

## CARSINGTON AND HOPTON CORONA VIRUS HELP: VILLAGE INFORMATION, 27 MARCH 2020

### **Buddies:**

We are in the process of pairing up people with buddies. If a buddy has been allocated to you will hear from them shortly to see you if need any specific help. Thereafter they will check in with you on a regular basis. If you do not hear from a buddy or would like one, please email [ch.village.help@gmail.com](mailto:ch.village.help@gmail.com) or call Heather on 01629 541994

### **Shopping:**

The aim initially is to provide a village shopping service for essentials only, especially for vulnerable people.

Shopping will be carried out on a **Monday and Thursday**. Libba has kindly volunteered to co-ordinate the shopping for the village. Please contact Libba as follows:

By email [ch.village.help@gmail.com](mailto:ch.village.help@gmail.com) using subject line "Shopping Required"; landline 01629 540724; mobile/text to 07966 252018 confirming your name, address & contact phone number, (preferably mobile) and payment method with your order. Please send your requests through **by 5.00 p.m. on a Sunday or Wednesday** to allow time to prepare the lists for the next day.

Shopping will be left outside your door and you will receive a knock or text to let you know it is delivered. There will be a note inside your shopping with the cost. If you have elected to pay by cash or cheque the shopper will wait for payment

Payment can be made in the following ways. Please try to use BACS or PayPal if possible. If you make payment this way please do so on the same day.

- BACS payment to Mrs E A Jones. Sort code 09 06 40. Account number 14395137
- PayPal to [libba@w3z.co.uk](mailto:libba@w3z.co.uk) putting your name as the reference

If you don't have the facility to do BACS or Paypal. Please put the exact cash or a cheque (made out to Mrs E A Jones) in the envelope your shopper has with them.

### **Errands:**

Errands will be undertaken on Tuesdays and Fridays. Errands might be dropping things at the Post Office, collecting prescriptions, etc. Ruth has kindly volunteered to co-ordinate the errands for the village. Please contact Ruth as follows:

By email at [ch.village.help@gmail.com](mailto:ch.village.help@gmail.com) with the subject line "Errand"; landline 01629 540983 or mobile 07887 750878. Please confirm your name, address and contact phone number, (preferably mobile) with your request.

Please send your requests through **by 5.00 p.m. on a Monday or Thursday evening** to allow time to organise errands for the next day. Whoever is running the errands will contact you in order agree how goods are transferred, being mindful of hygiene guidelines. Monies owing will be advised and can be settled with a cheque (preferred) or cash.

### **Food Hub:**

If you urgently need some food/ingredients you can visit the village food hub in Val's open barn at Swiers Barn (property 29 on the Carsington map). Please make sure you adhere strictly to the hygiene guidance on the fridges and boxes. For those that need it, this is free of charge, but there will be a donation box for those who wish to make a donation. Please use the food hub respectfully. This is for those emergencies we all have and there's no guarantee of what you might find!

### **Food Donations:**

For those of you kindly leaving food donations at the Hub, please leave your donations in the **Food Quarantine** box at the food hub. Please only make donations after 10.00 a.m. and no later than 8.00 p.m. to enable us to leave sufficient time before hygienically transferring these to the food box. For refrigerated goods please place these in the "**donations fridge**". Only take goods from the "**active fridge**". These will be rotated to minimise the risk of transferring germs.

### **Donating Ready Meals and homemade soups:**

With your cooperation, we would like to build up a stock of ready meals and soups in the freezer in the hub. Perhaps you can make an extra meal to donate when cooking your own food.

The following will be available at Libba's to help you do this (Hopton Manor property 19 on the Hopton map):

Food containers, both foil and plastic takeaway type, Soup cartons, Food labels, blank labels and guidance notes. Either collect or contact Libba for delivery. Once you have made your meal please label it and freeze it in your freezer at home for 24 hours. Then take them directly to the hub and transfer it to the freezer there. All ready meals and soups will be available from the Freezer at the HUB either free of charge or with suggested donation of £2 per meal. £1 per soup.