



## NEWSLETTER 2<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020

Dear Parishioner

### **CORONAVIRUS – BACK TO SCHOOL**

The Government have published updated guidance on what parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges in the autumn term – for full details please see here:- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>

### **GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE UPDATES**

Here are the links to the most recent Updates on: -

**Travel Corridors, please see:-** [https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-countries-and-territories-exempt-from-advice-against-all-but-essential-international-travel?utm\\_source=e6f3c5eb-97cf-4204-81a3-d218e4edf960&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm\\_content=immediate](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-countries-and-territories-exempt-from-advice-against-all-but-essential-international-travel?utm_source=e6f3c5eb-97cf-4204-81a3-d218e4edf960&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate)

**Covid-19 Getting Tested, please see:-** [https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested?utm\\_source=2b02e10e-d7d1-43f2-a2c8-252b33326642&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm\\_content=immediate](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested?utm_source=2b02e10e-d7d1-43f2-a2c8-252b33326642&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate)

### **BURY PARISH COUNCIL**

The Parish Council continue to hold meetings using video conferencing via Zoom. The next meeting of the council takes place on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm** and the agenda for the meeting can be viewed here: -

[file:///C:/Users/John/AppData/Local/Packages/microsoft.windowscommunicationsapps\\_8wekyb3d8bbwe/LocalState/Files/S0/7/Attachments/BPC%20Meeting%207th%20September%202020\[9046\].pdf](file:///C:/Users/John/AppData/Local/Packages/microsoft.windowscommunicationsapps_8wekyb3d8bbwe/LocalState/Files/S0/7/Attachments/BPC%20Meeting%207th%20September%202020[9046].pdf).

Members of the public are welcome to join this online meeting and speak for a maximum of five minutes about an item on the agenda during the Public Session at the discretion of the

Chair. If you would like to join the meeting please email the clerk before the meeting at [clerkburyparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:clerkburyparishcouncil@gmail.com)

## **BURY VILLAGE HALL - UPDATE**

When lockdown measures were first introduced in March, community facilities such as village halls had to close their doors to all users, resulting in the immediate loss of income from our various hirers. Recently, guidelines were published covering the re-opening of community facilities requiring users to observe a number of protocols such as the need to wash hands or use sanitiser on arrival (and regularly during occupation), clean door handles, tables, chairs, sinks, toilets, worktops on arrival and departure, take turns to use confined spaces such as corridors, kitchens and toilets, observe social distancing on arrival, during occupation and leaving - plus wearing face coverings on entry to and exit from the building and during occupancy unless covered under a reasonable excuse, e.g. if attending a gym class, undertaking an activity where it impacts ability or if removing a face covering temporarily to eat and drink something. Social distancing requirements have also led to our having to reduce the attendance capacity to 30 persons in the main hall and to 8 in the Sydney Room.

On the understanding that the organisers of a particular group or activity wishing to hire the hall undertake to attend to the required cleaning regime (BPC could not possibly clean all surfaces at the hall between each hire) and “police” the social distancing and face covering aspects, it was decided to invite our regular users to return to the hall if desired. For the last two or three weeks, we have welcomed the Matt Fiddes Martial Arts Class on Tuesdays and this has proved to be a very satisfactory pilot exercise. As we move into September, the Boat House Ballet School returns on 2<sup>nd</sup> September, the Martletts Short Mat Bowlers resume operations on the 7<sup>th</sup> and Barry and Sue Bird will holding the Bury and Pulborough Dance Group Sessions again on Thursdays and Fridays from the 24<sup>th</sup>.

Consequently, we now have regular bookings for each weekday evening and are once again able to rely upon the resultant income to keep the hall operating for the benefit of residents.

**Please note that the village hall car park is intended for users of the hall, so now it has re-opened, could residents who have been parking there (other than those tenants of Squires Cottages who are allocated one space) please arrange to park elsewhere to avoid causing difficulties for hall users. Your co-operation on this issue is much appreciated.**

Unfortunately, the COVID-19 measures we would need to follow in the hall do not really lend themselves to the resumption of such events as the monthly coffee mornings or the horticultural society’s plant sales and flower shows but rest assured that the organisers concerned are keen to get these up and running again once it is deemed safe to do so.

## **APPLE PRESSING DAY**

As notified in an earlier Newsletter, Apple Pressing Day takes place on Bury Green/Playground at the rear of the village hall, commencing at 12 noon and will finish at

4.00pm. Please bring along your cooking and eating apples (not rotten or badly bruised!) and sufficient bottles for your juice, plastic if you wish to freeze the juice but we will be offering advice as to how to pasteurize in which case bottles are probably best. As a guide 2kg of apples will yield about 1 litre of juice.

Please note that COVID-19 restrictions as regards hygiene measures and social distancing apply to Bury Green and there is a one-way system in operation for entry to and exit from the Green – please see the notices displayed on site. Unfortunately, the complications arising from the COVID-19 measures mean that we will not be running a barbecue or children's games on this occasion. The extra measures applying to the use of community halls (as described in the previous item) will mean that the village hall will not be open on Apple Pressing Day.

Could residents please ensure that the **village hall car park is kept free on 12<sup>th</sup> September.**

### **BURY POST OFFICE**

Please note that Bury Post Office will be closed on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September as Tracy will be on holiday.

### **CHURCH LANE CLOSURE**

A late reminder that Church Lane, Bury will be closed this **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** for work being carried out by Openreach (not the 4<sup>th</sup> as shown on the road sign).

If you require help with shopping or collection of medication please contact: -

**Fr. Peter Mallinson (Bury) 839057 or Ken & Diana Rowsell (West Burton) 831475**

For further information please contact the parish clerk Mike Simpson at: -  
[clerkburyparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:clerkburyparishcouncil@gmail.com)

Best wishes

Bury Parish Council