

The Floods of 1953

Resource Pack for Schools



This pack has been commissioned by the Essex Record Office and was created by Pippa Smith of Handling the Past <http://handlingthepast.co.uk/> working with the support of a range of partners.

The pack contains three PowerPoints and Teachers Notes with background to the events of January 31st, 1953, along with some suggestions for class activities linked to the PowerPoints. Activities have also been provided by the Environment Agency.

The photographs, audio recordings and maps used are also provided as individual files to help you create your own activities.

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Photographs used in the PowerPoints

Jaywick Floods

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Audio recordings used in the Jaywick Floods Powerpoint, from the Essex Sound and Video Archive

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Slide 7	Derek and Audrey Frost 1
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Slide 12	Malcolm MaGregor
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Transcripts and additional information about each audio recording

Maps used in the Teachers' Pack

Flood map 1

Flood map 2

Additional resources

The Environment Agency has proved additional photographs.

Jaywick 1953 sea defences

Jaywick old pic of beach levels (1950s)

Sea wall update after 1953

Waves coming over the wall in front of old Butlins

Jaywick 2008 beach recharge scheme

Work on sea defences

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