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Home But Not Alone

Suffolk County Council's community service is continuing to support people who need help during the COVID-19 pandemic, including collecting food & supplies, and prescriptions.

'Home But Not Alone' helps to connect people who want to volunteer in their communities with neighbours who are most in need.

If you are in genuine need of help call **0800 876 6926**

This is a freephone number and will be staffed from 9am to 5pm, seven days a week.

If you can volunteer, please register on the **Tribe Volunteer app** from Apple App Store or Google Play Store

The Home, But Not Alone service was created by partners from Suffolk's councils, police, health bodies and charitable organisations which come together as the Collaborative Communities Board.
<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/council-news/show/home-but-not-alone>

MUTFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The second 'virtual' meeting of Mutford Parish Council took place via Zoom on Monday 1st June. The next virtual meeting will take place on Monday 6th July at 7.30pm. For more details please go to <http://mutford.suffolk.cloud/>

or contact John Armstrong, Parish Clerk:
01502 476418 jamutfordpc@btinternet.com

Annual Parish Meeting

The Parish Council is currently reviewing if and when this meeting can take place.

STAY ALERT ▶ **CONTROL THE VIRUS** ▶ **SAVE LIVES**

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

Keep informed of the latest advice and guidance on the coronavirus crisis.

NHS

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Government response

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

If you are unable to access these sites for any reason, please ask a family member, friend or neighbour to find out the information for you.

NHS Test and Trace

A new Test and Trace scheme was launched on 28th May. If you have symptoms of coronavirus you should ask for a test. You will be contacted by the NHS Test and Trace service if you test positive.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works>



Please clean up!

Please remember to clean up after your dog, and dispose of the bag responsibly. This should happen whether you are walking along the pavement, in the

playing field behind the Village Hall or in the fields around the village.

Other walkers do not want to walk into your dog's doings!

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Applications within the parish of Mutford

Info. correct as of 29th May 2020

Full details of all East Suffolk Council (ESC)

planning applications:

<http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/publicaccess/>

CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- First floor side extension creating an additional bedroom with a car port underneath.
Spring Cottage 4 Hulver Road Mutford
Beccles Suffolk NR34 7UW
ESC status: Awaiting decision
- Timber frame two storey rear extension. Addition of bifolds and roof. Re-paint property black.
Meadowview Hulver Road Mutford
Beccles Suffolk NR34 7UW
ESC status: Awaiting decision

CURRENT APPEALS

None

Planning application for site adjoining Mutford

- Use land to give young people and adults with learning disabilities &/or needs / facing barriers, to access services. An opportunity to learn new skills and be involved in countryside activities. Additional hedging, grass reinforced parking, mobility issues caravan/ outdoor camping 4-6 pitches, log cabins for toilets, showers, community activities, educational events- woodland and wildlife walks- wildlife, picnic benches, allotments, replace existing sheds to match existing, new 3.6 by 6.0 metre shed.
Project Gold Crest. Rushmere Road and Chapel Road. Rushmere. Suffolk NR34 8ED
ESC status: Awaiting decision

Did you know...

Planning permission for the third crossing of Lake Lothing in Lowestoft received approval at the end of April.

<https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/news/permission-granted-to-build-lowestofts-third-crossing/>

Don't forget...

You can find previous issues of this newsletter on the parish website

<http://mutford.suffolk.cloud/mutford-newsletter/>

Did you know...

The Vehicle Activated Sign, currently located on Church Road near the crossroads, has recorded a reduced numbers of vehicles travelling through the village during the COVID-19 Lockdown: an average 260 cars per day passed the sign in April compared to 480 per day in February.

But, unfortunately, most people are still travelling TOO FAST:

- Over half of all vehicles exceed the 30 mile an hour speed limit on Hulver Road
- One vehicle passed the sign at 80mph (when the sign was near Newson Avenue)

Please drive carefully (and slowly) through the village. Respect all road users



Stay at Home Street Party

Several residents took part in the Stay at Home Street Party, held on Friday 8th May to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day.



Farmers Market, Ellough old heliport

Next markets:

Saturday 6th and 20th June. 9am – 1pm
One way system, no hot food/café area.

Stay alert

We can all help control the virus if we all stay alert. This means you must:

- stay at home as much as possible
- work from home if you can
- limit contact with other people
- keep your distance if you go out (2 metres apart where possible)
- wash your hands regularly

Do not leave home if you or anyone in your household has symptoms.

The Prime Minister recently announced a slight easing of lockdown. From Monday 1st June...

- Groups of up to six people can meet outdoors in England, including in gardens and other private outdoor spaces, provided strict social distancing guidelines are followed.
- Outdoor retail (for example outdoor markets) will be able to re-open.
- Other non-essential retail shops will be able to re-open from Monday 15th June provided they meet COVID-19 secure guidelines to protect shoppers and workers
- Those people who are 'clinically extremely vulnerable' and have been asked to shield themselves should continue to do so
- You should avoid using public transport where possible.

Go to <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus> for a full set of guidance and support

Did you know...

There are some excellent walking routes on the Waveney Ramblers' website, including 14 walks near Lowestoft, of which 2 pass through Mutford. For more information: waveneyramblers.org.uk/walks/walk_guides/Lowestoft#walks



Do not leave home if you or someone you live with has any of the following:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste

[Check the NHS website if you have symptoms](#)

Community Chain

The Community Chain email alert is now up and running.

If you would like to be kept informed of any changes to the local response to Coronavirus, including any messages from the Police on local issues, please send an email to MutfordNews@gmail.com.

Alternatively, if you do not have an email account, please contact Jenny on 476518 if you would like to be contacted by phone with any updates.

The email updates will not replace this newsletter.

Your email address/ telephone number will be only be used to communicate Community Chain information and will not be shared with any other party for any reason.

Nature corner

Swifts started arriving in Mutford in May, having travelled from Africa where they spend the winter and will return in July/August. They are dark, sooty brown with a pale throat, and have a slightly forked tail but not as much as a swallow's. Swifts have a piercing, screaming call and eat flying insects and airborne spiders.



Crime in Mutford

February 2020 – no crimes reported
March 2020 – 2 x 'Violence and sexual offences'. Mutfordwood Lane
(Data not currently available for April)
<https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/suffolk-constabulary/beccles-and-bungay/?tab=CrimeMap>

Suffolk Police are appealing for witnesses after GPS navigation systems were stolen from three tractors on a farm in Mutford at some point between 8pm Monday 18th May and 8.50am Tuesday 19th May. Anyone with any information about this incident or may have seen anything suspicious during the times given is asked to contact the Police quoting reference number 37/27323/20:

- Website – <http://www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us/existing-report-update>
- Crimestoppers – Contact the independent charity Crimestoppers 100% anonymously on 0800 555 111, or via their online form: www.crimestoppers-uk.org
- Phone – Call 101

Suspension of car park charging ended



East Suffolk Council have announced that they will re-introduce charging in all their car parks from Monday 25th May.

“With more people now travelling, whilst we cannot prevent this, we can at least make decisions which may help East Suffolk’s towns and destinations to manage the number of people who visit, to support ongoing social distancing measures.” (Cllr Norman Brooks, Cabinet Member for Transport)
<https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/news/suspension-of-car-park-charging-to-end/>

Waste Bin collection

Wednesday 3rd June – Blue & Green* bins
Wednesday 10th June – Black bin
Wednesday 17th June – Blue & Green bins
Wednesday 24th June – Black
Wednesday 1st July – Blue & Green

Bins should be out by **6am**

For missed bins call 03330 162000

8.45am-5pm Mon/ Tues/ Wed/ Fridays

9.30am – 5pm Thursdays

* The collection of Green [garden waste] bins will resume in Mutford on Wednesday 3rd June. 'Subscribers will be contacted individually in due course to confirm the new arrangements.'

Bottle banks have re-opened at most of the supermarkets

RECYCLING CENTRE ('Council tip')

The recycling centre in Hadenham Road, Lowestoft NR33 7NF re-opened in mid-May. But – at the time of writing [29th May], you will only be able to take waste to the Recycling Centre if you have booked a designated time slot. This is to reduce the waiting times of visitors and help manage traffic to avoid a dangerous build-up of cars on the roads.

Suffolk Recycling Centres are open from 9am to 5pm every day except Thursdays (open until 7pm) and Wednesdays (closed).

You can book a 15-minute time slot to deposit your waste, which includes 10 minutes to unload your vehicle + 5 minutes to park up and exit the site. Do not arrive more than 5 minutes before the start of your scheduled time slot. You can only make one booking for a Recycling Centre per household per week.

For more info. and to book a slot, go to: <https://www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk/where-to-recycle/recycling-centres/suffolk-recycling-centres-booking-page>

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