

# WOODCHURCH COMMUNITY SUPPORT NETWORK



**SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY IN THESE CHALLENGING TIMES**

Coordinated through Woodchurch HUB

**\*\* This week's village updates as at 25 MAY 2020 \*\***

**Spring Bank Holiday Monday**

## **Pandemic Central Support in Woodchurch – Woodchurch Working Together...**

We are here to co-ordinate help for anyone in the village – please call us 01233 801 789.

### ***Staying apart and staying in touch***

**Are you confident that all your friends around our village are aware of the support available through the Support Hotline?**

- Calls or emails to the Village Central Support Hotline will be picked up by our village Hotline Helpdesk Team who will then coordinate with one of our volunteers to support and complete the task.

### **Isn't it great that we've got villagers using their skills ...**

- We are aware of at least one of our villagers who registered as a national NHS-111 support line volunteer and has now also joined the national "Track and Trace" team in preparation for the government's forthcoming mobile app roll out. Additionally, this villager keeps the village public toilet open for key workers by sanitising it several times a day!

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/participation/get-involved/volunteering/>

- Facemasks – Annabel, one of our village teenagers, is keen to co-ordinate the making and distribution of facemasks within the village.

**If you have** donations of sewing materials please post them through the HUB letterbox.

**If you would be interested** in making or receiving a facemask please email [Community@Woodchurchhub.uk](mailto:Community@Woodchurchhub.uk) or call 01233 861 381.



***Do let us know in what ways you may have been helping as it might inspire others!***


**Foodbank** - thank you for the many food donations. It's great that Ashford Borough Council has now provided the village with easy to open items which it has asked the village to trial and provide feedback on.

If you **have any** food donations please drop them off to these collection points: 132A Front Road (by gate) or 62 Lower Road (by front door) or 17 The Green (by front door).

If you **are in need** of foodbank donations please call the Central Support Helpline 01233 801789 or Ann Tiplady (Church Warden) 01233 861363 or Richard Carley (Popin Centre) 07798 566849.

Remember to follow us Woodchurch Hub on     
or visit [www.woodchurchhub.uk](http://www.woodchurchhub.uk) for ongoing updates and information


## How Woodchurch & our village groups are adapting at this time...

**Woodchurch Village Life Museum**  - Although we do not yet know when the Museum will be able to open, a lot of work is going on there to get it prepared. Volunteers are creating a pleasant seating area at the rear of the museum so that visitors can enjoy refreshments whilst visiting the Museum.



The seeded lawn has been growing well over winter and is starting to look great! We look forward to welcoming you to the Museum soon but in the meantime virtual tours are posted on our [Facebook group](#).



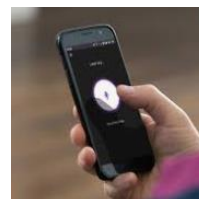
**The HUB**  remains “open”. Although the doors remain closed, the HUB is still open if you are looking for information or you need printing, photocopying or laminating services. Simply call 01233 861 381 or email [enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk](mailto:enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk) if you need help. For printing, copying or laminating we will arrange a time for you to bring it to the HUB and we will either do it for you while you wait or drop it off to you when it is ready.

### Sharing a few smiles

- ☺ One of our villagers was very pleased to pick up a bread making book on ‘Tainment Thursdays to go with their new breadmaker!
- ☺ Great news – the Fish & Chip van is back in the Memorial Hall car park on Wednesdays 4:30 – 7:30 pm!
- ☺ Good to see more businesses getting back to a new ‘normal’ way of working.

### Do you know anyone that would appreciate a regular friendly call?

We are very aware as time goes by that this is something that more people may benefit from. We have volunteers eager and keen to chat! We are all here for each other.



**Please help us to continue to spread the word – 01233 801 789**

### Keylinks from previous updates

Walks <https://www.woodchurchhub.uk/woodchurch-community/walks-around-woodchurch/>

Finance <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/if-you-cant-pay-your-bills-because-of-coronavirus/>

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/social-care-and-health/care-and-support/benefits/home-essentials-in-a-crisis#tab-4>

Facemasks <https://www.google.co.uk/amp/s/www.bbc.co.uk/news/amp/uk-52609777>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/how-to-wear-and-make-a-cloth-face-covering/how-to-wear-and-make-a-cloth-face-covering>

Wellbeing:

<https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/>

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/social-care-and-health/health/release-the-pressure>

[www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com) is for 10-16 year olds, ‘We are With You’ 03000 120012

[www.connectingashfordrural.co.uk](http://www.connectingashfordrural.co.uk)

<https://www.forumhealthcentre.nhs.uk/your-health/moodzone-stress-anxiety-and-depression>



Credit to Artist Kerry @ [Paperjoy.co.uk](https://paperjoy.co.uk) for allowing us to share "Never Alone"



## PANDEMIC CENTRAL SUPPORT

**01233 801 789** (please ensure to use dialing code)

[Support@woodchurchhub.uk](mailto:Support@woodchurchhub.uk)

[www.woodchurchhub.uk](http://www.woodchurchhub.uk)

If you **need help** please call our team of village volunteers who are happy to help. The idea is to match volunteers with people in need but this is not designed to replace any family & neighbour help, social care or NHS services that you may require.

If you **can help** please fill in the online form on [www.woodchurchhub.uk](http://www.woodchurchhub.uk) or call 01233 861381.

**Stay at home if you have a fever or new persistent cough, and follow the latest government guidelines on [www.111.nhs.uk/covid-19](http://www.111.nhs.uk/covid-19) or ring 111.**

### **DO NOT ATTEND THE GP SURGERY**

#### **Recap on previous updates:**

**Pandemic Central Support** - Support at this time is being coordinated nationally and this link illustrates how we are working together <https://www.woodchurchhub.uk/woodchurch-community/pandemic-home/>

**Woodchurch Surgery is not closed, rather their doors are locked** [www.woodchurchsurgery.co.uk](http://www.woodchurchsurgery.co.uk).  
01233 860 236

**Church** – [www.bhhw.org.uk](http://www.bhhw.org.uk). Contact: Ann Tiplady (Church Warden) 01233 861 363

### **Summary of Government guidelines as at 12.5.20**



Source: UK Prime Minister 12.5.20

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do>  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/coronavirus-guidance-on-access-to-green-spaces>

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