

Coronavirus Outbreak – Some local information 8

Hi everyone. It is clear that Coronavirus has not gone away, and we need to continue to help control the virus to save lives. Although there are some changes to government guidance, the lockdown is still in force across the UK and the advice continues to be to stay at home as much as possible. In Old Dalby and Queensway do stay alert and maintain social distancing. There is still lots we can all do. Keep a daily eye on neighbours, please continue to ring members of our community, and do not be afraid to ask for help. NHS services are still operating both online, over the phone and in some cases in person. If you or a member of your family are unwell it is important that you don't delay seeking treatment and if you have a child due a routine vaccination take advice. Unfortunately we continue to receive daily reports of criminals who seek to take advantage of the current situation. Be on your guard particularly against computer scams. As we move forward Information Sheets will become less frequent but the need to help others and be vigilant will be with us for a very long time. Thank you for all you do to help.

• Prayer Requests

Jamie our vicar has now been given permission to enter the church. He will be doing this around 9.00am on a regular basis on occasions each week to pray, particularly for our community. So if you have any prayer concerns please email him with details (revjamiemackay@btinternet.com) or alternatively leave requests in the box which is by the gate leading up to the church. Before praying he hopes to single chime one of the church bells but as a novice at this his efforts come with a warning that he might not succeed.

• Food to your Door

We continue to hear of sources of food with contactless deliveries. Melton's **Samosa Wallah** is offering a delivery service any day but free on Friday evenings in Old Dalby and Queensway. Lamb, chicken and vegetable samosas are on the menu. Orders can be placed by ringing 07921 291711.

The **Crown** is still selling a range of food boxes, meat and veg. They can be delivered free to vulnerable individuals in Old Dalby and Queensway. See details and their full range on the Old Dalby Village web site.

• Old Dalby Poor's Close Trust

The Old Dalby Poor's Close Trust is a charity which allows the trustees to give small amounts of financial help to any resident of the Parish of Old Dalby. This is normally distributed annually in December, but in the current situation, there may be people in financial difficulties now. If you know of such a person, please contact John Bairstow on 822316.

• Children's Challenge

Do you have bored children at home ? Leicestershire Police's traffic management department is running a design competition for young people across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland in four age categories as follows: Under 7 years, 7-10 years, 11-13 years, 14-16 years. There are prize vouchers to be won in each category. 1st prize with the value of £50, 2nd £30, 3rd £25. See attached poster for further details.

• Bits and Bobs

Bits and Bobs will be circulated again towards the end of this week. You should receive an Email copy direct but do you know of anyone who is missing out ? If so it means we have not got their Email address. Do ask their permission before passing this on.

• Old Dalby Web Sites

Recent information sheets, advice from Melton Borough Council and the Police, lists of local sources of food, and a link to our Facebook page can all be found by going to the Old Dalby (<http://www.old-dalby.org.uk/>) or Village Hall Websites (www.odvh.co.uk/)

• Recycling and Household Waste Sites.

The Lake Terrace site in Melton will reopen again on Monday 18th May but advice from Leicestershire County Council states 'you should only go to the site if your waste cannot be stored at home without causing a risk of injury, health or harm to you or other members of your household.' You must book an appointment if you need to visit this site.

• Prescriptions

If you are vulnerable, shielding, or self isolating there is no need to go to Long Clawson to collect your prescriptions. We still have a team of signed up medication delivery volunteers who are working alongside the normal Long Clawson delivery service. Our nominated delivery day is Tuesday so where possible please place your orders a few days earlier and remember if you do not have an online account the volunteers are happy to

take paper repeat prescriptions in to the practice. To arrange collection or make an enquiry call Katie 07393 869952.

- **Garden Supplies.**

A number of Garden Centres are now open and others are offering home deliveries. If you do need to visit check details before setting out.

- **Cyber Fraud**

The Government has published the following checklist to help people protect themselves against cyber fraud.

- Take a breath – a moment – before you part with money or personal information.
- Ensure you are using the latest software apps and operating systems on your phones, tablets and laptops and update them regularly.
- If you get an unexpected or suspicious Email or text message, don't click on the attachment or message. Don't be afraid to challenge messages and messengers. It's okay to refuse or ignore requests for your money or details if you are suspicious. Only criminals will try to rush or panic you.
- The police and banks will never ask you to withdraw money or transfer it to a different account. Neither will they ask you to reveal your full banking password or PIN.

As always if you need help, or know of anyone needing help, please contact one of the coordinators listed below.

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