



NEWSLETTER 3rd MARCH 2021

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

With the first dose of a coronavirus vaccine having been received by over 20 million people, the UK is now on target under Phase 1 of the roll-out programme to offer a first dose to all over 50s – along with certain key workers and clinically vulnerable people - by 15th April. Under Phase 2, all people between age 18 and 49 will then be offered a jab by 31st July, bringing the grand total of vaccinations offered to around 53 million.

From Monday 1st March, NHS England were expected to issue invitation letters to those aged between 60 and 63. Anyone who had received an invitation since the programme began in mid-December but had not taken up the offer can still do so. Although currently there are no plans to vaccinate children, a number of volunteers are taking part in trials to then enable researchers to assess whether the jab produces a strong immune response in children aged 6 to 17.

At local level, the **Pulborough Medical Group** are now booking all patients vaccinated between **29th December and 9th January** for their **second dose**. They will be contacting eligible patients but if you prefer you can phone the surgery to book your second dose appointment. PMG are also offering the first vaccination to patients aged over 60 as well as those in the “at risk” group. You are asked to contact the surgery for an appointment. The PMG website can be accessed here:- <https://www.pmgdoctors.co.uk/>

Patients of the Arundel Surgery can find the latest update on vaccinations here: - <https://arundelsurgery.co.uk/>

GETTING TESTED FOR CORONAVIRUS

If you have coronavirus symptoms (a high temperature, a new continuous cough or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste) you should arrange to get a free test online – please see here: - [Get a free NHS test to check if you have coronavirus - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#) or phone 119.

If you do not have symptoms, you may be able to have a test at one of the sites currently being set up across the country - the Government guidance note on this can be found here : [Get a test for coronavirus \(COVID-19\) if you do not have symptoms - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

This document also contains information on the **twice-weekly rapid lateral flow tests** being introduced for **children and workers at primary and secondary schools**.

If desired, you can arrange for a test with a private provider for which you would expect to pay. Government guidance on this including a list of providers can be found here: - [List of providers: general testing - GOV.UK \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](#)

BURY PARISH COUNCIL

ROAD CLOSURES – 10th and 11th March

We have received notification of the following local road closures for pothole repairs. Parking on these roads will also be prohibited but emergency vehicle access, residential and pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

Wednesday 10th March from 9.30am to 3.00pm

- West Burton Road, West Burton - from the junction with Back Lane to the junction with Hadworth Lane.

Thursday 11th March from 9.30am to 3.00pm

- Blue Doors Road, Bury from the junction with Bignor Park Road to the junction with West Burton Road.
- Waters Lane, Bury from the junction with Blue Doors Road to the junction with Bury Gate
- Middle Road, West Burton from the junction with West Burton Road to the junction with Back Lane

BPC ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING SUB COMMITTEE MEETING

This online meeting via Zoom will be held on Monday 8th March 2021 at 6.00pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend the 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. The agenda for the meeting, together with details of how to contact the clerk should you wish to attend can be found here: -

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#inbox/WhctKJWQhmDGHssnZISvvRzQRSsjhHwwNFGtgCQSxNLJTxmKVGHKMhrXVklGdzJJmVcrNDV?projector=1&messagePartId=0.1>

Please note that the draft minutes of the online Extraordinary Meeting of Bury Parish Council held on Wednesday 17th February 2021 have now been posted on the BPC website.

CHICHESTER DISTRICT COUNCIL

CDC are currently working on their **Local Plan Review** which sets out their vision for a wide variety of topics vital to the well-being and future of the district and those who reside therein as well as those who visit and use the many facilities the district has to offer. The plan covers those areas of Chichester district that do not fall within the South Downs National Park and as such is not of direct relevance to Bury (the SDNPA produce their own separate plan for the National Park) but is nonetheless likely to be of interest to most of our parishioners.

CDC have recently issued the first of a series of Newsletter reporting on the progress of the plan which can be viewed here: -

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#inbox/WhctKJWQgltPjZqVRRpdkcjspnWgrHmWBVrnWghNwBZXqwmKfrDnVcGmxMJSKDLGJvrVV>

WEST SUSSEX LIBRARY SERVICE

Although libraries are not scheduled to re-open until 12th April under Step 2 of the Government's roadmap, books can be ordered and then collected from the library door and their websites contain a host of information and interest. In addition, if you feel safer staying at home or are unable to get to the library, they now offer an Essential Delivery Service and may be able to deliver your items to you. For further details please see here: -

[All the latest news from West Sussex Libraries \(govdelivery.com\)](https://www.govdelivery.com)

Keep well and stay safe and if you need help with shopping or prescriptions 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

To visit the Bury Parish Council website please see www.buryparishcouncil.org.uk

Best wishes
Bury Parish Council