

## **NOTICEBOARD – February 2021**

**Covid-19 Rollout of Vaccine Programme in Devon** – latest briefing is found <u>here</u>.

**Covid-19 Vaccine Text Scam Alert** – please be aware that we have been alerted to a scam that is now in wider circulation, that starts with a text and advises the user that they are eligible to apply for the vaccine. Click <u>here</u> for more information.

## LOCAL TOWN COUNCIL NOTIFICATIONS

**Census Engagement 21 March 2021** - households across West Devon will soon be asked to take part in this once-in-a-decade survey that gives the most accurate estimate of all the people and households in England and Wales. It will be the first run predominantly online, with households receiving a letter with a unique access code, allowing them to complete the questionnaire on their computers, phones or tablets. Paper copies will still be available for those who need it. For more information, visit <u>census.gov.uk</u>.

**Devon Carbon Plan** – reminder that the Interim Devon Carbon Plan is live and out for public consultation until the 15<sup>th</sup> February. Copies can be obtained by emailing <u>environmentalpolicy@devon.gov.uk</u> or ringing 0345 155 1015.

**Dog Control Article and Dog Bins** – information on the recent consultation on the new Dog Control Article can be found on our website and <u>here</u>. On a general note, please be reminded that dog bins have been positioned at the Green Dragon Pub, Milltown Lane, the playing fields, Kimberlands and Station Road for your convenience and are emptied fortnightly by the Council so please make use of them.

Highways - Potholes and General Highways Update and Flooding Prevention – If you do spot any potholes or other problems on our roads, such as flooding and blocked drains, hazardous or fallen trees, overgrown vegetation, please report them to DCC using the following link.

Local Bus and Community Transport Services – efforts are continuing to provide services during lockdown:-

Stagecoach - full details are available here.

The Travel Devon website will also continue to provide advice to the public, including how to get to vaccination centres and, as and when information is available, the lateral flow testing sites. See Link <u>here</u>. The **Community Transport Sector** is largely continuing its range of services eg: the Ring & Ride schemes – full details here.

**Road Closure Notification Ref: LM213 MB8521717** Kier have applied for a Road Closure to complete SWW Utility works outside Higher East Worth 02/02-08/02/2021. For more information please call 01726 224400.

**Snow Warden and Salt Supply** – salt levels have been topped up in the yellow salt containers situated opposite the primary school, at the corner exiting the village on station road, on Harpers hill by Maggie's Curls and on the Tarpaflex corner and at the Church (Shaun Millership) Yellands Yard, Ladies Toilets, J&J Autos and Lake Farm in case of emergency. If you need any further assistance, please contact Tim Williams on 07770 600047 or 01409 221754.

**Mental Health and Well Being Webinar** - Devon, Somerset & Torbay Trading Standards have been running a project to try and support mental health and wellbeing in the Farming Community and are running their next webinar on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021 at 6pm. You can register for this free event via the link <u>here</u>.

**Parents Childcare Survey 2021** – Devon County Council would like your feedback to their short survey to help the early years and childcare team plan and make sure there is enough childcare for you to work or train. Please click <u>here</u>.

**Proposed Changes to Parking** – West Devon Borough Council has launched a new public consultation on proposed changes to parking charges. It follows on the back of a 2019 consultation, which found that residents wanted more short-stay parking to be available. Have your say before 11 February – click <u>here</u> for more information.

## PARISH NEWS

**British Heart Foundation Donation Banks** – there are two BHF donation banks situated at the entrance to the playing fields. During Covid-19 the emptying of these banks has been suspended. The banks are full and have been closed up, so please refrain from leaving your recycling here until the service is resumed and make use of your normal recycling services.

**Northlew News** - The new quarterly edition will be published in March. Anyone interested in contributing or advertising, should contact editor Celia Miners before the cut off date of 14 February. She can be reached via email at <u>northlewnews@gmail.com</u>.

**Northlew Outreach Post Office** is open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 09.30am – 12pm and is offering magazines as well as some stationery and DIY items.

**Parish Council Meetings** – these monthly meetings will continue in 'virtual' format until further notice with our next meeting being held on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2021. Please consult the <u>website</u> for further information. Agendas for forthcoming meetings are posted on the website the week before the next meeting. Details on how to contact your Borough and County Councillors and Member of Parliament are also found on our website <u>here</u>.

The Square Shop is usually open 10.00am until 4pm Monday to Friday and 10.00 am till noon at the weekend with three bread deliveries a week and welcomes orders for bread, vegetables and meats from local suppliers. Contact: Steve Lofthouse/Tim Williams Email: squareshopnorthlew@outlook.com or Mobile Number: 07533 017938 or at f Square Shop Northlew.

<u>Victory Hall</u>. Please direct any opening and booking enquiries to Jayne O'Connell on 01409 221225.or 07815 418126 or email <u>Jayne.northlew@gmail.com</u>.

If you have any community related news for inclusion on the Noticeboard, please contact <u>clerk@northlewparishcouncil.org.uk</u>. An electronic version of this can also be downloaded from the website.