



WELCOME TO THE SECOND CORONAVIRUS NEWSLETTER FROM BRIXTON PARISH COUNCIL



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## Brixton Parish Council Coronavirus Newsletter

This newsletter is produced weekly (Friday) by Brixton Parish Council and will be published on the Brixton Parish Council website and Face book pages. Updates in between will be on Face book– Love Brixton Devon, Brixton Village.

This week Brixton Volunteers have continued to come forward to support the Parish Council Community Emergency Plan, responding to the single page form 'Nobody should feel alone'. Some have had to withdraw because of being at risk but all are keen to help their neighbours. Leaders have been asked to look after their small areas of Brixton Parish, organise a phone around in local groups, especially amongst those self-isolating. And if starting to feel seriously unwell or unable to phone, everyone is asked to hang a pillowcase or similar from their letterbox, door, window – to indicate they need help. Group leaders will walk past once a day (while doing their daily exercise!) to look out for signs of distress if not already alerted by daily phone calls.

Spare copies of the 'Nobody should feel alone' form – for both volunteers and those with needs - can be picked up from outside 3 Peartree Cottages, next the Foxhound or downloaded from this website or email [helen.deaswilliams@brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:helen.deaswilliams@brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk) and she'll send you a copy.

A big 'thank you' to Helen and her team for the great work she is leading on for the parish.

### Changes this week include:

**In Brixton village** sadly, The Foxhound has had to stop take away meals for the moment due to Government guidelines – they will resume as soon as allowed. We are greatly supported by Anthony in Speculation post office and shop open 9-12 weekdays only with newspapers and groceries as well as gas and electric keys, Post Office banking services etc. Debbie in the Brixton Fish and Chips has some Cash&Carry groceries for sale during her normal opening hours, and Annie at Just Williams can supply 1kg bags of frozen veg and fruit, phone first to arrange payment and pick up 5-6pm (Debbie and

Annie will be flexible if needed on timing). All are working flat out to keep us going, let's keep them going too.

**Other shopping:** local food delivery suggestions are updated on Facebook regularly. NHS hour 07.00-08.00 at Morrisons for our sterling health service workers; Sainsbury has reserved 08.00-08.30 for golden oldies. Neighbouring Yealmpton Stores and Londis are also stocked and offering excellent service to locals. Keep your distance and pay by card rather than cash to minimise risk.

**Texaco Garage/Petrol station** new hours until further notice – closed on Sundays, open from Mon- Sat 08.00-18.00hrs for the full range of services newspapers, local shopping services, car servicing and MOTs.

**The Brixton Magazine** for April will not be distributed as much of its content would be out of date and the government restrictions prevent a safe delivery of the magazine to all households.

**Yealm Medical Centre and repeat prescriptions** - The National Health Service now restricts all pharmacists to prescriptions of max 28 days supply only. Yealm Medical Centre asks everyone to email prescription no more than two weeks ahead  
e.yealmmedicalcentre@nhs.net - allow about 6 working days to process repeat prescriptions. They are working with the Brixton Emergency team for us to pick up and drop off, email helen.deaswilliams@brixtonparishcouncil.org.uk or phone her 01752 881873 if you would like this service and you will be added to the list.

**Sherford Community** – are supporting each other with a TRUST Larder, putting in and taking out, as they don't have a shop nearby. Helen and her team are liaising closely with them.

**The Brixton Feoffee Trust** has suspended its Community Car Scheme. **Otter Garden Centre** is closed until further notice.

**St. Mary's Church** – the church building is now closed. See St. Mary's Church website for further information.

**Dementia Friendly Parishes around the Yealm** is in telephone contact with all its 40+ families. If you have concerns about a person with dementia or if as a family or a carer you need additional support please contact Maxine on 07450206312. There is also regular update on the Face book page.

**Citizens Advice South Hams - Contact information** - Advice **line:** 03444 111 444 (Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm) **Email:** www.southhamscab.org.uk **Help:** [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk)  
**Letter:** Citizens Advice, Follaton House, Plymouth Road, Totnes TQ9 5NE

#### **Brixton Devon Website**

<https://www.brixtondevon.co.uk/> this website replacing the old Brixton Village website will be available from 1<sup>st</sup> April. There will continue to be some further tweaks during the first few weeks. A regular update on the Coronavirus will be also on this website. The current Brixton Village website will no longer be available after the 31<sup>st</sup> March.

Thank you to everyone for keeping our community going and safe... smile and wave... keep your distance and stay home ... coronavirus relies on us to spread and continue the infection it doesn't do it on its own.