



## NEWSLETTER 7<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

Dear Parishioner

### **CORONAVIRUS UPDATE**

In last week's Newsletter we provided coverage of the rules regarding the need for self-isolation (and the fines for non-compliance) together with information on the Test and Trace scheme including the new COVID-19 app designed to help control the transmission of coronavirus. Previous Newsletters have covered such aspects as social contact, face coverings, visiting public places, taking part in activities, going to work, using public transport and so on. Quite a lot to take in and remember so we do strongly recommend that you have a look at the latest version of the Government's Frequently Asked Questions document which provides an extremely comprehensive guide to what you can and cannot do in a wide variety of situations and settings – it can be accessed here: -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do>

We know that in certain parts of the country more severe lockdown conditions have been imposed as a result of significant rises in coronavirus infections. In West Sussex, fortunately, case numbers have been much lower but we have been alerted by Amberley Parish Council that they understand there are now cases of Covid-19 in the area bordering the Wildbrooks parishes, including Pulborough. So, as the virus approaches ever closer, it is important that in order to maintain the safety of our community we all stay alert and strictly follow current government guidance.

### **Getting Tested**

For the latest Government guidance on coronavirus testing, including who is eligible for a test and how to get tested, please see here: -

[https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested?utm\\_source=13b5cb8f-4ebf-40d7-9c66-fd8b5d908fde&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm\\_content=immediate](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested?utm_source=13b5cb8f-4ebf-40d7-9c66-fd8b5d908fde&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_content=immediate)

### **Travel Corridors**

For the latest list of countries, territories and regions from where you can travel to England and may not have to self-isolate please see here: -

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-travel-corridors>

## **CINEMA CLOSURES**

Movie fans will doubtless be dismayed that following the news that Cineworld has announced it will close all of its cinemas in the UK from Thursday 8 October, with no official date on when they might re-open again, the multi-screen Chichester Cineworld will be lost to the community as a source of entertainment until further notice. However, for those seeking the big screen experience there are other options locally – the **Windmill Cinema** on the seafront in Littlehampton has a wide variety of films on show during most of October, including Two by Two: Overboard for children during half-term week at the end of the month. For details as well as information as to how the auditorium has been made COVID-19 compliant please see here:-

<https://windmillcinema.co.uk/WindmillCinema.dll/Home>

Another option is the **Chichester New Park** cinema which, having been closed for 30 weeks, is due to open again on Friday October 16<sup>th</sup> – full details can be found here: - <https://chichestercinema.org/>

## **CHICHESTER DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Chichester District Council has moved another step further in the Local Plan Review process and published a list of sites across the Local Plan area that may have the potential to accommodate housing and employment. The HELAA 2020 (Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment) is a technical assessment which is updated on a regular basis and will be used as key evidence as part of the Local Plan Review. The document is part of the initial stages when looking at potential sites for development. CDC stress that the identification of a possible site does not mean that it will be developed. For further details please see here: -

<https://www.chichester.gov.uk/article/34513/Assessment-of-land-availability-will-help-identify-potential-housing-and-employment-sites-in-Chichester-District>

## **MOTORBIKES UPDATE**

As you will recall from previous reports, our local MP Andrew Griffith has been extremely active in his efforts to help find a permanent solution to the problem of anti-social behaviour on our local roads. Andrew is now taking his campaign to the House of Commons and later this month will present a new Bill – “The Vehicle Registration Offences (Penalty Points) Bill”. Here is an extract from Andrew’s own Newsletter providing more detail: -

### **Introducing a new Bill on Vehicle Registration Offences**

Regular readers will know that I have been persistently working with agencies such as Sussex Police to make the roads of West Sussex safer as well as crack down on the minority of anti-social motorcyclists and car drivers whose noise causes real frustration to residents as they treat local A-roads in areas such as Petworth, Wisborough Green and Bury as their personal race track from dawn to dusk.

Following the concerted efforts of Operation Downsway over the summer months, my campaign now moves to Parliament and later this month I will be presenting a new Bill in the Commons to close a current loophole in the law. Currently, there is a clear pattern of deliberate behaviour by a small but dangerous minority of road users using illegal ‘show plates’ with small or non-standard fonts that cannot be read from a distance or by many

speed cameras. These anti-social drivers and motorcyclists defy speed limits and cameras with only moderate consequences: the probability of a £100 fine if they are stopped by the police. This is seen as an acceptable risk by certain owners of performance motorbikes and sports cars. However, points on their driving licence leading to higher insurance premiums and ultimately disqualification would be a much greater deterrent.

The Bill is called 'The Vehicle Registration Offences (Penalty Points) Bill' and I hope that it will be supported by all right-thinking residents and Parliamentarians alike.

### **SQUIRE & HORSE, BURY**

The Squire and Horse is now open 6 days a week from Tuesday to Sunday serving lunch and dinner and offering a take-away service of their new menu. To make a reservation or order a take-away meal phone 01798-831343. To visit the website please see here: -

<https://www.squireandhorsebury.co.uk/>

### **BURY POST OFFICE**

Tracy, our postmistress, has asked if we could remind everyone of some of the services Bury Post Office can provide such as postage stamps, deposit of cheques and cash to your bank, cash withdrawals up to £250, parcels service and car tax renewal. The Post Office Outreach service - of which we are a part - do monitor usage of the post office and it is important that we support Tracy to ensure its continuation. Bury Post Office is open every Friday between 1.15pm and 3.15pm.

### **BURY VILLAGE HALL**

We are pleased to report that, following the re-opening of the village hall in August, most of our regular hirers have commenced operations again under the COVID-19 guidelines governing their particular activity. The hall now plays host to the Matt Fiddes Martial Arts Group (Tuesdays), the Boathouse Ballet School (Wednesdays) and the Bury & Pulborough Dance Club (Thursdays and Fridays). We hope shortly to welcome back the Martletts Short Mat Bowls Group (Mondays) once they have had clearance from their Association to resume in the light of the COVID-19 guidelines.

Jacqui Hillier has just this week restarted the Cornflakes and Chill Out Club in the Sydney Room – afternoons only for the time being but hopefully mornings as well in due course.

If you are interested in joining any of these groups, please email the parish clerk who can provide you with the relevant contact details.

Could we please remind residents that the **village hall car park** is provided for the benefit of hall users. We rely upon the income from hirers of the hall to ensure it can remain operational for the benefit of the community so now we are open for business again, if you are not a hall user (nor a tenant of Bury Parish Council) then could you please make arrangements to park elsewhere.

Stay well, keep safe and if you need help with shopping or medical prescriptions please contact: -

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

To visit the Bury Parish Council website please see: - [www.buryparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.buryparishcouncil.org.uk)

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

Best wishes

Bury Parish Council