



Opening Times:
Monday – Friday 8am - 6pm.
Saturday 8am - 4pm Sunday 9am - 2pm.

WELCOME TO YOUR NEWSLETTER FOR JULY 2020

Hello!
We hope you are all keeping safe and well.

You may have noticed the facelift that the shop is currently undergoing.
We hope you agree that it is looking rather splendid!
Please bear with us as this progresses, our apologies for any inconvenience.

As the Covid-19 restrictions relax we can now allow 1 bubble in at a time.
(a bubble must contain members of the same household but not exceed 3 individuals)

As of Friday 24th July, it is mandatory to wear a face mask when visiting us.

We held a very successful AMM and we thank the shareholders for their participation.
The Committee members are now as follows: - Terry King – Chair, Wendy Neligan - Vice Chair, Sara Hodsmen – Secretary, Vanessa Hunt – Treasurer, Sue Bond – Shop Manager, Jan Oades, Ian Rothwell, Alison Worth, Michele Isaac and Avice Yeo. We welcome Wendy to the committee. Big thanks go to Keith Oades who has stepped down after being a committee member since the start, also to Jan Oades who has retired from being the Treasurer and Ian Rothwell for his time as Chair and Vice Chair. All three will continue to volunteer.

The shop has received many compliments about our range of stock and how accommodating we are. We have new fridges that offer us the opportunity to stock more of the things you enjoy. If there are items you would like to see please let us know by calling 01271 864264 or by email westdowncshop@btconnect.com

A CALL FOR HELP PLEASE!

Our very own website www.westdowncommunityshop.co.uk is up and running as is our Facebook page but we need an IT mind to keep the info on it updated!
Is this something you can do please?

**WE THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR SUPPORT.
PLEASE, STAY SAFE AND PROTECT THE VILLAGE.**

COMMUNITY NEWS.

Following the opening up of the hospitality and tourism sector two weeks ago, levels of infection and new cases in the South West have continued to remain among the lowest in the country – and South West leaders paid tribute to the businesses which have opened up for playing their part in keeping the area COVID-safe.

We are now entering the crucial time at the start of the summer tourism peak. As more residents take a break with their families, and as further lockdown restrictions are lifted, the onus is on each and every one of us to do our part in helping prevent the spread of the virus, which remains a serious threat to public health.

So, the message in the South West is clear – whether you are visiting, living here or a resident about to go on holiday – stick with us and keep following the guidance to keep everyone safe.

That means continuing to observe social distancing, getting tested if you have symptoms, self-isolating when required to, washing hands regularly, wearing a face covering, and making use of hand sanitiser where it's available.

West Down Parish Hall - The Government permitted community halls to open from July 4th subject to strict regulations designed to make the halls a safe place to meet. Those regulations have now been implemented and the hall is ready for use. However, 2 meter spacing still applies and discs have been stuck to the floor to indicate the spacing. This means that the maximum number of people in the main hall is restricted to 20. There are paper towels in the toilets and hand sanitisers are available. There is a special cleaning program to ensure everything that is touched is cleaned. There is an updated risk assessment and supplementary hiring conditions. At the moment singing and exercise are not permitted but this will probably change soon. Contact our booking clerk, Keith Oades as usual when you wish to book the Hall.

The Crown Inn – is open from Tuesday to Saturday 5pm-10pm Serving food until 9pm and on Sunday 12pm–2pm. Take away available. Booking is essential and all Covid-19 restrictions apply.

West Down Village Green Field - NEWS FLASH! most residents know that the Community Field Trustees were able to keep this facility open during the COVID lockdown, but had to close the Play area, during this time we have been able to refurbish the play area (many thanks to Tony Verney for all of his hard work) I am pleased to confirm that it is now open to all.

Please will all users do so in line with Government Covid guidelines. Community Field Chair.

St Calixtus Church – Is now open. Please go to <http://www.westdown.org.uk/organisations/st-calixtus-church/> for further details, or see the notice board.

Parish Council Meetings – Via Zoom until further notice. Please contact the Clerk or Councillors using the details on the Village Website if you have any issues you wish to discuss.

Illegal Activity - West Down Parish Council has been informed of illegal activity taking place in certain areas of the village, in particular, the Community Field. This is very disturbing and not something that we want happening in our community. The police have been informed and are already aware of aspects of this and would welcome further information. For immediate concerns please dial 999, to provide information use 101 or the Devon and Cornwall Police website. You can also contact Crime stoppers on line or by telephone, on 0800 555111 and they guarantee anonymity.

Mobile Library – Has returned to service the village. Its next visit is 13th August.

Please order your choices by email to Torrington.library@librariesunlimited.org.uk quoting your Borrower Number. Place your returns in the box on the steps of the vehicle and the staff will be exchange them for your requested items.

Dog Waste Bins – we have 4 dog bins in the village, they are located as follows: - by the school, at the Parish Hall, on the green triangle by the Coronation Tree and on West Down Village Green Field. Please use them. Thank you.

The Post Office - your local cash point at the Parish Hall, **face masks must be worn.**

Mondays 1.15pm - 4.15pm, Wednesdays 9.15am - 12.15pm & Fridays 9.15am - 12.15pm.

It has the same services as a regular Post Office including Parcels, Car Tax, Banking and Cash Withdrawal from most banks and Gift Cards with a value of choice usable at most stores.