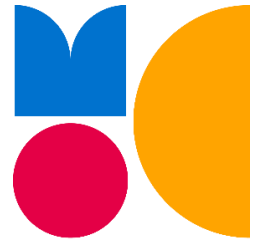




**The Royal
Anglian Regiment**



**MUSEUM OF
CHELMSFORD**

FAQs

A new chapter for Essex's regimental heritage

Is the Museum of Chelmsford closing too?

No, the Museum of Chelmsford remains open. The Essex Regiment Museum gallery within the Museum of Chelmsford will close and be repurposed.

Will the Essex Yeomanry exhibition leave the Museum of Chelmsford too?

No, items from the Essex Yeomanry Association are not connected to the Essex Regiment Museum collection and remain on display at the Museum of Chelmsford.

Where will the Essex Regiment collection physically move to?

Some items in the Essex Regiment collection will stay at the Museum of Chelmsford, while other objects will be moved to the Royal Anglian Regiment Museum.

Who will decide which items will stay at the Museum of Chelmsford?

In the coming weeks, a stakeholder committee of curators and trustees from the Museum of Chelmsford, Essex Regiment Museum and Royal Anglian Regiment Museum, will be formed to review the Essex Regiment collection. They will rationalise the artefacts contained within the collection and help decide which will transfer to the Royal Anglian Regiment Museum and which will become part of the Museum of Chelmsford's collection. This review and transfer process will take some time to complete.

I've got an object on loan to the regiment; how do I get it back?

Some items loaned to the Essex Regiment Museum at the Museum of Chelmsford may be returned to their respective owners. Lenders will be contacted directly in the coming weeks to organise this process.

Items loaned from the Essex Regiment Museum to other museums and galleries will be considered for return during the rationalisation process.

When will Essex Regiment items go on display elsewhere at the Museum of Chelmsford?

From January 2026 the Essex Regiment Museum gallery will be decanted, and a stakeholder committee will decide which items will remain at the Museum of

Chelmsford. Visitors will start to see these retained artefacts go on display in the museum's permanent galleries in early 2026.

What will the Essex Regiment gallery space be used for in future?

The Essex Regiment Museum's gallery will close from January 2026 and will become a multipurpose space, used to display further temporary exhibition content and to host community-focused activities. This will start with content to complement a major 2026 exhibition exploring the mystery of the Great Baddow Hoard.

Where should I direct enquiries about a family member's connection to the Essex Regiment?

For the time being, the existing process managed by The Museum of Chelmsford remains unchanged and the museum will work alongside the Royal Anglian Regiment Museum to continue to deliver a service to provide family history searches of personnel who served in the Essex Regiment. You can make an enquiry about a member of the Essex Regiment by contacting the Museum of Chelmsford online:

[Contact: Chelmsford Museums](#)