# Ufton News Aug 2020

# What's on in August

- Fri 7 Blue and Green Bin Collection
- Fri 14 Grey Bin Collection
- Fri 21 Blue and Green Bin Collection
- Fri 28 Grey Bin

# Gillian Ingham

Very sadly, Gillian passed away at home on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2020. Gillian was a good friend to the village and was involved in many groups, activities and the Parish Council. A Memorial Service will be held in the future when the current restrictions relating to the gathering of people has been lifted. The Parish Council offers Peter, their sincere condolences. Gillian will be very much missed.

## HS2

Work is due to commence on the Fosse Way, which include closures and traffic lights. HS2 sent a newsletter to all households in Ufton in the last week, entitled "Notice of traffic management to redevelop B4455 Fosse Way in Offchurch. If you have not received one of these newsletters, please contact HS2 Helpdesk team on 08081 434 434.

Closure of Fosse Way, with temporary traffic lights on	3 <sup>rd</sup> August – 11th August
Fosse Way and Long Itchington Road	
Closure on Long Itchington Road	12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> August
Closure on Long Itchington Road	17 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> August
Closure on Fosse Way	20 <sup>th</sup> August – 11 <sup>th</sup> September
Closure on Welsh Road	12 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> September
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Very briefly the work will take place over the period 3<sup>rd</sup> August – 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

# Eat out to help out

There is a Facebook page entitled Eat out to help out, which has nearly 6,000 members. It covers the whole of the country, so particularly useful if you are planning a day out.

# Let's do the right thing for Warwickshire by getting tested



Residents across Warwickshire are being urged to stay vigilant and get tested if they are showing any symptoms of coronavirus after seeing a reduction in the number of people getting tested.

For many, the symptoms of coronavirus may be mild and so it may seem like an inconvenience to get a test, but it's essential, regardless of the level of symptoms that you get

tested if you have a high temperature, a new, continuous cough, or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste. If you have any of these symptoms, or you feel you have put yourself at risk of exposure to Covid-19, you must get a test.

The test is quick and easy, and a crucial tool to help stop the spread of coronavirus. Warwickshire County Council has number of mobile testing units in Warwickshire and it's really easy to book a test. You can attend a drive through or walk-in service or have one delivered to your door.

Talking about the importance of getting tested, Warwickshire County Council's Director of Public Health, Shade Agboola said:

"With the reopening of many businesses in the last few weeks, we have seen more and more people out in communities mixing together. Unfortunately, because of this we are now seeing an increase in cases across the UK, which is a stark reminder that the virus has not gone away.

"Whilst figures continue to remain relatively low in Warwickshire, we are also starting to see a fall in the number of people being tested. This could be down to several factors, but until more is known, we cannot be complacent. So please, let's do the right thing for Warwickshire. Continue to social distance, especially in public places, wear a face covering, unless you are exempt and wash your hands regularly, especially when you return home from outside and if you have symptoms, stay at home and get a test. They may sound like really small things to do, but together those small actions can make a real difference to reduce the spread of the infection and control the virus.

"We are no way near a local lockdown yet, but neither do we want to be, so please take the threat of the virus seriously and play your part. It's not just older people who are impacted by the virus. Our data shows an increase in those in their 30's, 40 and 50's, so no one is immune from the infection. Only by working together can we reduce the spread of covid-19 and help to keep Warwickshire safer."

For more information on staying safe or to book a test visit: <u>https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/information-coronavirus</u>

# Poster campaign asks residents not to "be a tosser"

Warwickshire County Council and partners at the district and borough councils have launched a new campaign in response to a sharp increase in littering in the county's parks and open spaces.

The "don't be a tosser" campaign follows an announcement earlier this month when the council highlighted that there had been a considerable increase in the amount of litter being collected from parks and open spaces every day.

When this was demonstrated to the public several residents asked if the council would consider running a campaign that has been used successfully in New Zealand and elsewhere in the UK. Given the extent of the littering, and the sheer volume of additional waste, the council agreed.

Warwickshire County Councillor Heather Timms, Portfolio Holder for Environment and Heritage & Culture said: "We are fully behind this campaign, and although we appreciate the language used is not in keeping with our usual approach we agree with our colleagues at borough and districts that the issue of littering warrants such a hard-hitting campaign.

Clearing up litter nationally costs taxpayers almost 1 billion pounds per year but more importantly we are still amid a global pandemic and there is a significant increased risk of spreading Covid-19 through littering. This campaign is aimed at telling the litter louts just what the rest of us think: there are no excuses so take it home."

The posters will be put up in local parks and open spaces by community champions and council staff over the next few weeks and will also feature on social media.



## National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC) campaign launched today to warn of the fire risks when using emollients.

Emollient products, which include creams, ointments, sprays and body wash formulations are used by millions of people every day to manage dry itchy or scaly skin conditions such as eczema,

psoriasis and ichthyosis. They may contain paraffin or other ingredients such as shea or cocoa butter, beeswax, lanolin, nut oil or mineral oils, which can leave a flammable residue.

People who use emollients and smoke are at greater risk of setting themselves on fire, due to the flammable residue that may be left on clothes, bandages and bedding. Since 2010 there have 56 deaths confirmed as involving emollient in England. In addition, six of the 44 fire deaths reported in Scotland in 2018/19 involved emollient products.

Talking about the issue, Prevention Lead for Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service, Tim Sargent said: "In Warwickshire, we have attended a number of fatal incidents in the last few years and any advice we can provide to assist in reducing these tragic incidents is welcomed. Emollient's can have huge benefits, but it is important people know about the potential risks associated when using them.

"To prevent life changing and fatal accidents, we want those who use emollients, those who care for people who do, and healthcare professionals to be aware of the potential fire risks involved, so that mitigating action can be taken, such as taking particular care near naked flames, especially smoking materials, cookers and heaters.

"The risk of fire is greater when emollients are applied to large areas of the body or when dressings, clothing and soft furnishings become saturated with emollient which leaves a flammable residue on the fabric, that can then be easily ignited. To reduce the risk, ensure that bedding is washed regularly and that no heat source is left near clothing or bedding and that those using the creams do not smoke in bed."

For more information or advice from the NFCC, visit <u>https://www.nationalfirechiefs.org.uk/News/nfcc-warns-of-fire-risk-when-using-emollients</u>



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Deadline for submissions for September's newsletter is Sunday 23rd August 2020

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### ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS CHURCH, UFTON



We have big news to share with you this month! Following a competitive recruitment process Rev. Andy Batchelor has accepted the post of Priest-in-Charge covering Ufton, Harbury and Ladbroke. Andy is currently Vicar of St Mary the Virgin, Walney Island and Priest-in-Charge of St Johns Barrow Island. He is originally from Warwickshire and had a career in the IT sector before training for ministry. Andy is married to Julie and they have two adult daughters look after two foster children and have two cocker spaniels and a cat! Hobby wise Andy is a lifelong motorcyclist and is interested in computing.

A message from Andy "I am thrilled to be returning to a county I know and love so well, and was so impressed with the people I have met so far in all the parishes and I am so looking forward to working with you and sharing in all that God has in store".

We have yet to arrange a date for his institution service, but we think it is likely to be sometime in September.

#### **Church reopening**

We plan to open the church in September at the earliest as we are still trying to figure out how to do this safely in the context of church guidelines, particularly with the challenge of having no running water in church. Please do let us know in the meantime if you require any pastoral support. Also, if you wish to get in touch regarding funerals, weddings or Baptisms please do so and we can discuss these on a case by case basis.

#### Services and church community

The Diocese of Coventry will stream an online service on each of the five Sunday mornings in August. All the services will start at 10:00 am, and the themes are:

- 2 August Sabbath Rest
- 9 August Embracing Change
- 16 August Building Hope
- 23 August Maintaining Spiritual Fervour
- 30 August Take Heart

## These worship services will be streamed on the Diocese of Coventry Facebook and YouTube pages.

For those wanting to participate in more local worship we can provide details of Deanery-wide worship and Harbury and Ladbroke online service updates. Please get in touch if this is of interest to you by emailing <u>uftonchurch@gmail.com</u> or calling us on 711967.

## And finally,....

As a reminder please email <u>uftonchurch@gmail.com</u> if you would like to be added to the church email list, which we will use if we need to give any updates between newsletters, particularly information on when services resume. If you do not have email but would like to be contacted in such circumstances, please call us and leave your number (details at bottom of sheet).

The PCC have an email address: <u>uftonchurch@gmail.com</u>. Churchwardens Andy & Adelle 711967