

COMMUNITY NEWS

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- **Please contact us if you see or hear of anything that will be of help to other residents - email pacdg@icloud.com**
- **and if you need assistance in any way, email us and we'll pass on your message to people who can help.**

Update from Norton Community Trust: *The plans to adapt the Norton church building into a community hub continue, if a bit slower than we had hoped. The church has now officially been declared redundant - in future it can be used for occasional religious services, including public worship, baptisms, funerals, and marriage blessings. Powys County Council have responded to the planning applications and we're responding to their request for a range of additional information. We knew the planning process would be challenging and we don't expect a final decision before the autumn. We have also been exploring options for our legal status, and we are looking at the possibility of coming under the umbrella of the Presteigne and Norton Community Trust whose main object seems to be a good fit for the Adaption project. Discussions are underway with the Council on this. And the Norton calendar photo competition is still alive – we have the chance to capture the best of Norton across all four seasons, aiming to judge the photo entries at the Norton Show in summer 2021 and have a calendar for 2022 which will make us all proud. For more details on any of the above contact John Refausse, [01544 267048](tel:01544267048), jrefausse@yahoo.com*

...from the Town Clerk. Next Town Council Meeting to be held on Wednesday 15th July. Meeting papers available on the Town website shortly www.presteigne.org.uk/town-council

SCAM ALERT

...beware a DHL email phishing scam that's doing the rounds pretending to be from DHL Express about parcels at the Post Office saying delivery is pending instruction from you and asks for confirmation of delivery costs (£2.99) and the delivery address of the package by clicking on a link. Report at phishing.gov.uk and delete.

UPDATE FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES AND THE HIGH STREET

(things keep changing so, best first check information on websites or Facebook pages)

...from Presteigne Little People's Playgroup. We have limited vacancies for summer holiday club. We are open 7.30am to 6pm Monday to Friday.

Ages 1- 12 years Mon 27th July – Tues 1st September £4.50 per hour

C-CASS and 30 hour free childcare offer accepted

BOOKING ESSENTIAL. Limited Spaces Available

Contact Sam [01544 262130](tel:01544262130) or info@presteigneplaygroup.co.uk

...from Leon's Supper Club. This Saturday night, Leon's Supper Club is proud to present a pop-up takeaway from - BARRY'S BURGERS - Gourmet burgers, fries and sides. Serving times are between 6.00 and 9.00pm, this Saturday 11th July - Call us any day this week between 9am and 4pm on [01544 262 164](tel:01544262164) to place your order. Get in early to avoid disappointment!!

...from Weobley Ash. Chiller is full of midweek meats, whole chicken, chicken fillets, mince beef, dice beef, pork chops, loins and joints, small beef and pork joints, lamb chops, mutton joints & rumps. Fresh Veg - Wilja potatoes 10kg new in, Moorcourt Strawberries, Moorcourt

Cherries, Peaches, nectarines, bananas, oranges, Green Cabbage, tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, Royal Jersey New Potatoes, Leeks, carrots, spring onions, and more. Plus..Is it national kebab day? We've got chicken Mediterranean kebabs, piri piri chicken kebabs, beef Argentina kebabs, bourbon bbq sticky chicken wings in stock. Please order where possible but we shall have some for walkin customers. Open from 9-4 Tuesday to Saturday for walkins. Call 01544 598120 email shop@weobleyash.co.uk to reserve a delivery slot.

...from The Original Presteigne Barbers. The barber shop on Hereford Street in the town centre will be open next week starting Monday 13th July. Then on MONDAYS and FRIDAYS. By appointment only. Please call or text SHARLENE on 07931239381

...from Aardvark Books. We are open! Mr Aardvark and R are ready to welcome you for a new Aardvark experience, socially distanced Covid-safe aardvarking! We have books, greetings cards, gifts, and also can offer takeaway coffee, tea and fresh slices - tiffin, brownie, flapjack and more- thank you to Jo Bebbington of The Loft. It's going to be an emotional day

...from the Workhouse Gallery & Café. Newsletter out now- are you on our mailing list? We send regular updates as things continue to change- sign up on our website to receive newsletters. <https://mailchi.mp/d9df5ca0e13b/beautiful-carpets-at-huge-reductions?e=267b90ac27>

...from the Royal Oak. Our takeaway slots are already full up till 6:20pm for Fish Fryday this week. Booking highly recommended to avoid missing out! And....this week's homemade Sunday roast offering for takeaway is shown on our Facebook page. Free delivery available within 2 miles of Presteigne in takeaway cartons or plate up slots available at the pub from 11:30am until 1pm if you wish to bring your own plates. To book and for any other questions or dietary requirements: Message us on Facebook or call 01544 260842

...from The Warehouse. We are receiving lots of great donations which are quarantined for 72 hours before being put for sale. We therefore have many new items to display every day so come along and grab a bargain! Selling fast and cheap!

...from Sal at Wild Card Tattoos. Today the Welsh government have confirmed I am able to reopen my tattoo studio from the 27th July. See my Facebook page for full details. Hey folks, I am pleased to announce that all being well (no further spike in covid cases)the Welsh government has stated my studio can reopen on the 27th of July. I will be following government guidelines and I have a made a few changes. For those booked in before covid - there is no need to message me, I have my list of your names so I will be in touch with dates, times etc. I will continue to keep to my previous high standard of hygiene procedures, cleaning before and after every client. Please come alone to your appointments as I have no separate waiting area. When you arrive- I will be providing face masks for each client to wear. I expect you also to wash your hands and sanitise them.

...from Chilvers Country Store. Wellies, boots and more!! Children's and junior wellies, ladies wellies and mens all in stock! Rossi boots in stock and selling fast! Also ladies suede boots still selling at the offer price! Something for everyone! Call in to Presteigne and see for yourself....

...from Spar Presteigne. Introducing our new mix & match BBQ Deal! Choose 2 meats, 2 sides and a packet of rolls - all for just £7! Pick it up this weekend. Varieties as stocked. Subject to availability.

...from Yen Robinson. I am having a CLEARANCE SALE of porcelain wall lights at the 'Old School' in Lingen. 26th and 27th of July from 10 to 5 both days.nThere will be reduced table lamps and other smaller bits and bobs too. Disabled parking only. Its 50 yards walk from the church car park.

...from The Royal Oak. Positive news at last!! We finally have some indication of when we can open for service. As of next week the beer garden can be open and from the 3rd of August we will hopefully be opening our doors fully for indoor service. Once the guidelines are digested and implemented, we do hope to open up for beer garden service sometime next week. Watch this space! As we slowly gear up for opening again, one change we can all make when visiting

The Oak is entering your contact details via our QR code or the website to help with the NHS track and trace. We will kindly ask each time you visit the pub you do so. We do hope we never have to access the information but we have to put measures in place incase. This could potentially save a life and help deal with a possible local outbreak. Thank you and stay safe

...from The Hat Shop. Good news ! We can open on August 3rd. Details yet to be confirmed. However I will be doing take outs from Monday 13th, all homemade. See Facebook page for menu.

...from Hannah Lewis. I'm now offering appointments for all aspects of hairdressing in and around Norton, limited availability. If there are any Elderly or priority friends/family members that can't get out I will do my best to fit you in and anyone else whose hair has got out of control during lockdown!! Full PPE worn and given during appointments.

OTHER INFORMATION

...from the Royal Albert Hall. Last summer we hosted a Christopher Wheeldon's spectacular production of Cinderella in-the-round with English National Ballet. You can now stream this glorious show for free for a limited time. Find out how here: <https://bit.ly/2BT5I3L>

...from Presteigne Little Peoples Playgroup. Dear all - Confirmation from Welsh Government and Powys Council: Summer term ends a week later on Friday 24th July : Holiday Club Monday 27th July to Tuesday 1st September; Autumn term will start Wednesday 2nd September; Half term (Autumn) is two weeks long and will start on Monday 19th October.

...from Presteigne Freegle. Freegle makes it super easy to share unwanted things in your local community, including food! <https://www.ilovefreegle.org>. If you've got unwanted edible food (maybe from an allotment bounty!) you can give it away so someone else eats it (and that's sooooo much better than it hitting a bin).

...from the Welsh Government. Playgrounds and community centres will reopen in Wales from 20 July. First Minister Mark Drakeford said also that cinemas, museums and galleries would be able to open "in the third week of this cycle", which is around 27 July. Earlier he said campsites would reopen on 25 July "provided we make a success of self-contained accommodation". He also said house viewings with owners present would be possible from 27 July. Confirmation that pubs, restaurants and cafes can resume trading outdoors from Monday 13 July is expected today at the Welsh Government's daily coronavirus briefing. Playgrounds have been closed since the start of lockdown and the Welsh Government said it was allowing them to reopen ahead of the summer holidays.

...from Powys Recycles. Please remember to sort your waste before arriving at the HWRCs. This helps keep your visit short and within the current 10-minutes allowed on site. Bags of mixed waste (recyclable and non-recyclable material) are not allowed into the residual waste skips. You will be asked to take your waste home and return once it has been sorted. It is important to retain high recycling standards and care for our environment, even in the midst of a global pandemic. Thank you for your cooperation.

...from the Welsh Government. Cervical, breast and bowel cancer screening services have restarted. If you've been invited to one, please take up this offer – it's safe to do so.

...from Powys CC. Do you work with people whose first language is not English or Welsh? Can you help us raise awareness of "Test Trace Protect" in Powys? Multilingual information is available from the Welsh government website: <https://gov.wales/test-trace-protect-multilingual-information-about-coronavirus>

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If you have any questions on what's happening - or not happening - in our community, do let us know and we'll do our best to provide an answer, or at least point you in the right direction - simply email pacdg@icloud.com.