

WOODCHURCH COMMUNITY SUPPORT NETWORK



SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY IN THESE CHALLENGING TIMES

Coordinated through Woodchurch HUB

**** This week's village updates as at 6 July 2020 ****

FINAL Weekly Pandemic Update

Pandemic Central Support (now called Woodchurch HUB Helpline) in Woodchurch – Woodchurch Working Together...

We are here to co-ordinate help for anyone in the village – please call us 01233 861 381*.

- Calls or emails to the Woodchurch HUB Helpline will continue to be picked and co-ordinated with one of our volunteers to support and complete the task.
- Just to remind you we are still here to help.
 - * Calls made to the original Pandemic Support Line number (01233 801789) will automatically be forwarded on to the main HUB number.

The HUB: What's staying - What's evolving


With more businesses and places now opening and in conjunction with the results of the recent Village Residents Survey we are pleased to share with you some evolving changes in the HUB offerings:

- **Woodchurch HUB Helpline and Pandemic Support Hotline** have been merged and will provide ongoing help and assistance to those who need it within the village. The HUB Helpline will continue to provide assistance with shopping, a friendly call, posting mail, urgent supplies etc. for those who are continuing to shield, as well as other general ad-hoc queries and requests.
Call the **Woodchurch HUB Helpline** on 01233 861 381 or by email to enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk or support@woodchurchhub.uk
- **Monthly Village Newsletters** will resume at the end of July – subject to confirmation from our printer. You will continue to receive these based upon your previous Newsletter delivery preference (e.g. electronically or hardcopy through door). If you wish to update the way you receive the Newsletter please follow this link <https://www.woodchurchhub.uk/the-hub/newsletters/>
 - *As a result of the above this will be the final Weekly Pandemic Update as we transition to a new normal.*
- **The HUB building** anticipate being able to open its doors on 20 July in line with government guidelines (mornings only to begin with). Up to date information regarding the opening, including opening hours, will be found on the HUB door; [HUB website](#) and [Woodchurch HUB Facebook](#). Until the physical opening of the HUB please phone 01233 861 381 if you need support with general queries; bus timetables; photocopying; printing; scanning; and laminating.

Remember to follow us Woodchurch Hub on   
or visit www.woodchurchhub.uk for ongoing updates and information

- **Pandemic Support Volunteers** – a very BIG THANK YOU to all the village pandemic volunteers who offered their help to support the community during this time.
 - *The HUB will be in contact with thanks and ongoing support suggestions.*
- **Village Residents Survey** – a thank you to all those who responded to our recent survey! The insights are now helping us to shape our future and to those who indicated they would be able to offer support we will be in contact soon.


Help us to share Community News

If you have information that you think would be of interest to others in the community and/or relevant for future newsletters please email through to enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk or add to [Woodchurch HUB Facebook](#). 

Woodchurch HUB Community Calendar


- A call out to all Clubs & Societies – as you start to arrange and plan village activities or events please remember to forward the details to community@woodchurchhub.uk for inclusion in the Woodchurch HUB Community Calendar.
- A call out to all in Woodchurch – we invite you to look at the HUB Community Calendar to see the growing number of activities taking place in our village and hopefully you can join in or set up your own events! <https://www.woodchurchhub.uk/community-calendar/>
- Events – if you are not a Club or Society but are planning an event or events that are open to the village please ensure to let us know in order that we can help publicise and add to the HUB Community Calendar for higher visibility.

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

[Woodchurch in Bloom](#)  are proud to introduce our newly named village caterpillar ... **Hope**. Thank you to all of the school children from Woodchurch CEP who forwarded the names and to all those who voted on our final name.

Hope continues to grow in painted pebbles towards our target of the school gates but we still have a way to go so please keep painting and adding your pebbles!



At the end of summer **Hope**, the caterpillar, will transform into **Hope**, the butterfly, and be a permanent memory of the summer of 2020 and the love and kindness demonstrated by our village. Please join us on [Woodchurch in Bloom](#)  to follow **Hope**'s story and transformation.

A sad farewell to the Woodchurch Wagon

The current pandemic has prevented us from using the Woodchurch Wagon over the past three months, and it would appear that this situation will not change for some time. As a result of this, with all of their additional pandemic related costs, Ashford Borough Council have had to take the difficult decision to withdraw funding from the community minibus project at this time. The Wagon will therefore be returned and will no longer be available for use by the village. ABC will continue to review available funding and it is hoped that projects like the community transport could resume when the situation becomes more favourable.



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Sharing a few smiles

- ☺ Exercise equipment and Children's play area on the Green was opened over the weekend (in line with government guidelines). Please ensure to take your own hand sanitiser and take every necessary distancing precaution.
- ☺ Good to see the Bonny Cravat opening its doors over the weekend.
- ☺ 18 July (10am-5pm) – Woodchurch Great 'Garage' Sale - A wonderful opportunity to put out a table - or a few - and sell all those 'treasures' you've been sorting in the past few months. All welcome - sellers and buyers - to tour the village streets on this day. If you live in a no through road eg Kirkwood Ave, Rectory Close, Brattle etc please make sure that there is a sign at the entrance to your road. **No cost to anyone - the profits are yours!** OPTIONAL:- If you wish to be a red dot on a map send your address to community@woodchurchhub.uk by Wednesday 14 July.
- ☺ So lovely to see Wildflowers growing in village gardens



HM Government **NHS**

From Monday 6 July, people who have been shielding who live alone or in a single parent household can form a 'support bubble' with another household.



STAY ALERT › CONTROL THE VIRUS › SAVE LIVES

HM Government **NHS**

In England from 4 July, where it's not possible to stay 2 metres apart keep a distance of 1 metre + precautions



1 metre

+

Precautions such as

- Wearing a face covering
- Keeping interactions brief
- Following the COVID-19 Secure guidelines wherever you are

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HM Government **NHS**

Coronavirus
Guidance **for** the clinically extremely vulnerable



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From 1 August you can visit shops and places of worship



HM Government **NHS**

2 metres



6 people

Outdoors

WOODCHURCH HUB HELPLINE

01233 861 381

Enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk or Support@woodchurchhub.uk
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.

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 or ring 111.

DO NOT ATTEND THE GP SURGERY

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Woodchurch Surgery is not closed, rather their doors are locked www.woodchurchsurgery.co.uk. 01233 860 236— if you are invited into the surgery for a consultation please ensure you wear a face covering/mask.

All Saints Church – www.bhhw.org.uk. Open daily from 8 am to 3 pm for private prayer only. Limited Foodbank items are available back in the Church. Contact: Ann Tiplady (Church Warden) 01233 861 363. All Saints Church appeal <https://www.woodchurchhub.uk/all-saints-church-appeal/>

Foodbank - If you have any food donations please continue to 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 Woodchurch HUB Helpline 01233 861 381 or Ann Tiplady (Church Warden) 01233.