

NOTICEBOARD – July 2020

CORONAVIRUS LATEST UPDATE

It is good news to see that lockdown restrictions are easing with services listed below gradually beginning to restart. Please refer to the Northlew Parish Council website homepage for information on the latest position – there is a useful <u>links</u> page which will direct you to specific sites being updated regularly.

LOCAL TOWN COUNCIL NOTIFICATIONS

Ageing Without Children - a free seminar from Ageing Well Without Children and Devon Highlights is being held online on Thursday 2nd July from 10:00am-12:30pm – more information and how to register can be found <u>here</u>.

Bus Services - most bus services in Devon will be further restored with effect from Sunday 14th June. This is in response to recent Government announcements and a fresh round of funding direct to bus companies for commercially operated services, plus an anticipated additional grant via local authorities for supported services. Further information can be found here.

Devon Air Ambulance after a phased re-introduction of the service, are now back to full night operation.

Devon Communities Together (DCT) Virtual Coffee Mornings - Devon Highlights is a community project led by DCT which supports people in later life (aged 55+) living in Devon. Every Tuesday they run weekly, hour long, virtual coffee meetings via Zoom for people living in Devon – click here for more information.

Libraries - Phased Re-opening - although **Okehampton Library** is not one of the first few libraries in West Devon libraries to start reopening from w/c 6th July, it is anticipated it will be open in the coming weeks. Click <u>here</u> for further information.

Recycling centres have now reopened with restrictions in place. Check the website for specific centres and Devon County Council guidance <u>here</u>.

RNLI to Increase Lifeguard Cover - Now that lockdown restrictions have eased, the RNLI has rolled out lifeguard patrols on another 22 beaches in the South West. To find out which beaches have RNLI cover, click <u>here</u>.

The Moorlander – the latest electronic copy of this local magazine can be found <u>here</u> which is also now back in print as well.

PARISH NEWS

Dog Bins and Emptying - following an increase in dog fouling around the village, the Council have installed an additional dog bin on Station Road. The bin emptying service is in operation on a fortnightly basis. **Public Space Protection Orders – Dog Control Articles – A Consultation** - West Devon Borough Council want your views in a public consultation about Public Space Protection Orders for dog control in the District – click <u>here</u> for more information.

Green Dragon Pub – opening times for July will be 12-8pm Tuesday to Sunday. The pub itself will be closed but marquees will be put up at the front and back with table service only and contactless payments.

Parish Council Meetings - these monthly meetings will continue in 'virtual' format until further notice with our new meeting being held on 20th July. Please consult the <u>website</u> for further information including details on how you can join these meetings which appear at the top of the agenda. Agendas for forthcoming meetings are posted on the website a week before the next meeting. Notification of any issues for the Council's Attention - a reminder that if there are any issues that parishioners will like to take up with the Parish Council on any matter, do this via email to the clerk please at clerk@northlewparishcouncil.org.uk so they can be formally addressed at the monthly meeting.

Northlew and Ashbury Produce and Craft Show will be held on Saturday 5th September. Further details will be published nearer the time to ensure current Government Guidelines are followed. Hardcopies of the show schedule available from the Square Shop and Victory Hall.

Northlew News - the monthly edition of the <u>Northlew News</u> continues to be suspended. In the meantime, this noticeboard and the website will continue to be updated and if you have anything to add please contact the Clerk. We are seeking a new editor before the end of the year. For further information, please also contact the Clerk.

Northlew Outreach Post Office reopened on 1 June on Monday and Fridays from 09.30am - 12pm and following Government guidelines it will be a 1 in 1 out system.

Northlew Parochial Church Council Donation Request – please click <u>here</u> for more information or on the home page of the website.

Ruby Photographic Competition – there is still time to submit your entry to this competition which is usually run during Hatherleigh Festival but due to the current situation makes it impossible. Organisers would still like to achieve the aim of creating a calendar for next year. This year's subject is '**Photos taken during lockdown and social distancing**'. Selected winners will as usual be used to create a calendar for next year. Please enter by email to <u>charlesdumpleton@yahoo.co.uk</u> or by post to Hatherleigh Visitor Information Centre, 15 Market Street, Hatherleigh EX20 3JN. Deadline 10th August.

The Playground and Public Lavatories – arrangements are currently being made to reopen both within the next few weeks.

The Square Shop in Northlew continues to remain open and support the community during the coronavirus epidemic. The opening hours are 10.00 am till 1.00 Monday to Saturday and 10.00 am till noon on Sundays. Contact: Steve Lofthouse/Tim Williams Email: squareshopnorthlew@outlook.com or Mobile Number: 07533 017938. Market Day is also becoming a regular Friday event (weather dependent) when local suppliers set up their stalls in front of the shop.

<u>Victory Hall</u> are preparing to open once the Government approvals are in hand. Please direct any booking enquiries to Jayne O'Connell on 01409 221225.or 07815 418126.

If you have any community related news for inclusion on the Noticeboard, please contact <u>clerk@northlewparishcouncil.org.uk</u>.