



We hope you are well and in good spirit, despite the uncertainty and understandable concerns that we all face because of COVID-19. Please be reassured that we, your Parish Council, are keeping a watchful eye on events.

The best place for local information is the County Council Coronavirus web page [Here2Help](#), where announcements and the most appropriate guidance will be provided on a regular basis. Please be mindful that information spread via social media may be alarmist or incorrect, also that overdosing on social media can affect your mental well-being. <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus> is the official national information website.

We have a lot to be proud of in our Parish; in particular how residents have responded to the current situation; there are a number of local groups being set up on social media where you can either request or offer assistance, leaflets are also available for neighbourhood volunteers to download and put through neighbours' letter boxes so they can contact their neighbourhood volunteer in case of need.

We would like to encourage everyone to be aware of their closest neighbours. If you know of anyone who might be socially distancing themselves, self-isolating, or who is vulnerable, please use the safest method available to reach out to them and ask if they need assistance. We urge everyone to exercise caution and safe practice to minimise transmission risk.

We are conscious that we need to be mindful of safeguarding requirements and encourage residents who are able, to give their time to reach out to those agencies looking for volunteers.

The supermarkets tell us they have plenty of supplies, we are all in this situation together and it is our duty to trust this message. We are fortunate to live in one of the more affluent areas within the city, there may be residents within our community who are not as fortunate – so please, be responsible and consider others before rushing out to bulk-buy goods or take the last toilet roll in Tesco “just in case”.

Please also be conscious that the City's foodbank is running out of supplies – some of our friends and neighbours may (without telling us) be having to rely on the foodbank and their volunteers. Please remember the foodbank, they need regular donations of money, grocery items and time. Their website is <https://worcester.foodbank.org.uk/> and cash donations can be made [online](#).

Our next Parish newsletter will be delivered along with your local free newspaper within the next couple of weeks. This will have your Parish Councillors' contact details which can also be found on the Parish Council [website](#). Although some of us are having to be socially distant or self-isolating, we will do our best to help you.

Keep Safe!

Your Parish Council