



DISLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Disley Parish Council activities during the Coronavirus crisis

1st May 2020

Disley Parish Council continues to operate during the Coronavirus pandemic, although many of its activities have been restricted due to Government guidelines on social distancing, non-essential travel and working from home.

A list of Council services appears below:

1. Communications

- Telephone – Please phone **01663 762726** and leave a message on the answerphone. It will be picked up.
- Email – admin@disleyparishcouncil.org.uk
- Post – Disley Parish Council, Disley Community Centre, off Buxton Old Road, Disley. SK12 2BB. The mail is being collected regularly.
- eBulletins – Regular email bulletins. Sign up at: [DPC eBulletins](#)
- Website – www.disleyparishcouncil.org.uk is being regularly updated with information.
- Councillors – Individual councillors can be contacted via their contact details on the Council website at: [Parish Councillors](#)

2. Resident enquiries

- The Council continues to respond to resident enquiries and concerns.

3. Parish Council Offices

- The Council Offices at Disley Community Centre will be closed until further notice.

4. Disley Community Centre

- The Community Centre will be closed until further notice
- All activities in the Centre have been cancelled or postponed.
- The premises are being regularly checked for security and maintenance purposes.
- The Caretaker is undertaking deep cleaning and small project work.

5. Parks and Play Areas

- The Parish Council play areas at Arnold Rhodes and Newtown are currently closed.
- The Station Ballcourt and Arnold Rhodes outdoor gym are also closed.
- The playing fields at Arnold Rhodes and Newtown remain open for daily exercise.
- The Council is emptying the bins and maintaining tidiness in these areas.

6. Disley Community Bus

- The Community Bus Scheme is currently “on hold,” as social distancing guidelines preclude the use of the bus for trips, shopping or hire.

7. Allotments

- The three Council allotment sites at Hagg Bank, Springfield and Greystones remain open with plot holders observing National Allotment Society guidelines for use.

8. Parish Council meetings

- All Council meetings and Project Team meetings have been temporarily suspended.
- The Council is looking at options to hold secure, virtual meetings.

9. Planning Applications

- The Council's Planning Committee is communicating by email and telephone and is submitting comments to Cheshire East Council on local planning applications wherever possible.

10. Finances

- Council suppliers are being paid via on-line banking and an internal approval system.
- The internal and external financial audits for 2019/20 are being conducted remotely.
- 2019/20 financial year end tasks are being completed.
- The Council's payroll is being administered remotely.

11. Street Co-ordinator Scheme

- Having set up a Street Co-ordinator Scheme for non-emergency and non-medical assistance to the whole village, the Parish Council continues to provide liaison services between residents, Co-ordinators and relevant third parties.
- Councillors and council staff are offering practical and emotional support directly to vulnerable or isolated residents as part of the Scheme.

12. Village Handyman

The Village Handyman service continues to undertake activities which can be safely carried out within the constraints of social distancing, such as:

- Tree clearance and safety work
- Litter picking and bin emptying.
- Removal of fly tipping.
- Fencing repairs
- Strimming and weed spraying

The Parish Council hopes all residents stay safe and well at this difficult time.