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ELECTORIAL ROLLS

Following completing your voting details for the Electoral Register you should have received notification that there are two registers, The Electoral Register and the Open Register.

The latter register is an extract from the Electoral Register and may be sold to any person or business. You may request that your details do NOT appear in the Open Register. Details may be found at

www.gov.uk/yourvotematters

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MULLARD AND PHILIPS ADVERTS

These adverts from bygone times for

Mullard the Master Valve

Philips Car Radios - Music on the Move

Philips for Radio - The ideal combination

have been added to Your Pictures under a new heading [ADVERTISEMENTS](#).

If you have adverts relating to our old company which you would like to share, please send them

to Tony M.

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EKCO

The EKCO group along with various Pye activities were taken over by Philips in the 1970s.

Unfortunately much of the EKCO history which once was on the internet has now been lost.

Two articles have been recovered,

EKCO Wartime and EKCO Domestic

Products which may be found under [Your Articles](#), EKCO.

These are reproduced as found on the internet with full recognition of the copyright of the original authors. The PEPA web site <http://pepaonline>.

[org.uk/](#) also reports that a book entitled "EKCO Sounds" by Chris Poole and Peter C Brown was published by Estuary Publishing in early 2014.

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HISTORY ON THE INTERNET

My searches have thrown up three web site which records some of Mullard history:

<http://pepa-online.org.uk/>

<http://www.wylie.org.uk/technology/semics/Mullard/Mullard.htm>

<http://www.andycowley.com/valves/old/history/Mullard-history.html>

<http://www.mullardmagic.co.uk/mullard/default.aspx>

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PPP

Some of you have PPP benefits and others may be topping them up. These remain tax free provided the benefit was taken up before 5 April 1998, i.e you retired before this date.

If you retired after this date, then your tax code will reflect the value of PPP benefit. The tax code is provided by Philips Electronics UK Ltd to the HMRC.

Several of you (including myself) have found this tax code to be wrong and have contacted Christine Hughes at Guildford. Christine's email is :- christine.hughes@philips.com and her phone number 01483 298681.

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SOUTHAMPTON MULLARD SITE

The old Mullard Southampton site has been taken over by a private investor, with part now occupied by SELEX, a high tech company which included the bay 1 EOD activity.

See

<http://www.selex-es.com/-/southampton-opening>

and

<http://www.selex-es.com/-/bbc-nature>

Our web site has received several visits from SELEX employees who were searching the for history.

There are two records that have attracted particular attention in our Your Articles pages,

A History of Southampton v1 and v2.

The Your Articles index has been changed to enable both versions to be easily read. SELEX employees

Duncan Layne has been in contact and commends the writers

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Our PENSION FUND

The Philips Pensioners Committee (Southern) AGM was held on 24 June 2014 at Denbies at which Aubrey Dunford and John Mansell were re-elected.

They reported that our fund was very sound as evaluated on three basis:

Swap 97% Gilt 100%

Trustee 100%

Towers Watson was providing a much improved service to pensioners enquires. However the use of the web based service was low.

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