Coronavirus - Covid-19

Latest News

West Wycombe Parish Council is currently waiting for the government to update legislation and advise us as to how we can function over the coming months.

At the moment, West Wycombe Village Stores (01494 526439) have offered to deliver items to isolated residents. Nik Coles at Tudor House butchers (tel: 04194 526880) will endeavour to get an order to you and West Wycombe Village Facebook page has developed a group called: WW Help Our Neighbours: https://www.facebook.com/groups/507345943280074/

Individual cul de sacs and roads are setting up their own contact systems.

If you are isolated and need advice please do not hesitate to contact: Sharon Henson, <u>Clerk to the Parish Council</u> or 01494 448048 and I will try to help. I may well be socially isolated but I will do what I can to help.

At this worrying time please be aware of your neighbours who may need help and support and remember a phone call or a card or note through the door can make all the difference to someone who is feeling very scared and lonely.

This document details the priority workers.

23/03/2020

The Pedestal Playing Field is now closed until further notice. Government issue <u>Full Guidelines on staying at home and away from others</u>

26/03/2020

<u>Update from Buckinghamshire Council on changes to services</u> <u>Video message from the Chief Constable</u>

30/03/2020

Today it was announced that only Black Refuse Bins would be collected until further notice which means that brown bins now joins blue and green bins in being temporarily suspended. You should, for the time being, place any food that you cannot compost yourself, into the Black Bin.

31/03/2020

Refuse collection is getting very confusing and seems to be changing by the hour. Latest is that recycling is now back on but that food waste should be emptied from your brown bin into the black bin. In view of the recent confusion we will not be updating refuse collection information but ask you to check directly at

https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/coronavirus/service-changes/ for all service related issues.

08/04/2020

Apply direct to Buckinghamshire Council for Coronavirus Business Support Grant

14/04/2020

Everything you need to know can be found on the <u>Buckinghamshire Council Website</u>. This is a comprehensive page which should be your first port of call for information and advice.

20/04/2020

The Government have updated the situation with regard to Cemeteries and Burial Grounds. These are now open for visitors but social distancing must be observed.

30/04/2020

West Wycombe Parish Council are now conforming to the government legislation in relation to COVID19. Our April and May meetings are cancelled but it is our intention to hold a virtual meeting in June. We have been alllowed to re-open the burial ground but the play equipment at the Pedestal Playing Field is still 'closed'. Buckinghamshire Council has given us permission for the grass verges, that we are responsible for, to be cut and kept neat as they are considered necessary for the safety of pedestrians and road users.

04/05/2020

Coronavirus mobile testing site to run in High Wycombe this week.

A coronavirus mobile testing site will be running from the High Wycombe Park and Ride at Handy Cross for up to three days this week – starting Tuesday, 5 May.

...more details

05/05/2020

Five Bucks household recycling centres set to reopen.

From Wednesday 6 May, the Amersham, Aston Clinton, Buckingham, Beaconsfield and High Wycombe sites will open seven days a week, 9am-6pm - the usual summer opening hours. The other four sites will remain closed for the foreseeable future. To stay within the government's coronavirus guidelines on essential travel, however, it is important that journeys to these sites during lockdown are only made if waste cannot be stored for longer at home without causing risk to health or safety.

...read the instructions carefully

01/06/2020

More coronavirus mobile testing sites will be coming to High Wycombe and Amersham this week

The first will be up and running in High Wycombe for up to three days from Tuesday, 2 June and another will be operating from Amersham for up to two days from Friday, 5 June. These are the third mobile sites to come to both High Wycombe and Amersham in recent weeks and follow others in Buckingham and Aylesbury last month.

They are in addition to other local and regional coronavirus testing sites, which are still available for residents in Buckinghamshire to use.

Anyone aged 5 years and over who has coronavirus symptoms (a high temperature; a new, continuous cough; a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste) is now eligible to be tested.

However, tests for essential workers, such as frontline healthcare staff, are being prioritised over tests for the wider public at this time. Children under 5 who have symptoms and live in the same household as an essential worker are also now eligible for testing.

To arrange a test, go to www.gov.uk/coronavirus and click on the appropriate link for you within the 'testing' section of information. The booking process is slightly different for members of the public to that for essential workers.

Tests must be booked and are not available on a 'drop-in' basis. You can also book a test at a different site via the website. Further details of the testing sites will be provided to people when they book their test.

If the mobile testing sites are fully booked then you will be offered testing at the next-closest location.

10/06/2020

Another coronavirus mobile testing site will be up and running in High Wycombe later this week.

It will operate for up to three days from Thursday, 11 June.

This will be the fourth to come to High Wycombe, and follows others in Amersham, Aylesbury and Buckingham in recent weeks.

Other local and regional coronavirus testing sites are also available for residents in Buckinghamshire to use.

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You can find out more about getting tested as a member of the <u>public with symptoms here</u> - <u>https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-for-coronavirus/ask-for-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/</u>

And you can find out more about getting tested as an <u>essential worker here</u> - <u>https://www.gov.uk/apply-coronavirus-test-essential-workers</u>