

RAMSBURY & AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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OCT/NOV 2020 UPDATE PLEASE READ AND KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

We are currently in a Tier 2 high risk area.

**You may not meet indoors with anyone outside your household or bubble
and you may meet with one other person outside**

COVID 19 is still with us and poses a threat to those over 70 and diabetics, heart disease, COPD, asthmatics or on immunosuppressive therapy.

Cases and hospitalisation in Wiltshire are increasing so it is important that you check the village website or social media for information on any changes. (see below)

ADVICE:

Keep 2m apart from anyone not in your household, wash hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser after contact with surfaces outside the home and do not touch your face with hands that may be contaminated. If you have symptoms - sore throat, cough, fever, breathlessness, change to taste or smell, isolate yourself until 7 days after symptoms subside (not from onset of symptoms). Family members should isolate from you and others for 14 days.

BE AWARE THAT SOME PEOPLE CAN BE INFECTIOUS WITH NO SYMPTOMS.

The use of face coverings in shops is mandatory for all but those with a medical exemption and children under 11. The Parish Council has supplied disposable masks to the shops but if you can supply your own face covering please do. You must wear a face covering if you visit the surgery or hospital. Please take disposable masks home and dispose in your household rubbish.

SHOPPING IN THE VILLAGES:

This service is ONLY for those housebound or isolating and is NOT for full grocery shops. If you are isolating because you are in a coronavirus risk group - over 70, diabetic, heart disease, asthmatic, COPD, immunocompromised or because you are ill, Ramsbury Post Office is offering an order and delivery service. Please ring 520229 for details/to order.

It is important that if you think you or a family member has Covid-19 that you notify the Post Office when ordering as the delivery method will take account of this.

Axford residents should ring Ashley de Safrin 01672 519331 who will arrange collection of prescriptions or shopping from Ramsbury Post Office, **again advise if you or a family member has Covid-19.**

The Post Office and Midway Stores are open for shopping by those who are not compromised. Social distancing is observed, and a face covering must be worn. Please use the shops.

PRESCRIPTIONS:

Volunteers can collect prescriptions or do shopping if you are unable to go out. Contact Sheila Glass 520409/07979327505, Penny Willetts 07795199059 or Alison Foale 07724063800 and Ashley de Safrin 519331 in Axford for details. LINK is operating so if you need a lift to an appointment or shopping ring **520111** and we may be able to help.

CONTACT: Some residents do not have access to email or social media. In order to keep in touch with these people we need a telephone number. **If you are in this group and would like to be kept updated, please ring the Parish Council 01672 520045 and leave a message.** As the weather deteriorates during winter those who live alone may feel more isolated. Please

be aware of neighbours and friends. A telephone call or zoom meeting can be a good way of keeping in touch safely and help friends feel less isolated.

MEDICAL HELP:

If you suspect that you have Covid 19 ring 111 and follow their advice. If you have any other symptoms which you feel need medical intervention ring the surgery as usual-do not delay. In an emergency call 999. If you are in a category which is entitled to a flu vaccine it is important that you have one. Please contact the surgery 520366 to arrange an appointment.

FINANCIAL HELP:

It is becoming increasingly obvious that the effects of Covid 19 are going to be far reaching both at local and national levels. Jobs will disappear and isolating or shielding will affect some members of our Community. The Parish Council and Ramsbury Parish Charities have some funding that may be able to give short term help. Call 01672 520045 or email parishcouncil@ramsbury.org **All requests will be dealt with in absolute confidence.**

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8TH:

No parade from the Square .The churchyard will be closed to the public from 10am to noon. A siren will sound at 10.55am and you are asked to honour the silence on your doorstep and RBL asks you to display a poppy on your house or garden. The siren will sound to mark the end of the silence. Wreaths will be laid at the Memorial followed by a short outdoor service including the roll of honour. This will be filmed and can be viewed on the church website in the afternoon. **Please do not gather either in the Square or near the Memorial.**

CHRISTMAS:

Whatever the situation at Christmas there will be no large social gatherings. Please respect any regulations regarding meeting indoors. Covid 19 does not take a day off! The Parish Council are funding Christmas trees in the High Street and the Square and Ramsbury Estates will put them up so we will have a little festive cheer.

CALLING UNDER FIFTIES:

We are looking to update our volunteer group and local warden scheme so that in case of a more complete lockdown we are able to assist vulnerable residents. If you would like to help with this and are not already on our database please send your details to the Parish Council.

POWER OUTAGE:

To prepare for a prolonged power outage keep a torch and spare batteries to hand, an ordinary landline phone (electric network phones don't work), battery radio. Phone 105 to check on the progress of the cut. If you are elderly or ill you can get extra priority support- there are application forms in Ramsbury Post Office.

REGULAR UPDATES AND USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS:

The village website and the Ramsbury Facebook page are regularly updated with news from Wiltshire Council and items that may be useful.

Village website: www.ramsbury.org.uk

Parish Council: 01672 520045 / parishcouncil@ramsbury.org

Ramsbury Surgery: 01672 520366

Post Office: 01672 520229

Link: 01672 520111 **Power cut:** 105

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