

Marston Magna response to Covid-19

A message from the Parish Council:

Although the Parish Council have had what will probably be their last meeting for a while, it is paramount we take a lead in ensuring the older and more vulnerable in the village are given contact points to help them avoid unnecessary social contact. The blue flyer already distributed around the village is an attempt to link people who are self-isolating. This list has since been added to and included below. It is a wonderful thing that so many people want to help, and it shows what a lovely community we have in Marston Magna. Please keep volunteering, and only if you really feel able, as we will be needing you as the crisis develops.

If you need to speak to any of the Parish Councillors, they are: Howard Butterfield: 07770454046 Rex Knott: 01935850886 Kathy Lawrence: 01935851803 Andy Yesson: 07964939972 Peter Griffiths: 01935850647 Fred Monson: 01935476373 Lawrence Hopkins: 01935850949.

Thank you everyone and keep safe and well. Lawrence Hopkins, Chairman

During this global crisis, community is crucial! After the government's advice to social-distance/self-isolate, we have put together a group of people who are willing to be contacted for assistance with shopping, dog walking, collecting prescriptions, posting mail, tech help, and more.

Rachel: 01935851385

Natasha: 07824900184

Flora: 07732328881

Alex: 07580677140

Matt: 07786126686

Julia: 07770827263

Rhiannon: 07793678700

Sarah: 07828699090

Karen: 01935851336

Ann: 07710355969

Kathy: 01935851803

Lucy: 07734997261

Olivia: 07812168744

Matthew: 01935851758

Howard: 07770454046

Sam: 07432021377

Trevor: 07799942773

Christopher: 07789152515

- ❖ Reverend Barbara Stanton would also be pleased to have a chat over the phone: 01935850745.
- ❖ To order free range eggs which can be delivered to you, call Vivien Bateman on 01935851225. £1.10/half dozen, first come first serve!
- ❖ We have had to cancel the Midsummer Fair, but will plan to mark the end of these difficult times with a village event when we can.
- ❖ If you wish to add your name or need an updated list for any help please contact Flora on 07732328881 or email florahgh@hotmail.com
- ❖ For those of you who have Facebook, please join our village page: **Marston Magna Village Hall and Community Page.**

A Rimpton initiative about Covid-19

Several of us in Rimpton are working on a similar initiative to Marston Magna, to increase our accessibility to one another in this time of 'lockdown'. Things are moving fast, and Rimpton residents have already had a flyer outlining ideas. It is vital that we strengthen the bonds of community at a very local level, and be increasingly imaginative in support and care for one another. Physical self-isolation is now necessary, but we human beings find life in belonging together!

People already look out for each other in Rimpton, and there is much neighbourly support. We also have an excellent website and local news email network. But as an extra 'layer' of support, we are working on a 'hard copy' flyer to give names and phone numbers of people who are happy to help with specific tasks.

The tasks may be: shopping, collecting prescriptions, tech help, dog walking, or simply being at the end of a phone for a chat. We don't all need to offer all of these, just ones we feel comfortable with. Other kinds of community support may well emerge as we go along.

If anyone can offer help with any of these, please phone or email Sam 850915 samwoodhouse09@gmail.com or Penny 851641, and say which tasks you are happy to help with.