's the difference between an Essex Girl and a shopping trolley?'... 'A: a supermarket trolley has a mind of its own'. This article features an image of Essex Girl in a shopping trolley in Basildon.	00/11/1992	<i>Essex Man and Woman: A Search For Reality</i> (p.4, 5), Professor David Crouch	EG-012-1992
<b>THERE ARE NO VIRGINS IN ESSEX (AND THAT'S OFFICIAL)</b>	The Sun features an inside story about how – following a call out by the paper asking if there were any virgins in Essex, and receiving no response – the paper declared 'There are no Virgins in Essex'. The paper stated that this occurred in defence of being labelled as perpetuating stigma and Essex readers feeling unfairly represented.	01/01/1992	The Sun (Front page), Jan Jacques	EG-013-1992
<b>YES, THERE ARE SOME VIRGINS IN ESSEX (and they're proud of it!)</b>	Following a Sun poll suggesting that 'There are no virgins in Essex' many women from Essex called in to decry the statement. As a result this page features numerous interviews and stories by Essex Girls who describe that their virginity is something worth keeping.	02/01/1992	The Sun (p.3), Jan Jacques	EG-014-1992

<b>Q. What do Essex girls say when fellas get fruity? A. No sex please we're all virgins</b>	Following a Sun poll suggesting that 'There are no virgins in Essex', many women from Essex called in to decry the statements. As a result Jan Jacques goes around Essex interviewing women including two students and a nursery teacher, who describe that their virginity is something worth keeping.	03/01/1992	The Sun (p.21), Jan Jacques	EG-015-1992
<b>Essex Girls aren't lusting at the hustings – Sharon and Tracey's big decision</b>	Reporting on the elections Lisa Swards reports that 'Essex Girls will have the last laugh come polling day', explaining that election analysts state floating voters include young women in their 'twenties in a social group C2 none other than Essex Girl'. Having reflected on this, young women are interviewed such as in Romford nightclubs about their electoral responsibilities, with assumptions that Essex Girls without knowledge will just ask their colleagues and friends of how to vote.	26/03/1992	Daily Express (p.25), Lisa Swards	EG-016-1992
<b>An Essex Girl she's not</b>	The Daily Express article reports on a Tatler magazine article suggesting that Princess Diana – in her fashion choice and appearance – is looking like an Essex Girl. Jane Warren comments that the magazine implies that 'Princess Diana far from being the fashion icon that everybody accepts she is, resembles nothing more or less than a tacky Essex Girl'. Warren believes this is ridiculous for she was born at 'Sandringham not Southend', and that these fashion choices merely reflect the change in the princess's lifestyle having left from under the royal lens.	17/03/1994	Daily Express (p.32, 33), Jane Warren	EG-017-1994
<b>Heard the one about Essex Girl and God?</b>	Kim Tame, a Methodist preacher in training, writes in the comments section for The Guardian about the supposed personality types of Essex Girls, in contrast to stories and evidence of historical violence against women such as in Yorkshire – saying that Essex Girls can only relate to Christ if he is seen to be depicted on mutual life circumstances. She says that 'she needs to be able to walk into Church with her white stilettos, lottery ticket in handbag, a cup of Nescafé still warming in her sides'. Despite this, Tame believes that Essex Girls now accept the traumas of their past and is 'no longer bound by them'.	11/02/1995	The Guardian (p.30), Kim Tame	EG-018-1995
<b>Sexy Saxons, the Essex girls of old England</b>	Jaspar Gerard explores in this Daily Express article about how there are similarities between the appearance and social relations of 'Essex Maidens' during Saxon era and with 'Essex Girls' today. He cites proof through Dr Jennifer Ward who has unearthed historical references that support Essex Jokes, in relation to 'husband swapping', 'to gossip and make money' and heading to 'garish towns on the lookout for male company'.	16/11/1996	The Express (p.3), Jaspar Gerard	EG-019-1996
<b>Definition: Essex Girl</b>	British derogatory, a contemptuous term applied (usually jocular) to a type of young woman, supposedly to be found in and around Essex, and variously characterised as unintelligent, promiscuous, and materialistic.	1997	Oxford English Dictionary (online)	EG-020-1997
<b>Don pays for Essex insults</b>	This article follows the story of Tracy Payle, a student who was interviewed at Trinity College who was ridiculed by the interviewer because she was from Harlow in Essex, and due to her accent. Subsequently Dr Eric Griffiths resigned from the responsibilities of interviewing prospective students.	05/11/1998	The Express (p.21), Bob McGowan	EG-021-1998
<b>Essex girls have the last laughs</b>	Barbara Ellen discusses the context of the Essex Girl in present society, and how it doesn't really align with the statistics of the social and health of the county. Noting how teenage pregnancies are the lowest in the UK in Essex, and are more 'traditional' when it comes to sexual relationships. However Ellen believes that essentially anyone can be labelled as 'Essex Girl' 'so long they are female... rendering the woman ugly and stupid and, in the case of the Essex Girl, sad and slutty'.	19/09/1999	The Observer (p.29), Barbara Ellen	EG-022-1999
<b>Basildon: Lap dancer's TV boob job</b>	Gazette reports on how a lap dancer from Basildon, Vicky Black, who appeared on the Channel 5 television show <i>Family Confidential Special: Basildon Boobs</i> documenting her boob job in order 'to boost her profile' as a model.	15/11/1999	Gazette (online)	EG-023-1999
<b>BMJ: [Essex Girls] Are there excess Sharons in genitourinary clinics?</b>	British Medical Journal short report, exploring whether there is a trend between patient name and their class and medical care access. This specifically examines whether 'Essex girls' Tracey, Sandra, and Sharon are really women of easy virtue? With this question in mind authors set out to establish 'whether these names are overrepresented among attenders in departments of genitourinary medicine'.	18/12/1999	British Medical Journal (V319 p.1615), Elizabeth Foley, Fred Willmott, David Rowen, Raj Patel, J L Low	EG-024-1999

<b>JESSIE WALLACE: ESSEX GALS TAUGHT ME HOW TO BE A SLAPPER</b>	This Daily Star article reports on how young <i>Eastenders</i> television actress Jessie Wallace could be in trouble after calling Essex Girls a bunch of 'lazy tarts and bitches'. The newspaper notes that Wallace based her character on girls from her hometown in Loughton, as a real-life barmaid, where she has since researched her 'slut role'; Kat is a 'bit of a tart – and where I live in Loughton a lot of girls are like her'. This comment sparks outrage in Essex with various statements from other Essex Girls defending themselves printed in the article alongside the feature on the actress.	21/09/2000	Daily Star (p.4, 5), Peter Dyke	EG-025-2000
<b>ESSEX GIRLS ARE SO EASY TO PIC UP</b>	In the Daily Star appears a collection of images made by a group of twelve Essex women for a charity calendar, making a tongue in cheek response to the stereotype of 'Essex Girls' with side captions including 'Vroom with a phew', 'Hod job' and 'Bag Ladies'.	02/11/2000	Daily Star (p.21)	EG-026-2000
<b>Long live the Essex girl</b>	Writer Germaine Greer writes for The Guardian that the image of the Essex Girl that is known publicly is becoming more and more rare. She claims that an Essex Girl is unashamedly 'tough loud and vulgar' – their well crafted appearance is like 'anarchy on stilts'. Though Greer points out these typings she goes on to explore how the response and nature of an Essex Girl now is rooted and can be traced through the heritage and history of women, from Essex back to the figures of 'Mad Madge' the Duchess of Newcastle from Chelmsford. The determination and image of an Essex Girl then and now could be to face and confront the barriers and mistreatment around misogyny.	05/03/2001	The Guardian (p.8, 9), Germaine Greer	EG-027-2001
<b>Essex girl, first class</b>	Higher Education feature written by Tracy Playle who comments on the stigma of being an Essex Girl in university education, from being ridiculed in an interview for entry for Trinity College Cambridge, where the interviewer questioned her intelligence regarding knowledge of well known historical figures such as Hitler. She contrasts this experience with a more supportive one at Warwick University, and having graduated with a First Class in English and American Literature. Playle says that now 'I would walk out mid interview from Cambridge now. I might even wear white stilettos'.	10/07/2001	The Guardian (Education Supplement) (p.B14)	EG-028-2001
<b>Woman's Hour: Essex Girl</b>	In this episode of <i>Woman's Hour</i> the panel discuss 'whatever happened to the Essex Girl?'. As Essex County Council attempts to sell the county as a unique mix of culture, education and business opportunities, in direct contrast to the vulgar and brutish Essex Man and Girl. They follow Local MP Andrew Rosindell who shows Jo Morris around the town of Romford and describes his Essex. Jenni is joined by Dr Pamela Cox, Social Historian from Essex University and Essex local Dee Ivens.	16/10/2001	BBC Radio 4	EG-029-2001
<b>Essex Wives: Episode 1</b>	<i>Essex Wives</i> was an ITV television documentary series about married women socialising together in Essex. The first episode of the programme featured and introduced stereotypical activities of women from Essex, with large groups of women being featured getting pampered, jacuzzis, nail bars, tanning, shopping at Prada or performing yoga. This show led to the term and use of the phrase 'golden triangle' in reference to the area of Chigwell famed for footballers houses and beauty parlours.	2002	ITV	EG-030-2002
<b>Essex Wives: Episode 2</b>	<i>Essex Wives</i> was an ITV television documentary series about married women socialising together in Essex. The first episode of the programme featured and introduced stereotypical activities of women from Essex, with large groups of women being featured getting pampered, jacuzzis, nail bars, tanning, shopping at Prada or performing yoga. This show led to the term and use of the phrase 'golden triangle' in reference to the area of Chigwell famed for footballers houses and beauty parlours.	2002	ITV	EG-031-2002
<b>Essex Wives: Episode 3</b>	<i>Essex Wives</i> was an ITV television documentary series about married women socialising together in Essex. It ran for a single series in 2002 and launched the career of Jodie Marsh. The programme featured stereotypical activities of these women, such as visiting Jacuzzis, nail bars, tanning, shopping at Prada or performing yoga. It was criticised for giving an inaccurate portrayal of Essex life; largely exhibiting the behaviour and appearances related to solely 'white stilettos, shiny leatherette handbags or ankle chains'.	2002	ITV	EG-032-2002

<b>Essex Girls</b>	Adult film directed by 'Ben Dover' on Essex Girls listed as 'top class totty in spiky white stilettos'.	22/04/2002	IMDB	EG-033-2002
<b>Essex fights back: We're not all sex-crazed blonde bimbos, county's finest insult</b>	Jane Young writes how the local authority in Essex is the only council to have written into its Public Service Committee a dedicated approach to confront negative public images relating to the Essex stereotype around Essex Girls. She notes how this has come about since research claims that the jokes around Essex Girls being promiscuous and materialistic have hit the business and tourism industry. The article features an image of Denise van Outen in the backdrop of Queen Boadicea.	30/08/2002	Daily Express (p.37), Jane Young	EG-034-2002
<b>Essex Girl Goes For Phd</b>	Following Essex Girl Tracy Payle going for an interview at Trinity College Cambridge, she is mocked by the interviewer for having been from Harlow, Essex and having an Essex accent.	30/08/2002	The Times (Times Education Supplement)	EG-035-2002
<b>Celebrity Wifeswap, Series 2, Episode 7</b>	<p>In this episode of <i>Celebrity Wife Swap</i> Charles Ingram is swapped with Jade Goody who before entering <i>Big Brother</i>, lived and worked as a dental nurse in Upshire, Essex. Charles Ingram, an army major who was taken to court for cheating on the programme <i>Who Wants to Be a Millionaire</i> is married to Diana and has three daughters. They live in a small village in Wiltshire and met twenty years ago when they were teenagers. They maintain their innocence over the trial and say that it has brought them closer together. Charles and Diana have a traditional view on life with Diana doing all the housework and child rearing.</p> <p>Jade Goody who walked out of the <i>Big Brother</i> house to a new life as a celebrity and lives with her boyfriend Jeff who is a television presenter appears in <i>Celebrity Wife Swap</i>. They live in a rented flat in Essex and are awaiting the birth of their first child. The couple had only been together a few weeks when Jade fell pregnant but both insist they are very happy and in love. Although they are in love the couple admit to having lots of arguments and Jeff puts it down to Jade's hormones'.</p>	11/11/2003	Channel 4	EG-036-2003
<b>The mother of all Essex girls</b>	Sarah Ivens writes an opinion piece for The Guardian about an art exhibition titled <i>Iron Ladies</i> which has opened at The Women's Library, London, exploring former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. Reflecting upon the writers own experiences at university and college as an Essex Girl and the stereotype, she believes that despite Thatcher's controversial policies which divided opinion in a class society, the former Prime Minister should be given credit on the position of Essex people and women in society: 'she did help out the Essex crowd by allowing them to buy council houses, lowering taxes and rewarding business-minded competitors. Essex man – and woman – was no longer frightened of banging on the door of the boardroom or hammering at the glass ceiling. They wanted a piece of the action and lacked the manners to wait to be invited'.	03/10/2004	The Guardian (online), Sarah Ivens	EG-037-2004
<b>Stiletto through heart of Essex Girl jokes</b>	Tom Savage writes in this article about how Essex County Council has listed a dedicated job for a 'cultural director' in a £35,000 tax payer funded role, who will be tasked with changing the public image and 'transform the Essex cultural landscape' of both Basildon and Harlow.	25/01/2005	Daily Star (p.11), Tom Savage	EG-038-2005
<b>YOU CAN'T BE IN HARRY POTTER .. YOU'RE FROM ESSEX!</b>	Aidan McGurran writes a story on how a schoolgirl, April Waterman, auditioned for <i>Harry Potter – Order of the Phoenix</i> , only to be rejected by production crew because they said 'No Essex Girls'. A spokesperson for the production said however that this was not said from them.	19/01/2006	Daily Mirror (p.18), Aidan McGurran	EG-039-2006
<b>Essex girls? We're the best</b>	Germaine Greer for The Observer writes a social tribute to the 'Essex Girl' who have defined contemporary and current figures in the public eye and media, under the wider ignorance of others who disregard the rich and rural culture of Essex. She goes onto say that the supposed 'naivety' of Chantelle and Jodie Marsh who have shaped careers from winning <i>Big Brother</i> and reality programmes is in defiance of the stereotype, claiming that what the 'Upper class tarts spend hundreds for, the Essex Girls get for pennies from her high street shop'.	05/02/2006	The Observer (p.26), Germaine Greer	EG-040-2006

<b>Spendaholics: Essex Girl Shannon Chapman</b>	In this episode of <i>Spendaholics</i> opening with the 'Welcome To Essex' sign, 32 year old Shannon Chapman a single 'Essex Girl' is looking to confront her financial debt of over £26,000 because she is 'trying to live like a millionaire on a 22 grand receptionist salary'. The programme explores how Shannon spends her money on her appearance, white teeth, shoes, and various expensive outings.	15/08/2007	BBC Three	EG-041-2007
<b>Haf you heard ze one about ze Essex girl?</b>	A story appears in the Daily Mail reporting on how a German guidebook to the UK listed on Amazon (and rated 5 stars) has characterised Essex Women as 'dim blondes who drink too much Bacardi Breezers and are always up for casual sex', with Essex County Council saying this is a 'tired stereotype'.	13/07/2009	Daily Mail (p.19)	EG-042-2009
<b>Heard the one about the Essex girls who hate stereotyping?</b>	Chris Irvine reports in The Daily Telegraph about the response to the Essex Girl stereotype and how it has led to the formation of 'The Essex Women's Advisory Group', with a three year empowerment strategy in the county to support girls and broaden their vision and self-esteem. The text also references clips from <i>Weakest Link</i> in which Anne Robinson mocks contestants from Essex, or how <i>Birds of a Feather</i> and the characters in the television programme have contributed to the phrase of Essex Girl.	05/03/2010	The Daily Telegraph (p.3), Chris Irvine	EG-043-2010
<b>What is an Essex Girl?</b>	The Telegraph explores in this article the origins of the Essex Girl in the 1980s, and its wider association with contemporary satire across television and media, and how this informed and shaped the perception of women from Essex.	05/03/2010	The Telegraph (online), Chris Irvine	EG-044-2010
<b>£20 TO DATE AN ESSEX GIRL</b>	This article which appeared in the Daily Star claims that 'Essex girls are Britain's cheapest dates' stating that girls from the likes of Brentwood are '1 in 5 are happy if a bloke spends just £20 treating them on a night out'; 21% also admitted sleeping with a man on the first date.	16/07/2010	Daily Star (p.30), Victoria Richards	EG-045-2010
<b>Don't call me a bimbo!</b>	C. J. Gaydon from Colchester writes in a letter to the Daily Mail editor in response to the generalisation of Essex Girls. She does not recognise the 'brainless, stiletto-heeled, gutter-mouthed bimbos' from her youth and explains that they are in fact hard working and not at all flashy. Gaydon finishes with 'Please desist from this boring fallacy'.	05/11/2010	Daily Mail (p.78), C. J. Gaydon	EG-046-2010
<b>Weakest Link: Essex Girl</b>	An Essex Girl makes an appearance on the programme <i>Weakest Link</i> presented by Anne Robinson where the quote 'We Like Essex Men' is stated.	22/02/2011	BBC Programmes	EG-047-2011
<b>#IAmAnEssexGirl Twitter Hashtag</b>	The Twitter feed of the hashtag #IAmAnEssexGirl which dates back to 2011 by @NicoleCasey with various photos of newspaper clippings, selfies of Essex women, Status updates including the hashtag, and memes, that relate to women from Essex who are reclaiming back the term in an empowered act to challenge the stereotype.	01/09/2011	Twitter	EG-048-2011
<b>Woman's Hour: White Stiletto Dreams</b>	A feature on BBC Radio 4's <i>Woman's Hour</i> reflecting on Romford Market – a victim of supermarket chains and cut-price stores – now struggling to survive. Presenter Cathy FitzGerald bought her first – and last – pair of white stilettos in the market as a teenager. David Eldridge worked on the shoe stall. He's now one of Britain's leading playwrights, with credits that include <i>In Basildon</i> at the Royal Court and <i>Market Boy</i> , a play about Romford that premiered at the National Theatre.	18/07/2012	BBC Radio 4	EG-049-2012
<b>Woman's Hour: The Only Way Is Essex</b>	In this episode of <i>Woman's Hour</i> a teacher from Essex discusses her fight to confront the Essex Girl stereotype perpetuated by the reality television programme <i>TOWIE</i> .	21/07/2012	BBC Radio 4	EG-050-2012
<b>Boudicca was an Essex Girl like Helen Mirren. And the county inspired our greatest painters. Tonight a TV documentary insists... There's more to Essex than bling and bad jokes!</b>	Penny Chorlton writes a collection of insights and reflections on the rich cultural history of Essex, in contrast to the publicly known reputation of Essex stemming from <i>TOWIE</i> . This occurs in light of a TV documentary <i>Joy of Essex</i> being aired on BBC 4 – Featuring subtitles like 'Essex Girls', 'Essex Boys', 'The Only Way Is Essex', and 'Essex Style', these present various differences to stereotypes through culture, talent, and history alongside a dedicated newspaper quiz themed around the county.	29/01/2013	Daily Mail (p.15), Penny Chorlton	EG-051-2013

<b>ESSEX BABE HAS MORE BRAINS THAN EINSTEIN</b>	Marc Walker writes on a how a young Essex woman from Loughton, 16 year old Lauren Marbe, has a higher IQ score than Albert Einstein and Stephen Hawking, whilst also citing that she idolizes those on <i>The Only Way Is Essex</i> saying 'I love my fake tan and nails, so I guess I am a bit of an Essex Girl'.	13/02/2013	Daily Star (p.28), Marc Walker	EG-052-2013
<b>Barely Legal Drivers: Essex Girl Caroline</b>	A BBC Three series where young drivers take to the road in the family car, unaware that their parents are observing their driving due to surveillance cameras installed in the vehicle. On this episode of <i>Barely Legal Drivers</i> , 19 year old 'Essex Girl' Caroline has her skills watched by her mum.	28/04/2013	BBC Three	EG-053-2013
<b>Anita Biressi: Quote On Basildon's Mother &amp; Child Council Logo</b>	In Anita Biressi's chapter on Essex in her book <i>Class and Contemporary British Culture</i> , the author writes about the Maurice sculpture 'Mother and Child', 'which for a long while was converted into the council's logo. However the reduction in size had an unfortunate effect: the baby merely looked like an elaborate hairstyle, and the whole thing seemed like a cliché representation of an Essex Girl with her legs open'.	03/05/2013	<i>Class and Contemporary British Culture</i> (Chapter 2); Anita Biressi, Heather Nunn, Palgrave	EG-054-2013
<b>Basildon Upper Academy: Essexism Zine</b>	A zine created by a group at Basildon Upper Academy based in Essex, exploring the impact of the phrase Essex Girl being dumb and a bimbo, as means to dismantle and overcome the stereotype.	24/06/2013	Essexism Zine, Basildon Upper Academy	EG-055-2013
<b>Room 101: Rachel Riley</b>	Rachel Riley from Rochford in Essex appears on <i>Room 101</i> broadcast on BBC One, discussing things that annoy her and what she hates. One of these is the 'Essex Girl Stereotype' stating that people from other countries such as Cuba have heard of the phrase, explaining that growing up around Southend the stereotype had an impact on her life claiming that despite the decline of it, it emerged as a result of <i>TOWIE</i> .	18/02/2015	BBC One	EG-056-2015
<b>Matthew Engel: Quote On Basildon's Mother &amp; Child Council Crest</b>	In <i>Engel's England</i> regarding the chapter on the Essex county, the author writes about the Maurice sculpture 'Mother and Child' and its relationship to the image of Basildon; 'And, to push the analogy even further, there is something, just like America, about all the Ess-excess that makes more respectable counties nudge each other and roll their eyes. The centrepiece of Basildon's wind farm-cum-shopping centre is a fountain incorporating a bronze statue of a mother and child. The mother, arched beyond horizontal, is cradling her infant; both are naked. Close to, it is very beautiful. Basildon was so proud that it turned the statue into the town crest. Unfortunately, when reduced to a miniature, the image is less clear; it looks like the activity that produced the child. Poor old Essex: it just asks for trouble'.	04/06/2015	<i>Engel's England</i> (p.448), Matthew Engel, Profile Books	EG-057-2015
<b>BBC News: Basildon Market 'Essex Girls'</b>	'#Flashback: In 1991, the term 'Essex Girls' had become a popular stereotype. It was used to describe young women who were brash, materialistic, and stupid – characteristics attributed to women from Essex. Look East went to the county to find out if it was true. #Shellsuits #WhiteStiletos'	22/11/2015	Facebook, BBC News: East of England	EG-058-2015
<b>Campaign to remove Essex Girl from Dictionary</b>	A feature that appeared on ITV News reporting on the campaign by two women from Essex to remove the 'Essex Girl' definition from the Oxford English Dictionary.	2016	ITV News	EG-059-2016
<b>Essex Girl Lives Off Her Mum</b>	Judge Rinder listens to the absurd lifestyle of a 'ditzzy' Essex girl and how she leeches off her mum's purse.	07/03/2016	YouTube, Judge Rinder	EG-060-2016
<b>Spoiled Essex Girl Has An Appalling Attitude Towards Her Mum</b>	Appearing on the television programme <i>Judge Rinder</i> a spoiled young Essex clubber feels that she is entitled to not pay bills while living at her mother's house.	07/03/2016	YouTube, Judge Rinder	EG-061-2016
<b>Why everyone should date an Essex girl</b>	Eloise Bratt writes a list of reasons as to why you should date an Essex Girl such as 'We are all honest' and have 'the best accent'. This is in contrast to the widely perceived Essex Girl stereotype.	14/07/2016	Babe Net (online), Eloise Bratt	EG-062-2016
<b>Victoria Derbyshire Show: Should 'Essex girl' be in the dictionary?</b>	A group of women from Essex is campaigning to get the official dictionary definition of an 'Essex girl' removed. Essex-born Natalie Collins, Lyn Turner-Hedges, Helen Morgan and former cast member from <i>The Only Way is Essex</i> , Grace Andrews, discussed their views of the term 'Essex girl' with Victoria. Also featured on this Victoria Derbyshire programme is the foundation and work of the Essex Feminist Collective in relation to confronting the 'Essex Girl' stereotype.	25/10/2016	BBC Programmes, Victoria Derbyshire Show	EG-063-2016

<b>In Defence of Being an Essex Girl</b>	Writing on the weekly women's magazine online Grazia, Anna Clarke explores the Essex petition campaign led by Natasha Sawkins and Juliet Thomas to challenge the Essex Girl stereotype and term in the dictionary as 'Unintelligent, materialistic, devoid of taste, and sexually promiscuous'. Clarke tells the emergence and empowerment of the #IAmAnEssexGirl movement by both men and women alike, from Essex and beyond.	25/10/2016	Grazia, Anna Clarke	EG-064-2016
<b>Professor A.K.Gill CBE: 'Impressed by the 'Essex girl' campaigners. I was/am proud one of @Uni_of_Essex so support removing derogatory definition. #IamAnEssexGirl'</b>	Tweet by Professor AK Gill CBE containing a photo image of the Evening Standard, about a feature of the campaign to remove the 'Essex Girl' from the Oxford English Dictionary where Natasha Sawkins and Juliet Thomas win a meeting with the Dictionary bosses.	25/10/2016	Twitter, Professor A.K.Gill CBE	EG-065-2016
<b>A night at the sugar hut with the Towie cast: true Essex girls would rather be working on their next best seller</b>	The Telegraph online feature about the celebrity image of Essex Girls in relation to <i>TOWIE</i> the ITV2 reality TV programme, in contrast to the views and challenges of local Essex women.	25/10/2016	The Telegraph	EG-066-2016
<b>Essex girls rise to delete term from dictionary</b>	Online article on BBC News about the motivations behind two Essex women who have launched a campaign to remove the 'rude and stereotypical' term 'Essex girl' from the Oxford English Dictionary. This article also features a video clip from the <i>Victoria Derbyshire Show</i> in discussion with Essex-born Natalie Collins, Lyn Turner-Hedges, Helen Morgan and former cast member from <i>The Only Way is Essex</i> , Grace Andrews.	25/10/2016	BBC News	EG-067-2016
<b>Radical Essex Twitter: 'Great piece from @thetimes showing support for the @the_mother_hub #iamanessexgirl #changethestereotype'</b>	Tweet by Radical Essex twitter account celebrating the Times article in support of the @the_mother_hub campaign in challenging the Essex Girl stereotype and phrase.	25/10/2016	Twitter, Radical Essex	EG-068-2016
<b>Turn page on Essex Girl, say campaigners</b>	An article referencing the fact that over 3,000 people have signed a petition to remove the definition 'Essex Girl' from the dictionary, led by Natasha Sawkins and Juliet Thomas.	25/10/2016	The Daily Telegraph (p.3)	EG-069-2016
<b>ERE! DO NOT CALL WOMEN ESSEX GIRLS</b>	The Daily Star reports on how two mums from Essex, Natasha Sawkins and Juliet Thomas, are on a mission to remove the definition 'Essex Girl' from the dictionary, following a 3,000 signed petition and starting the hashtag #IAmAnEssexGirl.	25/10/2016	Daily Star (p.17), Jack Bellamy	EG-070-2016
<b>Mums' battle on Essex girls</b>	The Daily Mirror reports on how two 'Essex Mums' have launched a campaign to remove the definition of 'Essex Girl' from the dictionary, with a trending hashtag and 3,000 signed petition. Writing on their mother hub blog Natasha Sawkins and Juliet Thomas say 'It should simply mean, a Girl from Essex'.	25/10/2016	Daily Mirror (p.19)	EG-071-2016
<b>The Kaye Adams Programme: Essex Girl</b>	Appearing on <i>The Kaye Adams Programme</i> for BBC Radio Scotland, they discuss the meaning and stigma around stereotypes in Scotland whilst contrasting them to the typing of the Essex Girl term. The programme goes into exploring the local petition to remove the definition from the Oxford English Dictionary, and the association with the wider history of Essex whilst expressing the concerns on the impact on the local economy.	26/10/2016	BBC Radio Scotland	EG-072-2016
<b>Emily McMullin: 'Really @Guardian thanks for validating the stereotype. And Colchester is my hometown. @EverdaySexism @EssexFemCollect'</b>	Tweet by Emily McMullin, featuring a photographic image of a crossword puzzle appearing in The Guardian with the Essex Girl stereotype term being used as one of the questions and answers.	05/01/2017	Twitter, Emily McMullin	EG-073-2017
<b>What is the true meaning of 'Essex girl'?</b>	BBC News article about the origins of the 'Essex Girl' term with reference to Simon Heffer's coinage, its listing in the English Dictionary.	09/03/2017	BBC News	EG-074-2017
<b>This Morning: Should The Term 'Essex Girl' Be Changed?</b>	Appearing on <i>This Morning</i> , Juliet Thomas and Natasha Sawkins have started a campaign to get the term removed from the Dictionary, but Dani Levy believes the definition is not that far from the truth.	07/04/2017	YouTube, <i>This Morning</i>	EG-075-2017

<b>R1 DJ's Essex girl jokes OK</b>	The Mirror reports on how BBC Radio 1 DJ Scott Mills has been given the clear following public complaints about his Essex Girl jokes during the Comic Relief special including 'Why do Essex Girls wear knickers? To keep their ankles warm'.	06/06/2017	Daily Mirror (p.29)	EG-076-2017
<b>Gemma Collins being stupid</b>	A video clip featuring Gemma Collins' appearance on Sky News reflecting on the 'Essex Girl' being removed from the Oxford English Dictionary, saying that the Dictionary 'should be paying us compensation'.	27/08/2017	YouTube, YouTube Blog	EG-077-2017
<b>Things not to say to Essex Girls (and boys)</b>	'In this video for BBC Three, eight people who are proud of their Essex roots talk about the most common statements they're on the receiving end of. "Why are you so orange?!" If you're from Essex you'll have encountered all sorts of assumptions and jokes simply based on the county you're from.'	13/02/2018	YouTube, BBC Three	EG-078-2018
<b>Angie A: '50 Years since Dagenham Girls fought for equal pay at the Ford Factory! #oxforddictionary #jumpjive #iamanessexgirl #womensvote'</b>	Tweet by singer Angie A including a newspaper cutting image of the headline 'Song Fights Essex Girl Stereotype', after she released a song called 'Professional Girl' on SoundCloud in response to challenging the Essex Girl stereotype.	01/03/2018	Twitter, Angie A	EG-079-2018
<b>Megan challenges Essex girl stereotypes</b>	Megan, a woman from Essex appears on <i>Good Morning Britain</i> to challenge the stereotype of the Essex Girl, and says we are more than the white stiletto image.	01/5/2018	Facebook, ITV	EG-080-2018
<b>The Essex Girl Documentary</b>	A student documentary film produced by Amie Beth released on YouTube, in which she interviews the public about what the term 'Essex Girl' means in relation to stereotyping.	03/05/2018	YouTube, Amie Beth	EG-081-2018
<b>Helen Mirren shoes in Snapping the Stiletto 'Essex girl' display</b>	BBC News online article about Dame Helen Mirren who has donated a pair of stilettos to an exhibition to dispel the negative stereotype of 'Essex girls' and their white stilettos. A pair of her high-heeled teal blue shoes will be included as part of a display showcasing female social reformers, suffragettes and law enforcers from Essex in Epping Forest District Museum.	12/01/2019	BBC News (online)	EG-082-2019
<b>Why I've joined the Essex Girls Liberation Front: It's no joke anymore, says JULIA LAWRENCE, we're victims of real discrimination. Now the fightback's gathering force – with not a white stiletto in sight</b>	Article written for the Daily Mail online by Julia Lawrence about why she has joined the Essex Girls Liberation Front movement, motivated by social prejudice and stigma attached to the negative 'Essex Girls' term, told by her own personal accounts and experience within the wider history of Essex.	22/03/2019	Daily Mail (p.24, 25), Julia Lawrence	EG-083-2019
<b>The black artist taking on the 'Essex Girl' stereotype</b>	Dawn Gerber's BBC News article explores Southend based artist Elsa James who through her residency at Firstsite in Colchester will take on the 'Essex girl' stereotype by exploring what it is like to be a woman of colour in the county.	22/07/2019	BBC News (online), Dawn Gerber	EG-084-2019
<b>Elsa James – Breaking down the 'Essex girl' stereotype</b>	BBC News London feature of artist Elsa James interviewed by Alison Earle. The former fashion model from Southend is challenging the 'Essex girl' stereotype, exploring what it's like to be a woman of colour in Essex county using art through her Firstsite gallery residency to help change perceptions and for the term to become more diverse.	25/07/2019	YouTube, BBC News	EG-085-2019
<b>Maria Ferguson: 'Essex Girl' Official Trailer</b>	'The official trailer for Maria Ferguson's award-winning one-woman show 'Essex Girl', which tours theatres around the UK in autumn 2019. Trailer shot by Matthew Thomas'.	21/09/2019	YouTube, Maria Ferguson	EG-086-2019
<b>Love Island</b>	Actress and writer Phoebe Waller Bridge appeared on American television show <i>Saturday Night Live</i> doing a sketch about <i>Love Island</i> , playing a character who is an Essex Girl.	06/10/2019	YouTube, <i>Saturday Night Live</i>	EG-087-2019



<b>Phoebe Waller-Bridge sports a VERY plump pout and does her best Essex accent as she transforms into a Love Island hopeful in hilarious SNL spoof</b>	The Daily Mail reports on the Emmy Award winning actress and writer of <i>Killing Eve</i> , Phoebe Waller Bridge, who appeared on American television show <i>Saturday Night Live</i> doing a sketch about <i>Love Island</i> , playing a character who is an Essex Girl.	06/10/2019	Daily Mail, Ryan Smith	EG-088-2019
<b>Shut Up, Gemma... I'm a real Essex girl</b>	Alexa Whittingham writes about how the crime novelist Martina Cole speaks up about the harmful Essex Girl term and that 'The Essex stereotype is an untrue, outdated myth and needs to be banned'. This follows the fact that the writer will feature in a 'This is Essex' calendar to confront this stigma exploring the achievements of women from Essex, whilst 'snubbing the likes of Joey Essex and The GC'.	07/10/2019	Daily Star (p.3), Alexa Whittingham	EG-089-2019
<b>Phoebe Waller-Bridge's Essex sketch on Friday Night Lights</b>	The local newspaper Echo Southend report on actress and writer Phoebe Waller Bridge who appeared on American television show <i>Saturday Night Live</i> doing a sketch about <i>Love Island</i> , playing a character who is an Essex Girl.	07/10/2019	Echo Southend (online)	EG-090-2019
<b>Southend exhibition aims to eradicate 'Essex girl' stereotype</b>	Feature in the local newspaper Yellow Advertiser on the exhibition <i>This Is What An Essex Girl Looks Like</i> at Beecroft Art Gallery in Southend, which aims to challenge the stereotype of the Essex Girl.	12/11/2019	Yellow Advertiser (online), Charles Thomson	EG-091-2019
<b>Southend photographer hopes Essex Girls project will 'challenge stereotype'</b>	A BBC News feature on the Southend based photographer Mark Massey whose series of photographs is purposed to capture 'Essex Girls' in which he hopes to challenge the stereotype and show the diversity of women in the county.	08/12/2019	BBC News	EG-092-2019
<b>Beth Rigby: 'I'm going to have to get off telly soon, because I'll be too old'</b>	The Guardian article by Rachel Cooke interviewing the political journalist Beth Rigby, about growing up Essex, and the perception by her peers and colleagues in journalism field with regards to her diction.	31/05/2020	The Guardian, Rachel Cooke	EG-093-2020
<b>Essex Girls by Sarah Perry</b>	In this book Sarah Perry re-examines her home county of Essex and her relationship with it. Under unbeknown stories she re-emerges symbols of Essex Women such as the Protestant martyr Rose Allin to Abolitionist Anne Knight, positioning these people alongside modern day public idols like Kim Kardashian, proving that the 'Essex girl' is not bound by geography. She argues that Essex girl is a form of type, a specific female agency, that they are in fact a multitude of women for which they should be celebrated.	01/10/2020	<i>Essex Girls</i> , Sarah Perry, Serpent's Tail	EG-094-2020
<b>Black Girl Essex: Southend-based British African-Caribbean artist and activist Elsa James on what it means to be black in Essex</b>	Magazine article by Nicky Adams on Southend-based British African-Caribbean artist and activist Elsa James. Exploring the experience of being a black woman in Essex, told through her work exploring ideas around notions of a perceived homogeneously white county.	02/10/2020	Essex Life (p.77, 78, 79), Nicky Adams	EG-095-2020
<b>Scarlet lipstick and theology</b>	Following the publication of Sarah Perry's book <i>Essex Girls</i> , in The Guardian she writes and explores the scapegoating of the Essex Girl term under the historical evolution of women's stories and oppression. She discovers the unknown yet defiant accounts of Barking Abbey nuns, the abolitionist Anne Knight from Chelmsford, and the collective group of Essex Girls Liberation Front across the county. Through these narratives and histories she argues and dismantles the wider stereotype of the Essex Girl, whilst making reference to contemporary figures and activists such as the artist Elsa James who is reassessing the identity and belonging for <i>Black Girl Essex</i> .	03/10/2020	The Guardian Review (p.20, 21, 22, 23), Sarah Perry	EG-096-2020
<b>THE MODERN RULES OF BEING AN ESSEX GIRL</b>	In this article in Stella Magazine found in The Sunday Telegraph, fashion editor Caroline Leaper discusses the aesthetics of an Essex Girl, the celebrity trends and looks associated with this.	04/10/2020	Stella Magazine (p.28, 29, 31), The Sunday Telegraph, Caroline Leaper	EG-097-2020
<b>Woman's Hour: Essex Girls</b>	In this episode of <i>Woman's Hour</i> they explore the portrayal of Essex Girls joined by writer Sarah Perry and Jack Monroe. The butt of countless jokes and preconceptions with Oxford English Dictionary referring to them as 'unintelligent, promiscuous, and materialistic' these writers together praise the Essex Girl with Perry discussing her book aimed at celebrating 'profane and opinionated women everywhere'.	07/10/2020	BBC Radio 4	EG-098-2020

<b>Essex stars help tourist board challenge stereotype</b>	A online article from The Guardian commenting on the public release of a new promotional 'This is Essex' film produced by Visit Essex, which aims to recast the narrative spawned in popular culture through the reality show <i>The Only Way is Essex (TOWIE)</i> . It notes how presenting contemporary stories by Essex residents is a means to tackle caricatures through commentary featuring the lines delivered by Essex celebrities, including the British rally driver Nabila Tejpar, comedian Ellie Taylor, Paralympics wheelchair racer Anne Wafula Strike, scientist Dr Miles Adcock.	14/10/2020	The Guardian (online), Caroline Davies	EG-099-2020
<b>Essex girls clean up their reputation</b>	Jack Malvern reports on the news that Oxford Press have removed the definition of 'Essex Girls' from the dictionary following a petition by Essex women, and the campaigning of the Essex Girls Liberation Front. Their campaigning has come at a time of receiving a £200,000 lottery grant for the arts project 'Snapping the Stiletto' to confront the stereotype, with support from famous people such as Helen Mirren. It notes how previously terms were not and have never been removed as 'it's a historical document'.	05/12/2020	The Times (p.3), Jack Malvern	EG-100-2020
<b>Farewell to the 'Essex girl': Phrase will be REMOVED from the dictionary after campaigners said definition invokes 'offensive' stereotype about women who are 'very willing to have sex'</b>	The Daily Mail reports on how the Essex Girl Liberation Front has successfully removed the 'Essex Girl' definition from the Oxford Dictionary following campaigning, with reference to public cultural outcomes such as 'Snapping the Stiletto'.	05/12/2020	Daily Mail (online), Helena Kelly	EG-101-2020
<b>Finally, a hugely offensive description for "Essex girl" has been removed from the dictionary – but the campaign isn't over yet</b>	Anna Brech reports on how following the campaign by the Essex Girls Liberation Front, the definition of the 'Essex Girl' is removed from the Oxford English Dictionary. Reflecting on the works of Syd Moore and Sarah Perry's latest novel on Essex Girls, explorations are made into how sexist language is being challenged in the county.	00/01/2021	Stylist (online), Anna Brech	EG-102-2021
<b>Essex Girls Sketch, RuPaul's Drag Race UK, Series 2: Episode 4</b>	As part of the 'Morning Glory' breakfast show challenge on <i>RuPaul's Drag Race UK</i> , drag queens Tia Kofi and A'Whora perform a sketch as two 'Essex Girls' dressed in white suits, wearing enlarged breasts, whilst presenting a 'vajazzle' beauty treatment to an audience.	04/02/2021	BBC, RuPaul's Drag Race UK	EG-103-2021

## Essex Home

<b>Abigail's Party</b>	<i>Abigail's Party</i> is a play for stage and television, devised and directed by Mike Leigh in 1977 and later televised in 1979. It is a suburban situation comedy of manners, and a satire on the aspirations and tastes of the new middle class that emerged in Britain in the 1970s. The play developed in lengthy improvisations during which Mike Leigh explored the characters with the actors, but did not always reveal the incidents that would occur during the play. With its references to mini-skirts, lips, silver, and white stilettos it exemplified the domesticity, materialism, and typing of the 'Essex Girl'.	01/12/1979	BBC Television	EH-001-1979
<b>Right to Buy Scheme – Thatcher</b>	This BBC News video explores the Conservative Party policy of the 'Right To Buy' scheme which was launched in Harold Hill, Essex by Margaret Thatcher attending the area amongst the backdrop of protestors. The policy allowed council house residents to buy their properties.	11/08/1980	BBC News	EH-002-1980
<b>South Woodham Ferrers Advert</b>	This is a promotional film made in 1981 by the Essex Educational Video Unit which was used to promote the benefits of living and working in the new development of South Woodham Ferrers. The footage includes a visit by Queen Elizabeth II and the Duke of Edinburgh to South Woodham Ferrers on the official opening of the town square in May 1981. The film features a song about South Woodham Ferrers performed by Right Hand Man.	1981	Essex Records Office	EH-003-1981
<b>Meantime Clip of 'Take Your Hats Off'</b>	<i>Meantime</i> is a 1983 British comedy-drama television film directed by Mike Leigh of East London council estates on the fringe of Essex border. Produced by Central Television for Channel 4, it was shown in 1983 at the London Film Festival and on Channel 4 and at the 1984 Berlin International Film Festival.	01/01/1983	Channel 4	EH-004-1983

<b>Birds of a Feather, Episode 1: Nicked</b>	Comedy series following the lives of sisters Tracey and Sharon from Essex who are left to fend for themselves after their husbands are arrested for armed robbery. Mostly set in their Essex homes this informed the typing of 'Essex Girls' as it became solidified in the late 1980s and 90s.	16/10/1989	BBC Programmes	EH-005-1983
<b>Essex innit?</b>	In Arena Magazine, the writer Mick Bunnage goes on a tour de force of the Essex suburbs and landscape describing the aesthetics and styles of the houses of Chigwell, Billericay, and Brentwood, relating these to Essex celebrities and football stars that inhabit them, who ultimately contribute to the Essex image and the wider perception of materialism.	1990	Arena Magazine (p.102), Mick Bunnage	EH-006-1990
<b>You are what you own</b>	Simon Fanshawe reflects on the return of the showing of <i>Abigail's Party</i> a televised play of the domesticity of the Essex Home. Prior to writer speaking to the cast and the labelling of the 'tack' and 'naffness' of the show in its celebration of materialism and ownership, Fanshawe believes it was a 'prescient dramatic warning of the Thatcherism to come, of the greed that would be good for two decades, of the elevation of objects and ownership beyond the value of community'.	19/06/2002	The Guardian (online), Simon Fanshawe	EH-007-2002
<b>Dinner Party Inspectors</b>	'This week's singles-only dinner party in Essex has the inspectors captivated as, along with the inevitable flirting and sexual tensions, jibes and insults fly around the table and one poor guest ends up red-faced on the floor'.	01/07/2003	Channel 4	EH-008-2003
<b>Dinner Party Inspectors</b>	'The Inspectors are back in Essex with hostess Paris, a dinner party virgin. Culinary disaster is followed by tensions between old and new friends over an imminent move; with a budding romance thrown in to spice up the evening'.	15/07/2003	Channel 4	EH-009-2003
<b>Gavin &amp; Stacey, Episode 1</b>	' <i>Gavin &amp; Stacey</i> is a British romantic situation comedy that follows the long-distance relationship of Gavin (Mathew Horne) from Billericay in Essex, England, and Stacey (Joanna Page) from Barry in the Vale of Glamorgan, Wales. In Series 1: Episode 1, Gavin Shipman (Mathew Horne) and Stacey West (Joanna Page) decide to meet for the first time in London after talking on the phone for some time, bringing along their best friends, Neil "Smithy" Smith (James Corden) and Nessa Jenkins (Ruth Jones) for support, and the two pairs end up in a hotel together for the night. Afterwards Gavin drives to Stacey's home in Barry Island and confesses his love to Stacey.'	13/05/2007	<i>Gavin &amp; Stacey</i>	EH-010-2007
<b>Gavin &amp; Stacey, Episode 2</b>	' <i>Gavin &amp; Stacey</i> is a British romantic situation comedy that follows the long-distance relationship of Gavin (Mathew Horne) from Billericay in Essex, England, and Stacey (Joanna Page) from Barry in the Vale of Glamorgan, Wales. In Series 1: Episode 2, Gavin and Stacey are happy and in love, until a misunderstanding phone call turns their lives upside down. Gavin decides there is only one thing to do, drive to Barry Island for a 2nd time and explain to her about the misunderstanding phone call. However, when he arrives, Stacey's uncle Bryn West (Rob Brydon) is convinced he is a Jehovah's Witness. Stacey goes to stay at Gavin's for a couple of nights and he proposes to her at London Paddington station just as she's about to head back home.'	13/05/2007	<i>Gavin &amp; Stacey</i>	EH-011-2007
<b>Fish Tank</b>	' <i>Fish Tank</i> is the story of 15-year old Mia (Katie Jarvis), whose life is turned on its head when her mother (Kierston Wareing) brings home a new boyfriend (Michael Fassbender). Set in the decaying landscape and council estates of Essex, director Andrea Arnold reinforces her reputation as a British auteur and casts the same unflinching, unprejudiced gaze and touches on the themes of her Oscar-winning short <i>WASP</i> to create an original and unsettling tale for our age.'	11/09/2009	<i>Fish Tank</i> , Andrea Arnold	EH-012-2009

<b>The worst address in England?</b>	William Langley writes a feature in The Sunday Telegraph reflecting on the 'Essex Man' term coined by Simon Heffer and his 'brutish' and 'suited' appearance which no longer relates to the contemporary images. This is evidenced in the recent broadcasting on a new reality television programme on ITV2, <i>The Only Way Is Essex (TOWIE)</i> , and how it has been described by the broadcaster as 'The glamorous world of Essex'. This follows the greater public knowledge of stars that have rose from Brentwood such as footballers and media public figures, however with the Essex Girl being portrayed as 'materialistic' in the show, women from Essex are featured in the article to dismantle and criticise this representation.	17/10/2010	The Sunday Telegraph (p.24), William Langley	EH-013-2010
<b>Come Dine with Me</b>	'Following the dinner party series <i>Come Dine With Me</i> , in Colchester a prude, a flirt, and two testosterone-fuelled males do battle in a week of dirty talk, walk-outs, tantrums, outrageous accusations and, of course, some food'.	15/10/2012	Channel 4	EH-014-2012
<b>Benefits Britain By The Sea – Jaywick</b>	'A Channel 5 documentary series lifts the lid on the reality of life on benefits in Britain: More Brits are living off benefits today than at any other time since the establishment of the welfare state. Many claimants have spent longer on benefits than in work. Some have never known what it is to have a job and others have found that work simply does not pay. In this episode feature we explore the lives of those who live in Jaywick in Essex'.	07/07/2015	Channel 5	EH-015-2015
<b>What it's like to live in Essex – the golden turd of England</b>	The student online news channel The Tab reflects on the stigma around being from Essex for students from the County, referring to those from the area as having 'too much money and too little class, Essex is the golden turd of England, radiating its smelly reputation from the South East to the world'.	2017	The Tab (online), Amy Hegedus	EH-016-2017
<b>20 Signs You've Lived In Essex</b>	Georgia Porter writes about the stigma of being from Essex within university education whilst following this on with a list of characteristics such as 'Bas Vegas' and 'Going Out Out' levels, which she believes defines the tones and misunderstandings around the county.	10/07/2017	Society 19 (online), Georgia Porter	EH-017-2017
<b>The 15 reasons why Basildon is just the 'worst' place to live in Essex</b>	Featured in Essex Live in a series of local facts and opinions on a list of why Basildon is the worst place to live in Essex; referring to local crime, the signs, and the wider image of Basildon.	03/09/2019	Essex Live, Brad Gray	EH-018-2019
<b>Can the Happy Club help save Jaywick Sands?</b>	BBC News article online about the social history of Jaywick and the work of the Father-of-two Danny Sloggett who set up the Jaywick Sands Happy Club as a 'youth club for adults' which has also played an important part in community collaboration in liaising with local politicians of local concerns. Jaywick Sands is one of England's most deprived areas, often referred to in negative political and social dialogues, with its picture featured in a US elections advert in 2018, communicating to voters about the threat of urban decay. In this article Danny hopes that the seaside village in East Essex can be turned around from it's perceived image of isolated and decayed image.	22/09/2019	BBC News, Laurence Cawley	EH-019-2019

## Essex Land

<b>The Heart of Darkness by Joseph Conrad</b>	<i>The Heart of Darkness</i> is a novella by Polish-English novelist Joseph Conrad who lived in Stanford Le Hope from 1896 and spent his youth sailing in the Essex waters. The novel is about a narrated voyage up the Congo River into the Congo Free State in the Heart of Africa and the diabolical circumstances around this. Starting from the River Thames, Charles Marlow, the narrator, tells his story about an anchored boat in the Thames Estuary where the river meets the shores and seas around Canvey Island onlooking the grim sights of London; 'The sun set; the dusk fell on the stream, and lights began to appear along the shore. The Chapman lighthouse, a three-legged thing erect on a mud-flat, shone strongly. Lights of ships moved in the fairway -- a great stir of lights going up and going down. And farther west on the upper reaches the place of the monstrous town was still marked ominously on the sky, a brooding gloom in sunshine, a lurid glare under the stars'.	1899	Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine, <i>The Heart of Darkness</i> (p.3), Joseph Conrad	EL-001-1899
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<b>Essex: The Buildings of England</b>	In this architectural guide of Essex, one the largest counties of England building's are explored from the stretches of suburban fringes of East London to the famous seaside resorts of Clacton, Frinton, and Southend. This is contrasted with the rich Roman survivals, Norman architecture, and the remains of major Tudor and Jacobean country houses. Later periods have also made their contribution, from Georgian town houses to Victorian and Edwardian industrial and civic buildings, and from important exemplars of early Modern Movement architecture.	01/01/1954	<i>Essex: The Buildings of England</i> , Nikolaus Pevsner, Penguin	EL-002-1954
<b>Arcadia for All</b>	In this historical survey by Dennis Hardy and Colin Ward they investigate the rich 40 year beginning of 20th century in which saw thousands of people from likes of East London settle in Canvey Island, Pitsea, and Jaywick Sands without local authority support. The authors explore the foundation of the 'Plotlanders' in Essex as examples of self-built communities. In Chapter 4 'Arcadia on the East Coast', the relationship between the River Thames waterways and Estuary and the extension of the railway to South Essex areas like Southend and around region of what is Basildon coincided with the agricultural crisis of wheat which together facilitated the movement and growth of the 'Plotlanders' in the East Coast.	19/09/1984	<i>Arcadia for All</i> (Chapter 3, p.55; Chapter 4, p.115), Dennis Hardy, Colin Ward, Continuum International	EL-003-1984
<b>Plotlanders – Arcadia</b>	Programme exploring the 'Plotlanders' that settled in Laindon in South Essex which gave rise to the landscape and development of New Town builds in Basildon. Beginning life in the early 1900s, cheap cost of imported American wheat meant value of farm land fell sharply, resulting in farm land being sold off to individuals and developers at a time when railway lines were extended including Laindon, allowing people to seek refuge in the Essex landscape.	00/01/1985	BBC London Plus	EL-004-1985
<b>Secret of Es-Sex appeal</b>	Reporter Jane Warren writes for the Daily Express in the 'Expressions' sections about the Essex Man glamour contestants featuring a group photograph of the finalists with bare-chested men, oiled skin, and wearing thongs, in reference to the Chippendales. Adjacent is an image of a glamour model with two Page 3 girls. Warren refers to them as 'a subculture of pelvic thrusting, muscle rippling Essex Men lurk[ing] behind the suburban doorways of Romford, Epping and Basildon'. The article explores how some train relentlessly in gyms in the build up to the contest, with the reporter reducing them to 'Game and vain, they are just like footballers'. Under the subheading of 'Beauty and Brawn of the Basildon Beefcake', speaking to Errol the key to the look is 'body language' with ones hair and pecs looking good and toned.	31/08/1992	Daily Express (p.17), Jane Warren	EL-005-1992
<b>Essex 0 out of 10 for landscape quality</b>	Appearing in Country Life Magazine, the public has voted on the qualities and counties of the English landscape with Essex coming out poor in the rankings.	2003	Country Life Magazine	EL-006-2003
<b>Essex Holidays – Get Essex-ed up – it's the only way</b>	In this Guardian online feature, ahead of the third series of ITV2's reality TV programme <i>The Only Way Is Essex</i> , the author ventures around the show's main sites, assessing how its public image has now created a tourism boost to the local area, in an often considered much-maligned county.	16/09/2011	The Guardian, Joanne O'Connor	EL-007-2011
<b>Firstsite Gallery Golden Banana or White Elephant</b>	Article online about the local and wider perceptions of the newly opened public contemporary art gallery and cultural centre, Firstsite in Colchester in 2011, with references to its structural image appearance as the 'Golden Banana' as a negative phrase in relation to it's costly budget which had created differing opinions socially in the region.	03/10/2011	The Telegraph (online), Rupert Christiansen	EL-008-2011
<b>The Joy of Essex</b>	Pete May's book about Essex, ventures in between the history and landscapes amongst the types and tundra of Essex; through tales of celebrities that have emerged under the celebrity of 'Essex', grown from a three decade trajectory, this is contrasted with the rural settings that are often widely ignored and the rich cultural past overlooked.	30/10/2012	<i>The Joy of Essex</i> , Pete May, The Robson Press	EL-009-2012

<b>Jonathan Meades: Joy of Essex</b>	In this BBC Four programme, Jonathan Meades ventures around the county of Essex, including Basildon and Colchester. Contrary to its caricature as a bling-filled land of breast-enhanced footballer's wives and self-made millionaires, Meades argues that this is a county that defies definition – at once the home of picturesque villages, pre-war modernism and 19th-century social experiments. Informed by its close relation and distance to London, Meades argues that this was the region where outcasts of the city were reformed, with manual labour to wellbeing movements. Christian socialist programmes run by Salvation Army founder William Booth.	29/01/2013	BBC Four	EL-010-2013
<b>Engel's England: Thirty-nine counties, one capital and one man</b>	Matthew Engel travels through each of the historic English counties. In Chapter 35 of 'Essex', he explores the phenomenon of Essex Man and Essex Girl which was widely identified in the 1990s, who were attacked for their supposed sense of 'immorality' and sexuality, whilst putting this into context with the wider hedonistic landscape of Essex.	04/06/2015	<i>Engel's England</i> (Chapter 35), Matthew Engel, Profile Books	EL-011-2015
<b>Why Essex is England's most misunderstood county</b>	Jason Cowley reflects on the recent book <i>Excellent Essex</i> by Gillian Darley which challenges the outside perception that Essex is a homogenous county.	19/02/2020	New Statesman (online), Jason Cowley	EL-012-2020

## Essex Look

<b>Es(sex) Appeal</b>	In this satirical article by Pete May, he goes on a whimsical journey around the A13 of Essex with the figures within and the songwriters that have responded to it, questioning what the appeal is with the Essex county. Summing up the culture of the county, May says 'Darrens, Sharons, and the enduring charms of the A13... Essex is to culture what Bob Monkhouse is to sincerity'.	00/01/1989	Midweek, Pete May	ELO-001-1989
<b>Spitting Image 'Essex is Crap' Song, Series 11, Episode 2</b>	In this comedy short by <i>Spitting Image</i> , the 'Essex is Crap' song and video parodies Essex people, through endless rhymes under the saturation of mobile phones, white trainers and heels, drunken socialising, amongst rural settings.	17/11/1991	ITV, <i>Spitting Image</i>	ELO-002-1991
<b>The Sharonisation of Princess Diana: Once the epitome of the Sloane Ranger, has she evolved into Essex Girl?</b>	In this Daily Mail article Ann Courcy reports on how Tatler magazine describes Princess Diana's fashion style as becoming more 'Chigwellian' in reference to an Essex Girl who is materialistic with bad taste from Chigwell in Essex. Courcy somewhat agree with this commenting on the fact that Princess' blonder hair and less designer clothing, all together is 'less classy' and something that a 'Sharon' would wear, presumably in relation to stereotyped Essex names. Point is also made to her liberation from Royal constraints ceasing to only dress in British designer clothing, seeing this as a cause for her slide in look to the 'Essex Look'. The double page spread features numerous details of her clothing choices, with each caption a criticism of her appearance and supposedly poor judgements.	17/03/1994	Daily Mail (p.22, 23), Ann Courcy	ELO-003-1994
<b>Essex Appeal</b>	In the Daily Express appears a collection of images made by a group of twelve Essex women from various walks of life from housewives to physiotherapists for a calendar to raise £10,000 for a charity, making a tongue in cheek response to the stereotype of 'Essex Girls' with the reporter referring to them as 'Real Essex Girl'.	02/11/2000	Daily Express (p.46), Sally Eydon	ELO-004-2000
<b>Where's Essex? asked TV 'yob'</b>	A newspaper storyline explores how a fight erupted with an <i>Emmerdale</i> actress and a boyfriend referred to as a 'yob', supposedly because 'he didn't know where Essex was'.	22/11/2000	Daily Star (p.6), Jerry Lawton	ELO-005-2000
<b>It's hardly Hollywood! Basildon gets its own sign to welcome drivers to the wonders of... er... Essex</b>	Coverage in Daily Mail of the recently installed Basildon sign in reference to the aesthetics of the Hollywood sign, which was motivated by the desire to put the town on the map. Costing Basildon Council £90,000 this caused dismay to council residents and mockery in the national news.	30/03/2010	Daily Mail (online), Andrew Levy	ELO-006-2010
<b>The sign that says Hooray for, er, Essex</b>	Andrew Levy refers to Basildon Council erected a £90,000 sign in homage to Hollywood as 'in it's small way, living the Hollywood dream' alongside local comments that describe the intentions of the council as misguided as will make Basildon seem 'more kitch than it already is'. It features two images one of the Basildon and one of the Hollywood sign.	30/03/2010	Daily Mail (p.33), Andrew Levy	ELO-007-2010

<b>IT'S HOLLYWOOD... NEAR BRENTWOOD</b>	This feature follows the story that Basildon Council has installed a £400,000 sign that directly homages the Hollywood sign. It is believed to put Basildon on the map so that it will 'put an end to motorists passing straight through the town without noticing it is there', alongside an array of local facts in relation to Basildon's history despite referencing that this act from the Council is widely being perceived as a joke.	30/03/2010	The Sun (p.31), Alex Peake	ELO-008-2010
<b>Paul Merton: 'They've realised Hollywood isn't actually in America at all, it's in Essex'</b>	On <i>Have I Got New For You</i> , the News satire comedy show, following the news that Basildon Council has commissioned and installed a £400,000 'Basildon Sign' like Hollywood, Paul Merton one of the Captains, remarks 'They've realised Hollywood isn't actually in America at all, it's in Essex'.	01/04/2010	BBC Programmes, <i>Have I Got News For You</i> (Series 39, Episode 1)	ELO-009-2010
<b>TV Designer Praises Sexy Basildon Sign</b>	TV designer Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen features in Basildon Borough Diary after filming <i>House Gift</i> in Basildon, in which looking for inspiration he comments on the Basildon sign, 'I love the sign, it's very shiny, very sexy, very elegant, and very discreet. It's tailored, just like Basildon itself'.	00/10/2010	Basildon Borough Diary	ELO-010-2010
<b>Is this really what Essex is about?</b>	Denise Winterman who is herself from born and raised in Essex, writes about the stereotypes of Essex Man and Essex Girl, and how the looks associated with <i>TOWIE</i> have influenced people's perceptions. This is emphasised further by a collection of comments that have been published on this mobile magazine article which expose the ridiculing of those from the county including the writer's name Denise as an Essex Girl.	12/10/2010	BBC News Mobile Magazine (online), Denise Winterman	ELO-011-2010
<b>Maria Fowler: My Essex Way day</b>	For the Daily Star Maria Fowler, a star from the television reality programme <i>TOWIE</i> , talks readers through a day in Essex, from makeovers, visiting the hairdressers, pedicure, dog grooming, and shopping, topped off at the end with Champagne at 8pm. She states that 'it's not easy being an Essex Girl'.	05/04/2011	Daily Star (p.28, 29), Maria Fowler	ELO-012-2011
<b>Educating Essex, Episode 1</b>	Channel 4 documentary series which follows a group of GCSE students at a school in Essex, and the staff who teach them, as they face the most important year in their education.	22/09/2011	Channel 4	ELO-013-2011
<b>Look beyond Essex caricatures and you will be</b>	Inside the Essex Chronicle features a story reflecting on the caricatures and typing of the Essex Girl look associated with the county.	22/11/2012	Essex Chronicle Series (p.18)	ELO-014-2012
<b>OMG! THE ESSEX LOOK'S TAKEN OVER</b>	For the Daily Mail Sarah Vine writes and comments that celebrities are adapting their appearances to closely align with that of Amy Childs, from the ITV reality TV programme <i>The Only Way Is Essex (TOWIE)</i> . It features a strip of images at the top with portraits of public figures such as Duchess of Cambridge next to Nigella Lawson, and Childs herself. This article claims the white teeth, bronze tans, long locks of hair, and eyebrow sizes, are in reference to the influence and trends of those seen of 'Essex Girls' in <i>TOWIE</i> , through the typing of looks such as 'Big Hair', 'Orange Tan', 'French Nails', 'Bags of Cleavage', 'Stripper Shoes', 'Botox Forehead', 'Nude Lips', 'Heavy Eyeliner' and 'White Teeth'.	18/10/2013	Daily Mail (p.22, 23), Sarah Vine	ELO-015-2013
<b>The invention of Essex</b>	Tim Burrows writes for The Guardian on the history of Essex, exploring how the characterisation of the 'Basildon Man' evolved into public image under conservatism, whilst assessing how the 'celebrity cult' of the 'Essex Girl' typing seen in reality programmes such as <i>The Only Way Is Essex (TOWIE)</i> have defined the outside perspective of Essex county through various caricatures. Reflecting on this, Burrows investigates further how under this there is a movement of rich cultural history going beyond superficial glare, fame, and spotlight, regarding the historical foundation of plotlands that led to the New Town developments, and unbeknowningly to a present generation, a story long before the supposed East Enders displacement following the war years.	27/06/2019	The Guardian (p.9, 10, 11), Tim Burrows	ELO-016-2019
<b>It's true, Essex girls DO love leopard print: Analysis of shopping trends reveals regional bias of people's fashion choices</b>	This article which appears in the Daily Mail online reveals an analysis of the shopping trends in relation to fashion within regions across the UK, with a particular emphasis on the Essex Girl preference for leopard print.	26/07/2020	Daily Mail (online), Stian Alexander	ELO-017-2020

<b>Visit Essex challenges tracksuit and white stilettos stereotype</b>	Caroline Davies writes in The Guardian about the recent Visit Essex promotional video 'This is Essex' which features numerous public figures from Essex. With dialogues such as 'We're all boy racers... we are all a bunch of gold diggers. We all live in a concrete jungle. We all wear tracksuits. We're not that intelligent'. These lines are delivered by stars including Rally driver Nabila Tejpar featuring in the video alongside their career highlights and occupation images, as means to take on the stereotypes and caricatures of Essex Girls by those outside of the county. With input by Visit Essex chair Mark Durham, and ambassadors for the campaign such as crime writer Martina Cole she states 'I am proud to be #IAmAnEssexGirl'.	15/10/2020	The Guardian (p.17), Caroline Davies	ELO-018-2020
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## Essex Man

<b>Mrs Thatcher's bruiser (PROFILE): ESSEX MAN</b>	'Mrs Thatcher's Bruiser' by Simon Heffer in The Sunday Telegraph is where the phrase 'Essex Man' is first used. In the subtitled 'Profile of Essex Man', the writer describes how the Conservative Party conference in Bournemouth, referring to them as a tribe, sees that the 'bedrock of support, is Essex Man'. They believe the party's 'surviving toffs' are dwindling in their defence and are being replaced by the new Thatcherite everyday supporter where 'mutual back scratching is the economic trigger', of whom align with the Tory 'working class' work ethic mentality as demonstrated by the strength now in South Essex constituencies. This article describes the new wave of conservatism support through the typing now of 'Essex Man', who is 'rewarded with a cheap council house, underpriced shares... and chance of a white collar job in the service industries'. The article focuses thereon of the materialism of the Essex figure, their XR2 Ford Escort car, defence of their property, and describes him as 'to be found all over the newly affluent parts of the outer London suburbs. But he is discovered in his aboriginal state and in the greatest abundance in the triangle between Brentwood, Southend and Dagenham Marshes. He is young, industrious, mildly brutish and culturally barren, and most familiarly seen behind his copy of The Sun or the Daily Express on his dawn train to Liverpool Street or Fenchurch Street stations'. Essex Man does not 'exclusively live in Essex...[it is] for spiritual purposes'.	07/10/1990	The Sunday Telegraph (Comments page), Simon Heffer	EM-001-1990
<b>Essex Man Cartoons Series: Alarm Call</b>	During the 1990s the Today Newspaper ran a series of cartoon stories in the 'TELEVISION Today' section based upon the 'Essex Man' stereotype and look. In this story Essex Man is seen discussing 'alarm calls' with his girlfriend in relation to England playing cricket in Australia.	23/11/1990	Today Newspaper (p.38), Steve Way	EM-002-1990
<b>Essex Man Cartoons Series: Battery Shares</b>	In this story Essex Man is seen hesitating over buying electricity shares and instead questions whether to buy 'battery shares'.	29/11/1990	Today Newspaper (p.36), Steve Way	EM-003-1990
<b>A Year In The Life of Essex Man</b>	Following a year after coining the term 'Essex Man' in his article 'Mrs Thatcher's Brusier: Profile of Essex Man' for The Sunday Telegraph in 1990, first revealing 'the existence of Essex Man to an unexpected world', Heffer reflects on the effect of the term in relation to politics and social perception, and how the media has fixated on it. In this article he examines the aspirations of the working class man in South Essex, and locates how this may still be a stronghold for the Tory party.	00/11/1991	Sunday Telegraph Review (Front page), Simon Heffer	EM-004-1991
<b>Ford Launches the 'Essex man' Fiesta</b>	The Guardian reports on the announcement by Ford UK that they will produce and release an 'Essex Man' version of the best selling British car, despite recent collapse in car market. Ford announces this amongst predictions that the UK will leave a recession soon after a decade.	12/02/1992	The Guardian (p.11), Patrick Donovan, Simon Beavis	EM-005-1992
<b>Essex man who is never lost for the right word</b>	Andrew Rawnsley writes in The Guardian that following the 1992 election, Basildon was greatly refounded as Conservative, noting that David Amess is locally revered overnight and will be metaphorically speaking granted an 'Essex Shrine' for this feat. The word Basildon became synonymous in the area as a patriotic symbol of British defiance and will, founding a sense of political mythology, as governed by the migration of East Enders into Essex.	24/06/1992	The Guardian (p.A7), Andrew Rawnsley	EM-006-1992
<b>The Real Holiday Show, Series 3</b>	A group of Essex lads led by Lee Wood are heading to Magaluf for a week of partying in the sun. After apologising to their girlfriends in advance for erecting a 'men at work' sign outside their apartment, the lads spend their time soaking up the atmosphere and chatting up 'anything with a pulse'.	1996	Channel 4	EM-007-1996



<b>Essex Man (Definition)</b>	British derogatory, a term used to denote a supposed new type of Conservative voter, to be found esp. in London and the south-east of England in the late 1980s, typically (esp. contemptuously) characterised as a brash, self-made young businessman who benefited from the entrepreneurial wealth created by Thatcherite policies.	1997	Oxford English Dictionary (online)	EM-008-1997
<b>Professor proves it: Essex girls love a boy racer in an Escort XR3</b>	After research by a Professor at Leeds University studying car geography claiming that Essex Girls like a man who drives a Ford Escort XR2 and the XR3 is popular among boy racers who are associated with South Essex such as in Southend and Basildon.	19/04/1997	The Independent, Mark Rowe	EM-009-1997
<b>A tale of two counties</b>	This article in The Guardian comments on how the 'Essex Man folklore' image is having a negative impact on the local area. It believes that there is a clear distinction between a North and South divide in the county separated by the A11, whilst also arguing that it can't be seen as one politically sided given the rich history of historic Essex towns with their provincial universities which have had socialist undercurrents and activities. With contrast between cultural icons and with the Basildon and Ford typing, ultimately the conflated image from outsiders and within means it runs the risk of the county being split into two.	13/08/1997	The Guardian (p.16), David Mckie	EM-010-1997
<b>Was William Shakespeare the original Essex Man?</b>	This Daily Express article by Mark Blacklock explores how following archive research by historian Charles Bird William Shakespeare was in fact Edward de Vere 'Earl of Oxford'. His ancestral home is Hedingham Castle in Colchester, and therefore Bird claims Shakespeare was an 'Essex Boy'.	11/08/1999	Daily Express (p.20), Mark Blacklock	EM-011-1999
<b>Essex Man: Then and now – the comparison</b>	Simon Heffer writes a list of attributes that he describes about Essex Man such as 'Drives', 'Fancies', and 'Drinks', contrasting a ten year change since his initial Sunday Telegraph article where he coined the 'Essex Man' phrase and stereotype in 1990 to 2000.	04/10/2000	Evening Standard (online), Simon Heffer	EM-012-2000
<b>Essex man causes a flurry</b>	From New York Jane Martinson reports on how biotech plant Embrex based in Braintree wiped over a \$1.2 million from its earnings, blaming this on an employee at the office who may of inflated the accounts and fraudulent expenses. The resulting announcement led to a 14% dip in the shares.	28/03/2001	The Guardian (p.22), Jane Martinson	EM-013-2001
<b>Basildon Man: beyond the shell-suits</b>	Short article by the authors of a major new survey, Basildon: The Mood of the Nation by Dennis Hayes and Alan Hudson, who challenge the old and new stereotypes of the Essex Man, describing the celebrity rise and status of the Basildon Man, both optimistic and the ridiculed.	05/04/2001	Spiked (online)	EM-014-2001
<b>Teenage Kicks: Young and Loaded</b>	'Clueless comes to Chigwell. Nouveau teenagers who have more disposable income than most working adults. This documentary will see the effect of excessive cash on a group of 16 year-olds in Essex, designer clothes, mobiles, et al.'	13/06/2001	Channel 4	EM-015-2001
<b>Essex boy, everyman</b>	In this article Libby Brooks explores the rise of the author Tony Parsons who is regarded as a 'Working Class Hero' who made millions from his bestseller 'Man and Boy' about a 29 year-old TV producer. Since, Parsons has gone onto sign various multi-million rights with film production companies. Describing his career as being of wider public suspicion of authenticity from being a chronicler for NME, to being framed as a 'barrow bow boffin' by the <i>Late Review</i> on BBC Two.	21/06/2001	The Guardian (p.6, 7), Libby Brooks	EM-016-2001
<b>The Essex Clearance</b>	In this short opinion article for Prospect magazine online, Derek Beaven explores the rise of the Basildon Man under Thatcherite Conservative policies and politics, whilst reflecting on the image and social history that led to the development of Essex.	20/11/2001	Prospect, Derek Beaven	EM-017-2001
<b>Lock Up Your Sons</b>	This documentary examines a little-known subculture of British teenagers who gather in 'Federations' to fight and hurt each other known as Backyard Wrestling (BYW). This 'sport' contains all the ritual and commentary of a WWF bout, but the fighters use an array of weapons including light tubes, planks wrapped in barbed wire and boards covered in thumbtacks. The carnage is filmed, and highlights posted on the net for a growing army of fans. Using the boys' own words and experiences the film explores the complex psychological and sociological issues surrounding the fighting.	23/10/2003	Channel 4	EM-018-2003

<b>Essex man's home truths put on show</b>	Article by Nigel Reynolds covering the Essex born artist Michael Landy, who is known for his 2001 work <i>Breakdown</i> where he destroyed all his possessions, who now has recreated his parent's house in Ilford, Essex which was installed in Tate Britain Duveen Gallery.	18/05/2004	The Daily Telegraph, Nigel Reynolds	EM-019-2004
<b>Essex, home of Britain's first boy racers</b>	David Sapsted reports on how archeologists and historians in Colchester believe that they have uncovered a chariot circuit track on a 2,500 home development land, which could be seen as an early form of giving rise to the 'boy racer' culture.	05/01/2005	The Daily Telegraph (p.11), David Sapsted	EM-020-2005
<b>essexboys (Definition)</b>	The definition of 'Essex Boys' which appears on the colloquial Urban Dictionary website.	25/02/2005	Urban Dictionary (online)	EM-021-2005
<b>Teenage Revolution: The Rebel from Suburbia</b>	Alan Davies looks back at the British social history of the 1980s using his own experiences growing up as a teenager in the decade. In this specific episode he looks into teenage life in suburban areas. In one clip he meets the Debden Skins in Loughton.	09/09/2010	Channel 4	EM-022-2010
<b>Three sneers for Essex? I'm proud to be its son – When people sneer at Essex what they are really sneering at is the working class</b>	The author Tony Parsons reflects on his working class youth and how that the <i>TOWIE</i> image does not match the wider experiences of those he knew. He questions whether when people mock Essex what they are really doing is denigrating working class people.	23/10/2010	Mirror (online), Tony Parsons	EM-023-2010
<b>The Simon Heffer Interview</b>	Full length interview between Iain Dale and Simon Heffer, which appeared in Total Politics, with an entry on discussing the possible regrets of coining of the term 'Essex Man', and the immediate and wider impact it had culturally and in the representation of Essex in international media thereon.	10/12/2010	Blogspot (online), Iain Dale	EM-024-2010
<b>He's an accident waiting to happen</b>	Online blog by political correspondent Nick Robinson on BBC about the Billericay, Essex born boy Andy Coulson who went from council estate to political aid of David Cameron, and who later resigned due to his partaking in the tabloid phone hacking scandal.	21/01/2011	Nick Robinson's Newslog, Nick Robinson	EM-025-2011
<b>Weakest Link: Essex Vicar</b>	In this episode of <i>Weakest Link</i> , Stan a 63 year old Vicar who lives in Billericay in Essex appears on the programme to compete for money. When asked by Anne Robinson where he is from he refers to himself as 'Yorkshire man in disguise'.	22/02/2011	BBC Programmes	EM-026-2011
<b>ESSEX MAN: THE BONDS OF BASILDON</b>	Pete May writes in The Independent on the evolution of the 'Essex Man' in 1980s politics in the South East whilst reflecting on what the Essex Man is today in contemporary culture and celebrity.	22/10/2011	The Independent, Pete May	EM-027-2011
<b>Tony Parsons: 'DON'T MOCK ESSEX... WE'RE GREAT, MATE' – The British love the working class, but only when they can patronise them, feel sorry for them and stick them in a Hovis commercial</b>	The author Tony Parsons writes for the Mirror commenting on the perception of the Essex county, and how so often the people, specifically the aspirational working class are mocked by those outside. He notes how even the county are taking steps to improve the image of the area, whilst reflecting on the history of the area amongst the memories of his youth.	03/02/2012	Mirror, Tony Parsons	EM-028-2012
<b>Margaret Thatcher and rise of 'Basildon man'</b>	Excerpt from BBC Radio 4's <i>Today Programme</i> found on the BBC News website. In the clip Tom Fieldon reports from Basildon, Essex and describes how the phrase the 'Basildon Man' was coined during Margaret Thatcher's time as Britain's prime minister.	09/04/2013	BBC News (online)	EM-029-2013
<b>Margaret Thatcher funeral attended by 'Essex Man'</b>	Appearing in BBC News reporting on how a self-confessed 'Essex Man' from Hadleigh near Southend, who attended the funeral of the former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, has a bedroom with various Thatcher iconography, with various documentation of the funeral in the article. Mr Sharp explains the emotion behind this and the impact of the death in relation to his working class roots.	17/04/2013	BBC News (online), Laurence Cawley	EM-030-2013

<b>What Next for Essex? From Essex Man to TOWIE – and Beyond</b>	As part of Essex Book Festival 2014 five key speakers debate the opinion of Essex – how much is myth or fact and where is Essex heading in the 21st Century? Daily Mail's Simon Heffer, head teacher Vic Goddard from the Channel 4 show <i>Educating Essex</i> , Brentwood Gazette editor Neville Wilson and University of Essex researcher on place and social class James Scott.	18/04/2013	YouTube, University of Essex	EM-031-2013
<b>Class and Contemporary British Culture</b>	Anita Biressi's assessment of class explores how 'culture articulates, frame, organise and produce stories about social class and class difference'. How in a sense has class labels been recycled and revived or provided categorisation systems in social landscapes. She draws on examples from the 1980s to contemporary dialogues investigating and revealing how it has become dominated by classed figures with emphasis on 'Essex Man' and 'Essex Girl', specifically in Chapter 2 on Essex. This book argues that social classes remains a valid and measurable platform to understand how contemporary British culture articulates social distinction and social difference and how those involved in this process are affected by this.	03/05/2013	<i>Class and Contemporary British Culture</i> (Chapter 2: Essex: class, aspiration and social mobility, p.23), Anita Biressi, Heather Nunn, Palgrave	EM-032-2013
<b>Bouncers: Colchester</b>	This television series follows the work of nightclub bouncers across Essex on the 'Front Line of Booze Britain'. Beginning at Colchester's Queen Street – Doormen Curtis and Jamie use their know-how but get their hands dirty if they have to, while Alex is keen to prove doormen are diplomats. In one episode door staff in Colchester and Clacton on Sea attempt to maintain control of a generation of hard-partying clubbers, including Allen and James, who dream of working on the door themselves.	07/11/2013	ITV	EM-033-2013
<b>Pete May: Why do politicians care so much about Essex?</b>	Pete May, author of <i>Joy of Essex</i> writes for New Statesman reflecting on the legacy of 'Essex Man' which he believes 'was part of the reason why Thatcherism was successful' and linking this to Simon Heffer's Telegraph article. He notes how compared to other recent by-elections which do not attract as much attention, those in areas of Essex or even coastal parts of the county such as Clacton attract huge media coverage. As the writer notes 'the emotional appeal of Essex to politicians should not be underestimated. Pundits and MPs are human and just as susceptible as everyone else to the county's branding of Essex Man and Towie, or Mark Wright and Pixie Lott on Strictly Come Dancing'. The contemporary media appeal around Essex Men is not legacy but rather still alive.	14/10/2014	New Statesman (online), Pete May	EM-034-2014
<b>'Essex Man' 2015: Does the Thatcher-era stereotype still pack a political punch?</b>	Jodie Smith explores whether Margaret Thatcher's 'Essex Man' city broker and Ford Escort owner still holds true in the county... has the stereotype moved on but more importantly is it still relevant to the politics of today. From tracing the origins to journalist Simon Heffer who wrote an article about Essex Man in 1990, the stereotype he described was 'young, industrious, mildly brutish and culturally barren', this is contrasted to contemporary presences regarding media obsessions of the county, with interviews with local residents talking about their political stances.	30/03/2015	BBC News (online), Jodie Smith	EM-035-2015
<b>Writing the good write</b>	Appearing in the Essex Life Magazine, Julian Reed explores the author Tony Parsons who from Billericay in Essex has forged a forty year career in the media and publishing industry. Investigating his works the writer reflects on the authors upbringing and how growing up in working class Essex roots, and the wider perceptions of the county under <i>TOWIE</i> has influenced his works.	01/06/2015	Essex Life Magazine, Julian Reed	EM-036-2015
<b>Essex Boys: Ladventures With Thomas Gray</b>	'Prepare for epic banter, biceps and booze as hapless YouTuber Thomas Gray tries to bond with different groups of lads around the country in this new Comedy/Documentary series. Exploring what it means to be a man today, Thomas' first stop is Essex, specifically Basildon, Brentwood and Billericay where he meets local bodybuilders and barbers and discovers how the gym is the new epicentre for male bonding'.	19/02/2016	YouTube, BBC Three	EM-037-2016
<b>Will Quince MP: 'I hope @uni_of_Essex will be distancing itself from it's Chancellor Shami Chakrabarti and her remarks about 'Essex Man' @Forster_Anthony'</b>	Will Quince, MP for Colchester posts on Twitter in response to Shami Chakrabarti's remarks about 'Essex Man', who is also Chancellor for Essex University.	27/09/2016	Twitter, MP Will Quince	EM-038-2016

<b>Not everyone hates 'Essex Man' Shami</b>	In this commentary article about the Brexit motions, Camilla Tominey reflects on Shami Chakrabarti's comments that she didn't want Jewish people to leave the Labour Party and be left with 'Essex Men' saying that 'they lack the vision and views that you and I bring to this party'. Tominey then lists various famous people and talents that have come from Essex.	02/10/2016	Sunday Express (p.29), Camilla Tominey	EM-039-2016
<b>BUFFED: HOW THESE ESSEX LADS POLISH UP TO GET PRETTY</b>	Dazed Digital features a series of photographs which explore the performance, modifications, rituals, and motivations around crafting someones image as an Essex Boy, revealing the subtle vulnerabilities that may exist. As part of the 'Behind The Masc: Rethinking Masculinity' campaign the area of Essex associated with the <i>TOWIE</i> look is analysed in these delicate portraits, investigating the idea of the 'metrosexual' and the ornamental man.	19/08/2019	Dazed Digital (online), Angus Harrison	EM-040-2019
<b>Essex Man lives on, but he's in mortal danger</b>	In this short Simon Heffer reflects on his 1980s article 'Mrs Thatcher's Bruiser' which founded the Tory Basildon Man, coming from Essex himself, though distancing himself from the new economic heartland personified in <i>TOWIE</i> . His term derived from train station observations of Essex Men fitting the profile whilst explaining that this still somewhat exists given the Brexit turnout and result, with Conservatives dominating South Essex constituencies. Despite this though, Heffer believes in this article that the recent Covid policies may run the risk of turning the tables of loyalty and of the Essex Man image, as expensive housing and services lose out on the pandemic economic landscape.	11/10/2020	The Sunday Telegraph (p.19), Simon Heffer	EM-041-2020

## Essex Pound

<b>Harry Enfield: 'Loadsamoney in the Country'</b>	YouTube clip of Harry Enfield's exaggerated comedy character 'Loadsamoney' as he ventures round the Essex countryside, parodying the Essex Man image in sportswear and jeans, drinking beer and lager, throwing wads of cash, and driving around in a white Ford Fiesta XR3.	1988	BBC Programmes	EP-001-1988
<b>THE BLING KING</b>	This article that appeared in The Sun focuses on how a Anglo Saxon burial chamber, a 'treasure filled tomb', has been discovered in Prittlewell in Essex, near Southend. The article goes on to discuss the contents of the archeological finds.	06/02/2004	The Sun (p.23), John Troup	EP-002-2004
<b>Time Team, Episode 138: 'The King of Bling'</b>	In a <i>Time Team</i> special on Channel 4, a well furnished burial chamber is found at Prittlewell near Southend. A lyre is found, recreated and played. Gold crosses on the body suggest north Italian Christian. It is not until the end that the buried king is named.	13/06/2005	Channel 4	EP-003-2005
<b>Jessie J – Price Tag ft. B.o.B</b>	Song performed by Jessie J who was born in Redbridge. The song describes making music driven by personal motivations, rather than for music industry sales.	31/01/2011	Jessie J – Price Tag ft. B.o.B	EP-004-2011
<b>The pension pot map of the UK revealed: It looks like the only way is Essex when it comes to retirement saving</b>	According to a report by annuity provider Partnership, 'Essex may get typecast for fake tans and dodgy reality TV shows but it is also home to the largest average pension pots in the UK' as Essex retirees have the biggest pension savings in England of around £125,000.	24/11/2015	This Is Money (online), Mark Schoffman	EP-005-2015

## Essex Politics

<b>Mud-slinging and lager feed the progress of Essex Man</b>	In The Times, Bill Frost explores the politics of South Essex specifically within Billieracy, and how it is the bedrock and 'spiritual Barratt home of the Essex Man' and Essex Woman. The writer notes how the Thatcherite supporters from East London – turned city brokers – represents the heart of the Tory party, with staunch support of harsh foreign policies and border controls. This has been satirically immortalised in the sounds of Ian Dury in 'Billericay Dickie' and sensationalised by MP Teresa Gorman's speeches.	01/08/1991	The Times (p.2), Bill Frost	EPO-001-1991
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<b>Uppity mobile Essex men</b>	American commentator Michael Kinsley writes for The Guardian stating that he has never heard of the new social and political phenomenon of the 'Essex Man' sometimes referred to 'C2's' though he is aware of the working class typing of Thatcherite supporters and demographics. He goes on to relate these notions with American Republican presidential successes and campaigns, whilst visiting several constituencies such as Chingford. Discussions are made about what the concept of Essex Man means 'Someone who through his own endeavours seeks a higher standard of living'. Essex Man is distinguished as someone who is not from a privileged background though seeks to get social mobility to get there – as representatives of the Tory party campaign in these South Essex regions fit these images, the everyday person sees themselves in them.	08/04/1992	The Guardian (p.21), Michael Kinsley	EPO-002-1992
<b>Basildon Market Vox Pop</b>	Channel 4 News visits Basildon Market for 'vox pop' style interviews about market residents' political views following the landscape of the upcoming elections.	10/04/1992	Channel 4 News	EPO-003-1992
<b>How Essex Man showed Major the path back</b>	Peter Millar reports for The Sunday Times that Basildon re-elected David Amess after swinging to the right to support the Thatcher cause. From conversations with local salesmen he believes that this was because Labour 'tried hard to present a 'monopoly on caring'. Millar goes on to sum up that this is not surprising given that the local demographic in a New Town landscape is comprised largely of council housing estates owned by second generation East London movers.	12/04/1992	The Sunday Times (p.4), Pete Pillar	EPO-004-1992
<b>Essex Man has seen off socialism</b>	In this article for The Sunday Times comments, Norman Stone argues that it is over a hundred years since the liberalism of British politics, believing that Margaret Thatcher's policies of 1980s reaffirmed the middle classes. Through noting the conservative principle of sharing property, encouraging investments in shares, and giving ownership over to council house residents, privatisation ended up moreover redistributing poverty, handing over responsibilities beyond the state whilst appealing to the sensibilities of East Londoners that sought new paths in the South Essex New Towns. This as writer sees as 'Tory Marxism' as a result led to those 'people with a stake in the country would have more in common with the creators of well being than with proponents of public ownership'. Stone agrees this worked and 'Essex Man' saw no other alternatives on offer, and therefore prevented these areas from changing loyalties.	12/04/1992	The Sunday Times (p.5), Norman Stone	EPO-005-1992
<b>Tory party in exile looking in vain for sign of change (Points of Order): 'Essex Man is here to stay'</b>	Ian Aitken reflects on the Tory annual summer party commenting that some Conservative politicians and patrons feel that the former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher 'hijacked' the party. The author questions whether John Major will or has abandoned 'thatcherism', though indications suggest not – 'he shows no sign of reversing Thatcherite change in the character of the Conservative Party, Essex Man is here to stay'.	19/06/1992	The Guardian (p.9), Ian Aitken	EPO-006-1992
<b>The Bastards: Dirty Tricks and the Challenge to Europe</b>	Written by Eurosceptic and former Conservative MP for Billericay, Teresa Gorman, the author explores and challenges the policies and politics around a European market.	08/10/1993	The Bastards: Dirty Tricks and the Challenge to Europe, Teresa Gorman, Pan	EPO-007-1993
<b>Basildon bondage</b>	In this feature Matthew Engel reports on how politics has shaped South Essex in particular Basildon, where he sees as the defining place where the Thatcherite 'Essex Man' is enshrined through social landscape and public feeling. The writer notes that it was the 1979 election where Prime Minister Thatcher took office that saw South Essex towns like Basildon, Wickford, Billericay and Southend swing majorly towards the right. However in 1992 it was seen that in this election, political and public believed these areas would turn left hence lending to more media saturated on Basildon stories. Yet this was not the case resulting in David Amess being elected to office.	09/12/1996	The Guardian (p.2, 3), Matthew Engel	EPO-008-1996

<b>Essex man should be left to his own devices</b>	Simon Jenkins writes in the comments section for The Times claiming that Essex Lords are tired of the image of the county, and that Essex County Council are now accelerating this stance in wanting more tourists and investors to the region, as the conservative Essex Man that characterised the South East region has become tiresome. Jenkins believes that the region is 'ugly' due to its overtly overdeveloped landscape and housing as a result being unmanaged whilst criticising the government ministers who are wanting to implement strategies to overhaul the infrastructure, increasing business and travel. Despite this, though the writer claims the identity of the place and its residents 'underpins local democracy'.	30/08/2002	The Times (p.20), Simon Jenkins	EPO-009-2002
<b>MP urges boycott of The People over Essex girl jokes</b>	Bob Russell, the Liberal Democrat MP for Colchester has urged people to boycott The Sunday People paper, after they mocked Essex girls, after running a story on Prince William dating a woman from Essex.	25/03/2004	Press Gazette	EPO-010-2004
<b>Essex Man is alive and well and voting Tory</b>	Kelvin Mackenzie writes about how the 'Essex Man' love affair with the Thatcherite policies of the South East, and populous on the Tory majority is now changing, specifically the case in Braintree in Essex the second marginal majority in England. The writer going around canvassing with a Labour MP observing the concerns of the men of Essex such as immigration. Upon these dialogues the writer believes these misplaced politicians, not from such areas, mean 'Essex Man is back where he belongs. Maggie, send him a text and tell him how much you've missed him'.	2005	The Spectator (online), Kelvin Mackenzie	EPO-011-2005
<b>Essex Man, this is your biggest challenge</b>	The comments page for The Sunday Times features a half spread profile on Andy Coulson, born in Billericay who was educated in Wickford, who became editor of News of the World, has now been appointed Director of Communications for the Conservative Party. This article explores how Coulson is popular among fellow journalists, 'having worked his way up from an evening newspaper in Basildon, the spiritual home of Essex Man, where he was brought up in a Council house'. The reference to Basildon here is key to the heartland of thatcherite typing of Essex loyalists.	03/06/2007	The Sunday Times (p.19)	EPO-012-2007
<b>Anger as Labour MP mocks Essex people for 'medallions and white heels'</b>	Appearing in the Daily Mail online, a Labour MP is at the centre of a row during a debate following the mocking of Essex people for wearing 'medallions and white high heels', when David Taylor responded to discussions around the Olympics in the House of Commons regarding the benefits to the local area and Essex. The MP asked Olympics minister Tessa Jowell: 'Will the Minister care to deny the scurrilous rumours that, to encourage the people of Essex to be more involved, it is intended that the sports of putting the medallion and throwing the white high heels should be included?'	03/03/2009	Daily Mail (online), Kirsty Walker	EPO-013-2009
<b>Chelmsford MP hits out at Essex stereotyping</b>	A local newspaper report on West Chelmsford MP Simon Burns, criticising fellow MP for his 'hackneyed stereotyping' of Essex. Following asking Olympics Minister Tessa Jowel on the benefits for Essex from the 2012 Olympics, North West Leicestershire Labour MP David Taylor interjected with: 'Will the Minister care to deny the scurrilous rumours that, to encourage the people of Essex to be more involved, it is intended that the sports of putting the medallion and throwing the white high heels should be included?'	04/03/2009	Braintree & Whitham Times (online), Denise Rigby	EPO-014-2009
<b>Andy Coulson: from Essex council house to David Cameron's inner circle</b>	The Guardian article about Billericay born Andy Coulson who went from council estate, state school education at Beauchamps High School, to political aid of David Cameron, who resigned due to his partaking in the tabloid phone hacking scandal.	21/01/2011	The Guardian (online), Ben Quinn, James Robinson	EPO-015-2011
<b>We'll resist bailiffs and build barricades: Travellers facing eviction from Europe's biggest site say protest will be peaceful</b>	Following the 28 days notice of eviction the Daily Mail reports on how community representatives from the Dale Farm site will peacefully protest whilst establishing barricades and fences around the site. As coverage grows internationally of the impending eviction of the site, the largest traveller site in Europe, trained specialists are advising residents of resistance acts.	02/09/2011	Daily Mail (online), Andrew Levy, Ryan Kisiel	EPO-016-2011
<b>Bailiffs braced to reclaim Dale Farm as just a handful of protesters remain on site</b>	As bailiffs and council representatives enter the Dale Farm site, the largest traveller camp in Europe, they are met by protestors and activists who are determined to prevent eviction.	20/10/2011	Daily Mail (online), Rob Cooper, Rick Dewsbury	EPO-017-2011

<b>Battle of Basildon: Police strike at dawn to smash travellers' camps</b>	In this two page feature in the Daily Mail, coverage of the Dale Farm travellers site eviction near Basildon in Essex is reported through a series of photographic images of police in riot gear carrying shields, breaking down barriers and fences that the residents have installed, with activists resisting alongside the residents. Following instruction, over a hundred Police officers carrying tasers made 27 arrests ending a ten year eviction resistance.	20/10/2011	Daily Mail (p.6, 7), Andrew Levy, David Wilkes	EPO-018-2011
<b>Dale Farm exodus</b>	The Daily Mail reports that 'resistance at Dale Farm ended yesterday with a mass exodus' as the traveller site had been cleared following a council eviction supported by Essex Police, who removed residents and activists by 'force'. It is noted how despite the clearing many residents just moved to a legal part of the site or moved their caravans down the road. One resident, Elby is described as heartbroken to see the tower come down, 'It was like a monument to our cause'.	21/10/2011	Daily Mail (p.32), Andrew Levy, Andrew Martin	EPO-019-2011
<b>PMQs: OMG! TOWIE in the Commons</b>	Total Politics reports on how following on from Conservative MP Robert Halfon 'boasting' about Harlow's business rate growth, during Prime Minister's Questions in House of Commons, David Cameron replied with 'The Only Way Is Essex'. This occurs under the sub heading of 'It's finally happened – the prime minister has totes quoted The Only Way is Essex. The Speaker was well jel'.	21/03/2012	Total Politics (online), Lucy	EPO-020-2012
<b>Essex is not the only way, Prime Minister – Politicians are wooing the upwardly mobile children of the working class again</b>	Following a 'drubbing' in the elections The Independent comments that the coalition government needs to concentrate on the economy rather than policies regarding equality. Visiting the Basildon tractor plant in Essex, they argue that it is working class youths with upward mobility who are being disillusioned by the parties.	08/05/2012	The Independent (online)	EPO-021-2012
<b>Eric Pickles: 'The Only Way Is Essex'</b>	Huffington Post reports on Eric Pickles speaking to Kirsty Young on BBC Radio 4's <i>Desert Island Discs</i> , saying 'I am afraid I am going to have to admit to treason on the air – I like Essex'. The article goes on to explain that it is not the look associated with tan and eyelashes he likes but the rural countryside of his Brentwood constituency.	09/12/2012	Huffington Post UK (online), Jessica Elgot	EPO-022-2012
<b>The £28 million lottery-funded gallery that is mainly used as a free toilet</b>	Article about the recently newly opened public contemporary art gallery, Firstsite in Colchester in 2011, which following a £28 million cost to build had poor audience numbers, referred to as only having visitors to use the toilet facilities, which was amplified by its differing opinions socially in the region.	15/02/2014	Daily Mail (p.4)	EPO-023-2014
<b>For Essex man, the only way is Ukip, says SIMON HEFFER (who 25 years ago coined the phrase Essex Man)</b>	The writer and journalist, Simon Heffer who coined the phrase 'Essex Man', explains why he thinks the Ukip party are getting gains in the South East region such as Basildon stating 'The reasons for Ukip's success in Essex are simple. People in the south of the county — not the prettiest place in the world, but one with a relatively strong and vibrant economy — have long blamed the EU for many difficulties in their lives, viewing it as a threat to their prosperity and freedom'. Heffer believes that local MP's understand their views on the EU whereas the wider central conservative Tory party is alienating those in Essex. As Heffer says they are 'in another world'.	24/05/2014	Daily Mail (online), Simon Heffer	EPO-024-2014
<b>SIMON HEFFER: A wake-up call for Cameron from an Essex man</b>	Simon Heffer writes for the Daily Mail, reflecting on his term 'Essex Man' and the Tory stronghold it generated in the South East. However, in recent politics and the frame of Brexit he believes that the tory 'Essex Man' is under threat from being alienated and ignored, especially as the provisions and changing economic landscapes have changed since.	29/08/2014	Daily Mail (online), Simon Heffer	EPO-025-2014
<b>Clacton: Douglas Carswell becomes first elected UKIP MP</b>	The BBC reports that the former Tory MP Douglas Carswell has become the first Ukip candidate to be elected to the House of Commons, representing Clacton, with a majority of 12,404 votes over his former party.	10/10/2014	BBC News (online)	EPO-026-2014
<b>PMQs sketch: David Cameron is told the only way is Essex independence – After such a scrappy PMQs no wonder Essex want its independence says Sunday People political editor Nigel Nelson</b>	The Mirror reports on the prospect raised by Colchester Liberal Democrat MP Sir Bob Russell who is self-appointed leader of the Essex breakaway movement, that Essex could leave the UK, explaining 'that more people live in Essex than had voted yes to independence in the Scottish referendum' with the paper referring to this as a 'TOWIE Rebellion'.	29/10/2014	Mirror (online), Nigel Nelson	EPO-027-2014

<b>Ex-Tory MP Harvey Proctor denies ‘rent-boy ring’ allegations</b>	The LGBT+ news platform Pink News reports on how former Tory MP for Basildon and Billericay Harvey Proctor has been accused of previously being part of a ‘rent-boy circle’, which he denies.	05/03/2015	Pink News (online)	EPO-028-2015
<b>Former Tory MP Harvey Proctor denies being part of ‘rent-boy ring’</b>	BBC News reports on the media coverage of former Tory MP for Basildon and Billericay Harvey Proctor for historical accusations of previously being part of a ‘rent-boy circle’. With a extensive profile on the former MP and a video news article included, he denies these stories and states that ‘I have nothing to add to this Kafkaesque fantasy’.	05/03/2015	BBC News	EPO-029-2015
<b>Friend of nudist Eurosceptic MP claims he is the victim of naked ‘smear’ tactics due to his leading role in the Vote Leave campaign</b>	Article claiming MP Bernard Jenkins is lampooned because of a naked ‘smear’ campaign in relation to his views on Brexit.	27/12/2015	Daily Mail, Brendan Carlin	EPO-030-2015
<b>Late Tory MP leaves bizarre request – to be immortalised as ship’s figurehead with ‘enhanced bosoms’</b>	The Mirror reports on the late Conservative MP Teresa Gorman from Billericay who left in her will a large sum of money to be spent on the restoration of the HMS Beagle, and for her to be immortalised as the figurehead with enlarged breasts.	24/04/2016	Mirror (online)	EPO-031-2016
<b>... as Shami says: Don’t leave me alone with Essex man</b>	Gerri Peev in this Daily Mail article about the Brexit motions, reflects on Shami Chakrabarti’s comments that she didn’t want Jewish people to leave the labour party and be left with ‘Essex Men’ saying that ‘they lack the vision and views that you and I bring to this party’. The reporter also notes on similarities to quotes made by Labour MP Emily Thornberry who stood down as shadow attorney general following a ‘snobby’ tweet featuring a image of a ‘white van’.	27/09/2016	Daily Mail (p.2), Gerri Peev	EPO-032-2016
<b>Basildon: Brexit’s impact in the frontier town</b>	Basildon in Essex is the ultimate political bellwether town, having voted for the winning party at each General Election since it became a constituency in 1974. Earlier this year it set the trend for the country once again, as it voted to leave the EU.	30/11/2016	Channel 4 News (online), Paraic O’Brien	EPO-033-2016
<b>Mark Francois on Brexit being attacked, esp. by industry bosses</b>	Excerpt of a BBC News feature found on YouTube of Mark Francois, MP for Wickford North and Rayleigh, discussing the Brexit motion being attacked by wider industry bosses and leaders.	25/01/2019	YouTube, BBC News	EPO-034-2019
<b>Will Self and Mark Francois hold staring contest after tense exchange on Brexit</b>	Appearing on <i>BBC Politics Live</i> , Conservative MP for Wickford and Rayleigh Mark Francois and author Will Self had a staring contest following a tense exchange over Brexit.	08/03/2019	AOL (online)	EPO-035-2019
<b>Plaque installed to mark Iron Lady’s former Essex home</b>	The Gazette features a report on how following the death of former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, a blue plaque has been installed to commemorate her former home in Colchester in Essex, organised by the Colchester Civic Society.	11/06/2019	Gazette (p.9), Robbie Bryson	EPO-036-2019
<b>Essex seaside village Jaywick is named as England’s most deprived neighbourhood for the third time while parts of Blackpool take up EIGHT places on the ten worst areas list</b>	Daily Mail reports on how the seaside village Jaywick near Clacton, Essex has been named as the most deprived areas in England for the third time.	26/09/2019	Daily Mail (online), Amie Gordon	EPO-037-2019
<b>Welcome to the £7m fly-tip: Grim pictures show decaying remains of infamous traveller camp Dale Farm eight years to the day after residents violently fought eviction and council promised to return site to ‘green belt’</b>	The Daily Mail reports on the after effects of the Dale Farm evictions in which Basildon Council ‘promised’ to clear the land for green belt purposes, however it remains in decay despite a cost of £7 million in the eviction process.	21/10/2019	Daily Mail (online), Joe Middleton	EPO-038-2019
<b>Mark Francois slams attempts to stop Big Ben bonging for Brexit – ‘load of old codswallop’</b>	After speaking on LBC radio, MP Mark Francois expresses frustration after he has raised over £130,000 to get Big Ben to bong for Brexit day, and having to respond to comments that it shouldn’t go ahead.	17/01/2020	Express (online), Svar Nanan-Sen	EPO-039-2020



<b>'CALM DOWN!' Huge Newsnight row as Emma Barnett accuses Bernard Jenkin of lying to voters</b>	The Express reports on the event of MP Bernard Jenkins saying to Newsnight presenter Emma Barnett 'Calm Down' following a discussion around talk of lying to voters.	10/09/2020	Express (online), Oli Smith	EPO-040-2020
<b>Douglas Carswell: 'Brexit revolution started in Clacton'</b>	The Clacton Gazette reports on former Clacton MP Douglas Carswell, one of the leaders of the Vote Leave campaign, having been left overjoyed after the UK struck a post-Brexit trade deal with the EU, and claimed the 'revolution started in Clacton'.	29/12/2020	Clacton Gazette (online), James Dwan	EPO-041-2020
<b>David Amess MP under fire for 'mad' post on Brexit and Margaret Thatcher</b>	A Brexiteer MP who tweeted to celebrate the UK leaving the European Union shared a picture of a life-sized cut-out of Margaret Thatcher, which he appears to own. Tory MP for Southend West, David Amess, shared the picture alongside the words: 'Whilst Margaret didn't live long enough to see this day, I am sure that she is rejoicing in heaven'.	31/12/2020	The National (online), The Jouker	EPO-042-2020
<b>BERNARD JENKIN: Abolishing tampon tax is just the start of our exciting new freedoms!</b>	The Daily Mail reports on how MP Bernard Jenkins claiming that one of the best outcomes of leaving the European Union will be abolishing tampon tax in the UK.	03/01/2021	Daily Mail (online)	EPO-043-2021

## Essex Real

<b>The Tramp: Peter Blundel</b>	'A festive edition of the arts show with the Wandsworth School Choir singing carols in the studio, including a new piece by composer John Rutter called The Shepherd's Pipe Carol. Peter Bull reads the dramatic monologue Christmas Day in the Workhouse. In Romford, we meet Peter Blundel, a seaman turned tramp and amateur painter. Sir John Betjeman reads his own poem about Christmas. US actor Lance LeGault plays guitar and sings a blues song, Santa Claus is Back in Town. The sculptor Henry Moore talks about his work Madonna and Child, which he created for St Matthew's Church in Northampton.'	26/12/1970	ITV News	ER-001-1970
<b>Southend: Mammoth tusk? It's an old pipe</b>	After a mammoth tusk being discovered in a pensioners garden in Leigh, it is later revealed that it is in fact a hundred year old drain pipe.	15/09/2003	Gazette (online)	ER-002-2003
<b>The Little Book of Essex: Chocolate</b>	Mentioned inside the <i>The Little Book of Essex</i> by writer Dee Gordon is the quote 'chocolate boxes and biscuit tins carry fewer pictures of Essex than any other county'.	01/10/2009	<i>The Little Book of Essex</i> , Dee Gordon, The History Press	ER-003-2009
<b>Firstsite: The only way is Essex</b>	Jay Merrick reflects on the campaign and work that went into the planning and proposal of getting the cultural centre Firstsite in Colchester built. Following all the drama around the political debates and legal issues that ensued, this article questions how will the building survive as the 'Golden Banana of Essex'.	21/09/2011	The Independent, Jay Merrick	ER-004-2011
<b>Downton Abbey: NUDIST colony shocks the Dowager Countess. DOWNTON Abbey is rocked by the arrival of a nudist colony.</b>	Following an appearance in <i>Downton Abbey</i> the Daily Star reports on the mention of a nudist colony opening in Wickford in Essex, where the Duchess learns of through reading the newspaper.	13/10/2014	Daily Star (online), Katie Begley, Peter Dyke	ER-005-2014
<b>Pitsea Meet – w/ Southern Society</b>	Video uploaded to YouTube by user Stonee: 'There was a car meet at Pitsea flyover hosted by Southern society. now, usually i don't go to the Pitsea meets because of how small the area is there's usually no one there. but this time! it was a really good meet! a lot more cars showed up than i thought would.. i ended up with an hour and a half's worth of footage and ive cut it right down to a 10 minute video! I hope you guys enjoy! and dont forget to subscribe!'	01/08/2017	YouTube, Stonee	ER-006-2017
<b>Boy Racers on Southend Seafront!</b>	Video post on Your Southend's Facebook page picturing 'Boy Racers' on Southend Seafront doing drifting in front of small crowds lined up in the parking bays.	14/11/2017	Facebook, Your Southend	ER-007-2017

<b>Throwback to when Southend seafront was home to the boy racers!</b>	Video post on Your Southend's Twitter page picturing 'Boy Racers' on Southend Seafront doing drifting in front of small crowds lined up in the parking bays.	09/12/2017	Twitter, Your Southend	ER-008-2017
<b>New Town Utopia</b>	'New Town Utopia is a feature documentary film about utopian dreams and concrete realities. The challenging, funny, and sometimes tragic story of the British new town of Basildon, Essex. After WW2, New Towns were designed as social utopias to create (in the words of the post-war government) "a new type of citizen, a healthy, self-respecting, dignified person with a sense of beauty, culture and civic pride." Basildon and its pioneer residents were invested with these post-war hopes and aspirations. Now, 60 years on, the town has deteriorated, degenerated and desaturated. Art and culture are almost a distant memory and Basildon is often referred to as one of the worst towns in Britain. The story of Basildon is expressed through the memories of a group of charismatic but often self-destructive artists and musicians who keep 'creating' against the odds. Facing austerity, adversity and personal challenges these are individuals driven by their creative spirit to help their community through art, poetry, music... and some rather angry puppets.'	04/05/2018	Cult Modern, Christopher Ian Smith	ER-009-2018
<b>There's no place quite like Excellent Essex</b>	Simon Heffer reflects on Gillian Darley's new book <i>Excellent Essex</i> which will confront 'Those who think Essex is boring, or a human waste bin into which only the most meretricious people find themselves tipped', which this book will prove them 'wrong'. He goes on to refer to the rich undertones of history that is not known about the county, laid bare by Darley.	14/09/2019	Spectator (online), Simon Heffer	ER-010-2019
<b>PETER THE PAINTER'S CONWAY ON DISPLAY!</b>	Featured on the Havering Museum website, the local artist so called 'Peter The Painter' a homeless man, who painted various scenes on the streets in Romford has his works displayed in Havering Museum.	25/10/2019	Havering Museum (online)	ER-011-2019
<b>Things to Do in Debden When You're Dead</b>	A short film made with the film-maker John Rogers and the artists Miriam Elia, Bob & Roberta Smith and Jessica Voorsanger for the London Borough of Culture Waltham Forest Art Assembly.	25/11/2019	YouTube, William Galinsky, John Rogers	ER-012-2019
<b>The Romford painter who went from riches to a life living under a bridge – Do you remember Peter the Painter?</b>	My London news story about a local homeless man, Peter, who is known locally for painting various scenes of landscapes and ship scenes. With focus on his history from family moving to Romford, where Peter joined the Merchant Navy to follow in the footsteps of his paternal occupations – Peter's father Henry was even awarded an MBE when he retired as a lieutenant commander.	26/02/2020	My London (online), Lucy Skoulding	ER-013-2020
<b>Visit Essex Advert</b>	Visit Essex advert to boost tourism in response to dispelling the Essex stereotype through the image of Essex stars: 'Think you know Essex? Think again... Meet some of our extraordinary people, see some of our extraordinary places. #ThisisEssex'.	14/10/2020	YouTube, Visit Essex	ER-014-2020
<b>Basildon now has highest coronavirus infection rate in England</b>	Local news reports on how the Government has announced that Basildon now has the highest Coronavirus infection rates in England.	18/12/2020	Echo News (online), Ellis Whitehouse	ER-015-2020
<b>Latest South African variant case leads to surge testing in Essex: B1351 mutation identified in Brentwood, with 235 confirmed or probable cases now in UK</b>	Following the announcement of the South African variant of the Coronavirus strain, over 235 cases of the virus have been identified in Brentwood, Essex, with the Government announcing that surge testing will be undertaken in town.	21/02/2021	The Guardian (online), Natalie Grover	ER-016-2021
<b>Essex Sound</b>				
<b>Ian Dury – Billericay Dickie</b>	In his performance of the song 'Billericay Dickie', singer songwriter Ian Dury, Dury introduces himself as Billericay Dickie on stage. The song is narrated by a bragging bricklayer from Billericay, Dury's hometown, with the song filled with various nods to other Essex towns and places.	1977	YouTube	ES-001-1977
<b>Depeche Mode – Just can't get enough</b>	'Just Can't Get Enough' is a single by Depeche Mode, who are an English electronic music band formed in Basildon in 1980. The group consists of trio Dave Gahan, Martin Gore and Andy Fletcher.	07/09/1981	YouTube, Depeche Mode	ES-002-1981

<b>Billy Bragg – A13 ‘Trunk Road To The Sea’</b>	Stephen William Bragg born in Barking, is an English singer-songwriter and left-wing activist. His music blends elements of folk music, punk rock and protest songs, with lyrics that mostly span political or romantic themes. His A13 ‘Trunk Road to the Sea’ is a love story song to the South Essex landscape along the A13 road through to Southend.	00/11/1983	YouTube, Billy Bragg	ES-003-1983
<b>Billy Bragg – Sexuality</b>	‘Sexuality’ is the ninth track on Billy Bragg’s 1991 album, Don’t Try This at Home. ‘Sexuality’ is seen as an anti-homophobia and generally sex-positive song.	05/08/1991	YouTube, Billy Bragg	ES-004-1991
<b>The Only Way Is The Dictionary: Reality TV show gets ‘babe’ in between the covers of the OED</b>	The Daily Mail reports that the reality television show <i>The Only Way Is Essex</i> is responsible for the word ‘babe’ being entered into the Oxford English Dictionary amongst 2,000 other words.	16/06/2011	Daily Mail (online)	ES-005-2011
<b>The Essex Joke Book</b>	Nicholas Knights book of Essex jokes is a collection of satire around the bling and aesthetic fuelled gags all about Essex Girls and Boys, their tans, and conquests.	13/09/2012	<i>The Essex Joke Book</i> , Nicholas Knights, Virgin Digital	ES-006-2012
<b>Essex Dialect: A Selection of Words and Anecdotes from Around Essex</b>	The <i>Essex Dialect</i> book by Camilla Zaja, explores the history and evolution of Essex dialect. Under the attention and social assumptions of <i>TOWIE</i> it argues through dictionary of terms and phrases, our dialect dates further afield into ancient times. The book includes a dictionary to help you develop an altogether new vocabulary, plus a collection of tales and anecdotes.	30/09/2013	<i>Essex Dialect</i> , Camilla Zajac, Bradwell Books	ES-007-2013
<b>John Betjeman’s Essex</b>	On an Essex Voices Past online archive a user reflects on the Essex stereotype image under <i>TOWIE</i> whilst contrasting this with the writings of John Betjeman, the poet laureate, who in 1958 said in a passage regarding Essex dialect and churches: ‘Essex is a large square with two sides waters. It is a stronger contrast of beauty and ugliness than any other Southern English county’.	03/09/2014	Essex Voices Past (online)	ES-008-2014
<b>CHEEKY GUIDE TO ESSEX LINGO: We share need-to-know Essex lingo</b>	The Sun explores the lingo behind Cockney and Essex dialect with a list of various phrases that are used in the Essex County after <i>Eastenders</i> actress June Brown called them ‘Brown Bread’.	20/04/2017	The Sun (online), Jen Pharo	ES-009-2017
<b>Essex Girl (Professional)</b>	A song on the SoundCloud site created by a user using the hashtag movement #IAmAnEssexGirl titled ‘Essex Girl (Professional)’ which parodies people’s perceptions of Essex Girls whilst also acting as a empowerment ballad.	2018	Soundcloud (online), #IAmAnEssexGirl	ES-010-2018
<b>7 words made famous by The Only Way is Essex – From “Reem” to “Wepskini”!</b>	The online blogging site of reality television Reality Tit Bit explores a list of various words and phrases made famous by <i>The Only Way Is Essex</i> including ‘Reem’ and ‘Wepskini’.	2019	Reality Tit Bit (online), Liam Curtis	ES-011-2019
<b>The 27 Essex slang words that confuse people outside the county</b>	Essex Live published a humorous article on their website about a list of slang words which are used in the Essex County such as ‘Chelmo’, ‘Sick’ and ‘Muggy’.	18/05/2020	Essex Live (online), Louise Lazell	ES-012-2020
<b>Accentism is alive and well – and it doesn’t only affect the north of England</b>	In The Conversation ‘accentism’ is explored through the politics and typings of accents within working class Britain. In particular it addresses the origins and foundings of the Cockney and Essex dialect and how this gave rise to the Essex Man and Essex Girl stereotype.	26/10/2020	The Conversation (online), Monika Schmid, Amanda Cole, Ella Jeffries	ES-013-2020
<b>The Essay, Odes to Essex: Metropolitan Essex</b>	‘In this first episode of the series ‘Odes to Essex’ on radio exploring the Essex County, singer-songwriter Billy Bragg reflects on the borderland between London and Essex that fuelled his childhood imagination. Beginning with the quote by John Betjeman that Essex is ‘a stronger contrast of beauty and ugliness than any other southern English county’, Bragg then talks about the diamond bling of ‘The Only Way Is Essex’, as well as the impact and image of the ‘Essex Girls’ of the 80s and the Tory-loving ‘Basildon Man’ of the 90s. Bragg disputes the parody’.	25/01/2021	BBC Radio 3, Billy Bragg	ES-014-2021

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