

## Helping Available During Coronavirus

Your household might be self-isolating in Charminster, Charlton Down or Forston but that doesn't mean help isn't at hand.

If you are unable to leave the house to get food, medicine or other vital goods, kind people in our community have banded together to offer help. This help is being co-ordinated by the Parish Council.

If you need help, first:

- Contact your "street support group" if one has been set up and you have joined it.
- If you have simple food needs Charminster Stores (01305 264312) are doing deliveries around Charminster as normal. Also some local pubs and cafes are offering a takeaway food service. Try these next to support local businesses.
- Then if you are still stuck for food or medical supplies etc call or text the Parish hotline or if you are able to email [clerk@charminster.info](mailto:clerk@charminster.info)

Tel No: 07947 622326

Then Sarah the Parish Clerk, who is acting as 'Volunteer Co-ordinator' will pass your request onto the volunteers who should be able to help you out.

We also have a dedicated group of volunteers in Charlton Down who are able to collate orders for Central Stores (CD Village Shop) that you can pay for over the phone to the shop direct. However, please still use the mobile number 07947 622326 to start this process as the shop are not able to take orders directly due to limited staff.

Please be mindful that volunteers are likely to be juggling other commitments – as well as offering a helping hand.

These are difficult and unprecedented times but together we will get through it.

### Can you help by joining the volunteer list?

Quite a few people in Charminster and Charlton Down have offered to help which is great but it is always good to have plenty of people to share the load.

As we have quite an elderly population in the Parish these people are in the high-risk group.

If you are able and willing to join that volunteer list just send your details to [clerk@charminster.info](mailto:clerk@charminster.info) or phone/text Sarah on 07947 622326.

She'll then add you to a WhatsApp group of Volunteers. Requests will be shared to some/all the volunteers, with people saying "yes I can do that for them". This group will ONLY be used to match Volunteers to priority requests for help.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Charminster Parish Council