



CLUN DIVISION

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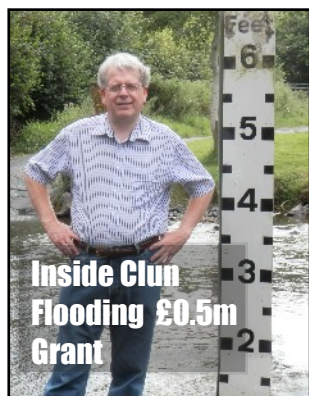
COMMUNITY

GRANTS Last Chance!

Sources in Shropshire Council have told us that a number of their key grant pots for dealing with the Covid Crisis will be closing in the coming week. These include: The Small Business Grant and the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant.

Nigel Hartin said: "The Covid-19 grant schemes are likely to come to an end soon, so if there are any businesses in the area that have a business rates rating, but have not yet applied for the grant, now really is the time for them to get an application in as soon as possible. It's very straightforward to apply!"

Most businesses and organisations running community buildings can apply for one or other of these grants. Apply via <https://shropshire.gov.uk/covid-19-grants>.



Nigel concluded: "These are grants that won't have to be paid back and can be used: to meet lost income; to alter business premises to meet Covid-19 restrictions or to explore a new arm to the business. Even if businesses have remained open through the last 4 months you can still apply."

"The restrictions around Covid 19 will remain for some time so even if your losses are small so far, these could well grow in the coming months and the grant could help you through this period too."

LOCKDOWN UPDATE: For details of new measures introduced by the Chancellor recently, go to: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-53334083>

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ONLY A FEW DAYS LEFT TO VOTE FOR SpArC Grant

The Save the SpArC charity was shortlisted 4 weeks ago to get £5,000 from Calor Community Fund and £2,000 from Crowdfunding to install a simple café.

Now, in the last few days of the voting process, the charity is so grateful to everyone that has supported them so far. Pledges of over £2,375 have been received which, together with the £3,000 donated previously, means we can match-fund the Calor bid.

The challenge now is to get enough points to be short-listed by Calor. Currently ranked 10th but have been as low as 13 and as high as 6. 11 projects will gain £5,000, so it's tense because all projects will be drumming up support.

Please can everyone who supports the café idea now pull out the stops?

Even if you have pledged before, can you click on like, and can you persuade friends and relatives to do the same?

Voters do not need to be SpArC users, or even live in Europe. The only rule is one vote per email address.

To vote go to:

<https://communityfund.calor.co.uk/www.savethesparccom>

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SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL NEWS

Shropshire Council Charges Re-Introduced

Parking charges are set to be reintroduced in Shropshire Council's town centre car parks from 14 July.

The majority of car parks parking will remain free on Sundays and bank holidays. Parking will also remain free in car parks where no charge was previously made such as in Clun.

Charges in all car parks were suspended in March 2020 in response to the coronavirus pandemic,

Shropshire to Continue with Shrewsbury Relief Road

Shropshire Council's Administration this week confirmed that: "Shropshire Council will continue to take forward the North West Relief Road in its current form."

The project will cost an estimated £71 million, £54 million of which has been raised so far.

Shrewsbury Shopping Centres

The value of the Shrewsbury Shopping Centres bought by Shropshire Council a few years ago has been revalued at £17,500,000, compared with £51,000,000 in 2018

COMMUNITY NEWS

Spin bikes arrive at SpArC



18 top-of-the-range brand new spin bikes have been delivered to SpArC ready for when the leisure centre reopens - which everyone hopes will be soon.

Purchased by the Save the SpArC charity in Bishop's Castle from Tenth Avenue Leisure Ltd, the new *Life Fitness IC2 Indoor Cycles with Consoles* were delivered last week. These new bikes will replace the 14 old ones and will help to enhance the experience and capacity of the popular spin classes.

Enterprise South West Shropshire

Village Outreach is back! If you're planning a family event and need a shelter, PA or a few tables and chairs then check out their website

<http://enterprisehouse.org.uk/outreach/>

Advice for Sports Clubs

As Government guidance evolves and restrictions are lifted many sports clubs are hoping to return to playing and training in the not too distant future. To help sports clubs prepare for this Sport England have produced some helpful guidance via the link

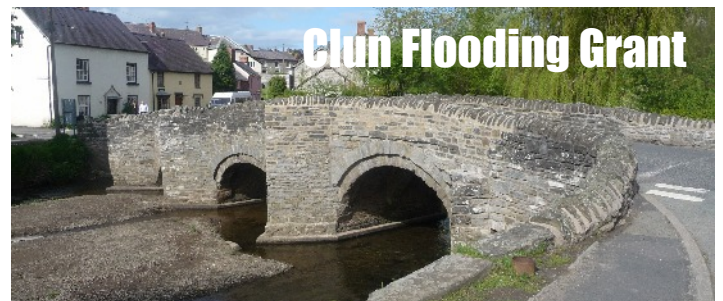
below. <https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/coronavirus/return-play>



Coronavirus Support - Shropshire Council

Working with other local groups and organisations, Shropshire Council has gathered together new information and resources that may be used by individuals or groups and organisations throughout the coronavirus pandemic. See

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/coronavirus/information-for-the-public/>



Clun to get £0.5m in flood funding with work to start in the next few weeks! Welcoming the news, Local Shropshire Councillor Nigel Hartin said; "With all that has passed over the few months the floods of February and March seem a long time ago. I'm really glad that this recurrent problem is being addressed with some serious grant funding. Lets hope these measures are in place before next winter."



Bishops Castle Library to Re-Open

Bishop's Castle Library will be open from 20th July. Library opening hours will be Mon, Tues, Fri 10 am - 2pm. For the first few weeks it will be Ready Reads so although the library won't be physically open to users on the 20th Ready Reads is an interim way of getting hold of books to read or listen to.

To get your Ready Reads complete the online form at <https://bit.ly/3ec9Xoe>. tell the librarians what sort of books you are after and they will put together a selection of books for you and let you know when they will be ready for collection

Bishop's Castle Tennis Club

Since securing a Sport England award earlier this summer the Tennis Club has introduced a 3 month 'Taster' membership.

This has boosted membership numbers and attracted a lot of younger players. New members continue to be welcome. The Club has seen 4 out of 5 of their previous members return. This includes a regular group of ladies (average age 70+!), who play every Wednesday morning. You can now book on-line 'Pay and Play' tennis at £10 per court (up to four people) per hour.

The first series of *Junior and Adult Coaching* restarting on 7th July quickly 'sold out'. The next series commences 11th August. The Club plans to hold a 'Tennis Summer School' for 5 -18 year olds in August. details to follow once confirmed. For more information on all of these opportunities at the Tennis Club please go to:

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/BishopsCastleTennisClub/Membership/Join> or write to:

<mailto:info@bishopscaletennis.org>



← Help

Support →

↑ Guidance

Advice ↓

Returning to School

Following the significant disruption in education due to Covid 19, school attendance will again be compulsory from September 2020.

We are aware this may raise some anxieties or questions - therefore we have implemented a support service for parents, carers and pupils to try to ensure a successful return to school.

Support will be available from:

17th August until 2nd September 2020

Monday to Friday 9am—5pm

For help, support, guidance and advice, contact us:

03456789008



Family Fun

The RSPB has posted a whole range of nature based activities that you can do around your home. For details go to their website:

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/for-families/>

Grants for Communities on the Heart of Wales Line.

The Heart of Wales Line Development Company has decided to set up a one-off grant fund in order to support communities along the line including those in Shropshire.

Before Coronavirus arrived, the Company would have been using the funding to develop partnership projects in local communities, however this year it isn't safe or practical to do so. Instead, they would like to use our resources to directly fund organisations who need support at this challenging time, and in this way develop positive, new relationships with the communities along the line.

This new fund is designed to support the resilience and sustainability of organisations which may have been directly or indirectly impacted by the pandemic. The main criteria is that groups can demonstrate how the funding will help sustain the organisation in the future and keep services going. There does not necessarily need to be a direct link to the pandemic. The group will also need to state what the money will be used for and how this benefits the local community

For more details see: <https://www.pavo.org.uk/help-for-organisations/funding/pavo-grant-schemes/heart-of-wales-line-community-resilience-fund.html>

SHOPS AND SERVICES



Bucknell

Bucknell Stores: AM only Monday - Saturday 09.00 - 12.00 - Tel 01547 530834

Lance Philips Butcher Bucknell: 08.30 - 5.30 Tues & Thurs, 08.30 - 01.00 Weds, 08.30 - 03.30 Sat. Closed Mon.

Greens Garage Bucknell: Mon - Fri 07.30 - 05.30 Sat 07.30 - 05.00 Fuel, newspapers confectionery etc

Bucknell Nurseries: Collection service still available Tel 01547 530606

Clun

Clun Spar Shop & Post Office: Mon - Sat 07.00am - 08.00pm - Sun from 08.00am.

Bright Flowers

Clun Phone orders for fruit, veg, milk, bread and basics to deliver in Clun. Closed Wednesday Call 01588 64054

Proper Good Dairy

Clun Car Park 2-2.30 Mon & Fri Turn up or call 07733 480348

Other

Bikold in Ludlow - **Payments accepted online.** now delivering food in our area. <http://www.bikold.co.uk/> - 01584 877866 bulk supplies ideal for sharing with neighbours.

SOURCES OF HELP ACROSS OUR AREA



BUCKNELL

PRESCRIPTIONS

Mike Starr (01547 530179 or 07577 549896) is the

liaison point for Leintwardine and Knighton surgeries; and Geri Jackson (01547 530137) has taken Clun. **GROCERIES** and **OTHER 'LIFE ISSUES'** (e.g. non-grocery shopping, dogs, etc): Jenny White (01547 530107) has kindly taken on this as a 'signposter' - pointing people in the right direction, making introductions to some of the Younger/FaceBook folks.

CLUN

Call Clun Good Neighbour Scheme on 01588 640016, Chrissie Verduyn 07976 733164, Mary Eminson 640921 Jane Kent 640642 or Joan Kerry 640401 email: clunvgn@gmail.com

Good Neighbours Scheme runs a helpline - 640016 every weekday morning and weekends. Good Neighbours can help with a range of tasks, such as collecting prescriptions, shopping and offering support.

Clun Community Larder Food bank the larder is operational and the administrator can be contacted on 01588 640401 or through the Good Neighbours helpline 01588 640016 at any time.

BETTWS Y CRWYN

Contact Val Whately on Tel: 01547 510681 Mobile: 07970 64493 Also Facebook:

www.facebook.com/groups/649752072494803/

CLUNGUNFORD

Clungunford Parish Council has been organising assistance to affected residents. The Parish Council and the PCC has set up a rota of volunteers to help by getting groceries, collecting prescriptions, dog walking. Contact Jonathan Roberts on 01588 660673: Clungunford House, Clungunford, Craven Arms SY7 0QL and jonathan.roberts@morgoedestates.com

NEWCASTLE ON CLUN

A newsletter has been set up by Cllr Burge which has a email circulation which can be subscribed to via the Parish Council website See www.newcastleparishcouncil.org.uk

Pubs doing takeaway services etc:

Sitwell Arms Bucknell: Evening Takeaway service 4.30pm - 8.30pm Order from the Sitwell on 01547 530213

White Horse Inn, Clun. Doing takeaways from 6 to 9pm. Large menu plus drink. Ring 01588 418149 to order.

Sun Inn Clun also do takeaways 5.30- 9.00pm. Ring 01588 640559

Maltings Cafe in Clun are doing takeaway lunches every day except Wednesday.

Hundred House Inn Boxes £20 – Tues–Sun, varied fruit, veg, bread, eggs, extras on request if available Call 01588 660541

The Crown Inn, Newcastle Boxes £20 Fruit/veg/eggs/ milk/bread etc Order by Wednesday, delivery Saturdays Call 0777 2621344

The Crown Inn, Clunton Boxes £25 – fruit, veg, milk, bread, eggs; can add meat, frozen fish, (fresh if available). Pick up Tues & Fri order by 10am day before. Call 01588 660265