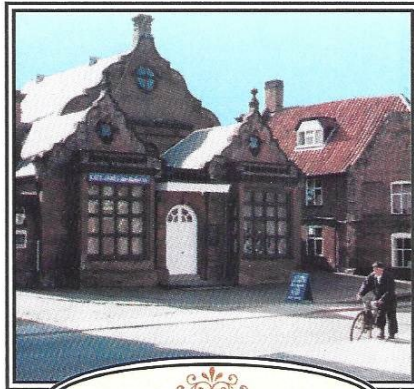


**WATER MILL**

Situated opposite the staithe, this 400 year old wooden mill is reported to be the sole surviving example of its type in England. It is also considered to be one of the oldest watermills in East Anglia. Though sadly not working, it has enjoyed a variety of uses from tea rooms to furniture shop, and is of special significance to Loddon.



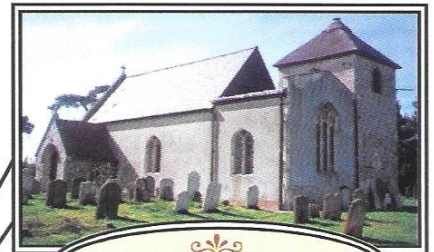
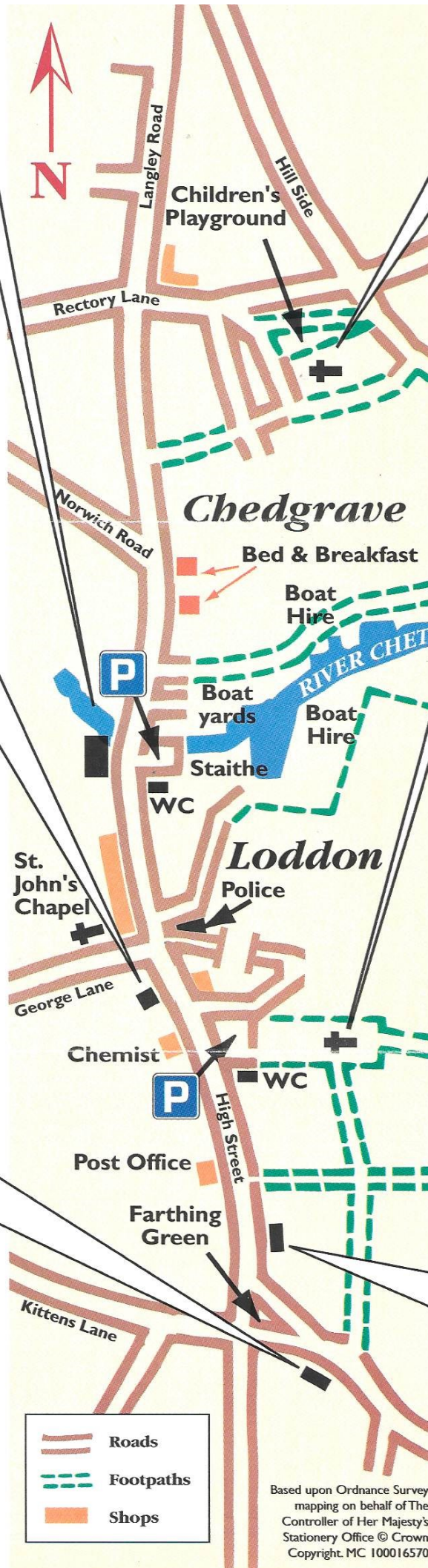
**OLD TOWN HALL**

Built in 1870, to an extravagant Victorian and Elizabethan style, rarely seen in a public building, it once held petty sessions and public entertainment. It is now utilised as the area's new information centre.



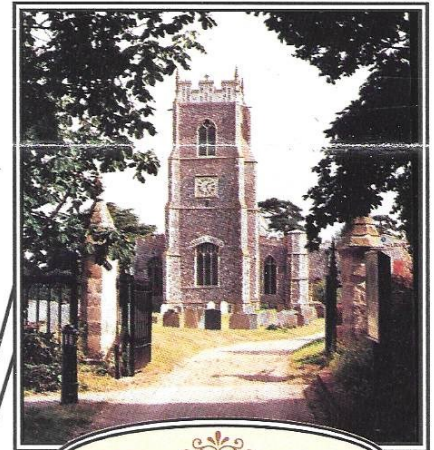
**LODDON HOUSE**

This imposing house, built in 1716 is a fine example of an 18th Century 'Gentleman's House' reflecting Loddon's prosperous commercial past. Now privately owned, one of its previous uses was as a lunatic asylum.



**ALL SAINTS**

This pleasantly situated church with Norman doorway overlooks the river and marsh. It contains fine continental stained glass brought by Lady Beauchamp Proctor after the French Revolution.



**HOLY TRINITY**

A backdrop to the main square, this 15th century Perpendicular church was provided by James Hobart, Henry VII's Attorney General. and built in direct line with his gate house at Hales. Inside, a painted panel in the remains of the rood screen shows a rare portrayal of the martyrdom of St. William of Norwich. An alms box as depicted on the town sign is seen on entry. Upstairs there is a display of the area's past, while its peaceful churchyard is home to a number of wild birds and flowers.



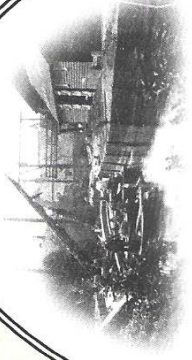
**THE ANGEL**

This is reputed to be the oldest pub in Loddon. It allegedly housed the medieval builders of Holy Trinity Church.

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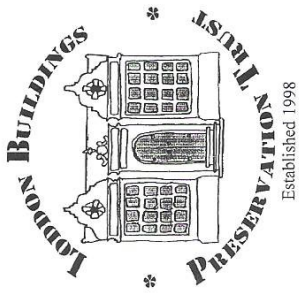
Loddon is one of South Norfolk's finest towns. Its vibrant heritage is reflected in its fine Georgian and Victorian architecture. These reminders of a commercial era driven by the graceful Wherries which once brought trade to Loddon, nestle with earlier buildings which provide a glimpse into the past of this once thriving Broads hub.

Alfric Moderscope established the town in the reign of Edward the Confessor and he is depicted on the town's sign at Farthing Green, where he is shown with an alms box. This is a representation of one found in Holy Trinity Church.

Loddon became a centre of trade and administration in South East Norfolk by the 15th century. Royal permission entitled it to hold a market and fair, which it did until recent times. During the early 20th century, Loddon was the principal exporter to the continent of trefoil seed, a well known U.K. soil improver.

Chedgrave, a rural village, established itself separately from Loddon. In the 18th and 19th century its principal family was the Proctor Beauchamps who lived at Langley Hall. They refurbished All Saints, the parish church. Included within this guide are a few of the little gems which Loddon and Chedgrave have to offer. Enjoy your visit.

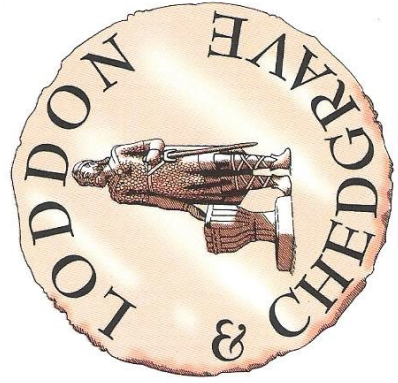
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This guide is part of a larger innovative project between the local community and the private sector, to use tourism as a means of providing both a reminder of our towns and villages while satisfying a vision of providing real benefits to the local community.



# TOWN GUIDE to HISTORIC BUILDINGS

