George V Pillar and Wall boxes.

Robert Mercer 26th December 2020.

George V came to the throne in May 1910 and reigned to January 1936. Until the death of his older brother, Albert, in 1892 he had been destined for a career in the Royal Navy. He had joined the service in 1877 when 12 years old and served until 1892 and this very much influenced his tastes.

He preferred the simpler choices rather than the bold and extravagant of his father Edward VI and this is reflected in their ciphers. George chose the simple "G.R "in a strong type with no need for numerals in stark contrast to his father's elaborate "E.R. VII" cipher.





Pillar Boxes.

131 High Street, "Fat George" Type C double. North Facing Grid 599666 225229





83 Crouch Street. Type B pillar box. East Facing. Grid 599270 224974





16 St Botolph's Street. East Facing. Grid 599903 224925





8 Constantine Road. North Facing. Grid 598836 224168





Opposite 28 St Clare Road. South Facing Grid 597476 224782





101 Shrub End Road. North Facing. Grid 597684 223688





194 Shrub End Road Post Office with part base for sign. North Facing. Grid 597353 223446





Hythe Hill/ St Leonards Road. North Facing. Grid 601199 224696





218 Old Heath Road, base for sign. East Facing. Grid 601401 223540





18 Elmstead Road. West Facing. Grid 601948 224580





Opposite 174 Turner Road. East Facing. Grid 599772 227188





Whitmore Drive, Boxted Road. West Facing. Grid 598984 228548





182 Cowdray Avenue South Facing. Grid 600188 226152





47 Seaview Avenue, West Mersea. South Facing. Grid 602293 212899





Wall Boxes.

St Albright's Church, London Road, Stanway. West Facing. Grid 593 224330





35 Empress Avenue, West Mersea. West Facing. Grid 602089 212805





The wall boxes are each of two different patterns. One with the initials above the posting entry and the other with initials on the door.



An example showing the pillar box Post Office sign which would have been seen at Old Heath and Shrub End Road Post Offices.



Lexden Heath Delivery Office, London Road Stanway. Closed September 2016.

Note the George Vth Ludlow Enamel Post Box for Post Offices and the Pashley delivery bike.

