

COVID-19 ANNOUNCEMENT LEOMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

Following the most recent government announcements regarding COVID-19, Leominster Town Council has cancelled all its meetings scheduled in March and April and is seeking to support the local community in tackling the Coronavirus.

The Town Council is working with the Leominster COVID-19 volunteering group, local support organisations and Team Leominster partners to develop a network of volunteers to help look after those affected by the Coronavirus.

What are the needs of those most affected by COVID-19?

- Collection and delivery of essential items such as prescriptions, shopping and other essential supplies
- The delivery of personal care items. These may include cooked meals, toiletries etc
- Transport to urgent appointments
- Communication and support to combat loneliness
- The care of pets, including dog walking
- Help accessing the latest government advice and information on local support services.

What can we do?

- Consider not only what you need to do to keep yourself and your family safe, but also think about the needs of others in your community.
- Register as a volunteer to assist with any of the areas listed above .
- Donate supplies to Leominster Food Bank at their drop off points at Leominster Coop, Leominster Morrisons, and the Leominster Community Centre.
- Support local shops and businesses, where you can.
- Carry out a risk assessment for your staff, family, or anyone that takes care of your family.
- Have a 'plan' in place if you or a family member becomes unwell.
- Above all, consider what you can do to minimise the danger for those who are most at risk from Covid 19.

Where do we go to ask for support or volunteer to help?

To ask for help, or to register as a volunteer, please use the following numbers:

01568 737 940 (8am – 3pm, Monday – Friday)

01568 611 734 (3pm – 6pm, 7 days a week)

Alternatively, please email j.debbage@leominstertowncouncil.gov.uk

If you are phoning on behalf of a neighbour or family member, please ensure that you ask their permission before passing on any personal details.

Remember: Coronavirus is contagious. Please take every effort to ensure that you are not spreading it. Avoid physical contact (the recommended distance is 2 metres) and wash your hands regularly. Items for delivery will be left on the recipient's doorstep.

For up-to-date information on COVID-19, visit <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

For information on symptoms and what to do if you feel unwell, visit

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

Please note: any personal information that you provide via the numbers above will only be used for the purpose of coordinating a community response to the Coronavirus emergency in Leominster and the surrounding areas. Information will be held securely and will only be shared with individuals and organisations involved in coordinating the Coronavirus response. Further information about the Town Council's Data Protection policies can be found on our website at

<https://www.leominstertowncouncil.gov.uk/GDPR.aspx>