

Update from your local Iver Councillors No 3



The new Buckinghamshire Council is now operational:

www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk

<https://twitter.com/@BucksCouncil>

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Please contact us if you have any queries or need support especially in the current uncertain times.

See <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/coronavirus/service-changes/> for any changes in services provided by the new Council

Dear Resident

Local Update

Funding opportunities for charities and voluntary groups who are impacted by the current crisis are being published by Community Impact Bucks on their [COVID-19 webpage for groups](#). There is also the [Coronavirus Funder List](#) which kept updated with details of charity funders. The Clare Foundation is also offering free advice and support to charities and not-for-profit organisations in order to help them become more effective and efficient and in particular help with guidance on how to respond to this crisis. emailing our CEO martin.gallagher@theclarefoundation.org or the Charity Team - at info@theclarefoundation.org.

Parking - most parking restrictions have been lifted. This includes parking on single yellow lines and limited waiting areas. However, please note for safety reasons,

motorists must not park on double yellow lines or zigzag lines (near crossings) Wherever the location, motorists should park sensibly and safely and avoid their vehicles creating any obstruction. Restrictions on disabled parking and on double yellow lines will also remain in force and penalty tickets will continue to be issued for these offences. Parking officers will continue patrolling the main routes, car parks, and residential areas to help deal with any obstructions to support emergency services, key workers, essential food deliveries and residents.

Coronavirus support for clinically extremely vulnerable people If you know anyone who has a medical condition which makes them extremely vulnerable to coronavirus, please encourage them to register for this support. Those in this category should have received a letter from the NHS, GP or hospital about how they can register for this service. However if they have not received this letter or had any contact about this service, please encourage them to contact their GP or clinician. This support will include a weekly delivery of food parcels and help with medical appointments and delivery of medicines as well as phone support. Anyone concerned about a vulnerable person who may need support can contact Buckinghamshire Council by emailing communities@buckinghamshire.gov.uk or telephoning 01296 383204.

Water bills Thames Water have introduced a flexible payment period for anyone struggling to pay their bills. More information on this and how to apply is available at <https://www.thameswater.co.uk/my-account/billing-and-payment/help-paying-your-bill>.

Council tax The Buckinghamshire Council understands the financial impact of coronavirus on our residents and will be supporting working-age residents who already have Council Tax Reduction by initially reducing their council tax bill by up to £150. For other residents who have difficulty making payments other arrangements maybe put in place. For example, it might be easier for some households who pay in ten instalments to pay in twelve smaller instalments. If you are facing financial hardship and need information about how to pay your council tax bill please go to www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/council-tax/help-council-tax-payments

Free school meal vouchers. A national voucher scheme is being put in place for children eligible for free school meals. If they are not attending school, the schools will issue the parents of every eligible child with a weekly shopping voucher worth £15 to spend at supermarkets while schools are closed.

Telephone help and support.

St Peter's Church in Iver has set up a phone line 01753 652078 to provide help and support to the community.

The Ivers Parish Council has set up a hot line 0300 365 4039 with volunteers on hand to help those in our community who cannot get out.

STAY AT HOME – KEEP SAFE