

Masked off to raise pond cash

A MASKED ball and art exhibition is to be held to raise funds for a new pond with disabled access in Hadleigh.

Thundersley businesswoman Silke Ukena has organised the event to raise cash for the project for Hadleigh Castle Country Park.

The ball is to be held at Hylands House, in Chelmsford, next month.

Ms Ukena, a manager of the Backbones Clinic, in Hart Road, said: "The pond is quite difficult to get to for those with disabilities.

"The money raised by this ball and exhibition will be spent on a new pond with an accessible ramp nearer to the car park.

"I'm working with Friends of Hadleigh Castle Country Park on this project as we all believe it is important and we have already had people who will be coming to the ball offering to help dig the pond.

"It is just wonderful to see how these things can develop."



■ Masked off – businesswoman Silke Ukena and Rosemary Carrington, of Friends of Hadleigh Castle Country Park
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