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Our website uses cookies – as almost all websites do – to help provide you with the best visitor experience we can.

Cookies are small text files that are placed on your computer or mobile phone when you browse websites.

### Our cookies help us:

- Make our website work as you'd expect
- Save you having to login every time you visit the site
- Remember your settings during and between visits
- Improve the speed/security of the site
- Continuously improve our website for you

### We do not use cookies to:

- Collect any personally identifiable information (without your express permission)
- Collect any sensitive information (without your express permission)
- Pass data to advertising networks
- Pass personally identifiable data to third parties
- Pay sales commissions

You can learn more about all the cookies we use below.

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### We use cookies to make our website work including:

- Determining if you are logged in or not
- Remembering your search settings
- Allowing you to add comments to our site

There is no way to prevent these cookies being set other than to not use our site.

Our site, like most websites, includes functionality provided by third parties. A common example is an embedded YouTube video. We also have a third-party link to Suffolk Constabulary.

### **Cookies are set by:**

We use cookies to compile visitor statistics such as how many people have visited our website, what type of technology they are using (e.g. Mac or Windows which helps to identify when our site isn't working as it should for particular technologies), how long they spend on the site, what page they look at etc. This helps us to continuously improve our website. These so called "analytics" programmes also tell us on an anonymous basis, how people reached this site (e.g. from a search engine) and whether they have been here before helping us to put more money into developing our services for you instead of marketing spend.

### **We use Google Analytics for this.**

You can usually switch cookies off by adjusting your browser settings to stop it from accepting cookies. Doing so however, will likely limit the functionality of ours and a large proportion of the world's websites, as cookies are a standard part of most modern websites.

It may be that your concerns around cookies relate to so called "spyware". Rather than switching off cookies in your browser you may find that anti-spyware software achieves the same objective by automatically deleting cookies considered to be invasive.

Should you wish any further information please contact the Parish Clerk: [clerk@chelmondistonpc.info](mailto:clerk@chelmondistonpc.info)