The Order of St John's Knights Hospitallers: From Jerusalem to Essex by Paul Gwilliam 2.30pm Saturday 18th October at Trinity Methodist Church, Chelmsford CM1 2XB. Visitors and prospective members warmly welcomed – £5. Booking not required.

Resume of talk:-

The talk will look at the formation of the Order of Knights Hospitallers in the Holy Land, from the establishment of the first hospitals and discuss how the Order spread throughout Europe, in particular, into England and Essex.

Background:-

Paul is the current Hospitaller for Essex and past chair of the St John Historical Society. Author of "The Priory for Wales: 1877-1920". This considers the contribution of the Order of St John to the formation of ambulance trains in the early period of the First World War, from August 1914 – May 1915. He is the editor of "St John Historical Society: A Collection of Papers". He is currently working with Mick Moring on the History of St John in Southend.