

Community News

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an information service from PACDG - the Presteigne Area Community Group "Working Together"

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- **Please contact us if you see or hear of anything that will be of help to other residents - maybe ideas or suggestions for new hobbies or things to do at home - better we receive it twice or three times than not at all ! email pacdg@icloud.com**
- **and if you're self-isolating or need assistance in any way, you can also email pacdg@icloud.com and we'll pass on your message to people who can help.**

Seen in The Week, a letter to The Times... "This virus has a lot to answer for. I have this strange man hanging about my house. He says he lives here."

UPDATE FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES AND THE HIGH STREET (things are still changing every day so, if you have access to the internet, please check websites or Facebook pages)

...from Weobley Ash. We closed today, Sunday - just needed a day to recharge a bit but will be open from 9am Monday morning. Beef will be available from Wednesday onwards, a stunning Hereford grass fed heifer, paper work in store for provenance, diced, mince, stewing, roasts, rump, sirloin, ribeye, tomahawks (👍) etc. More beef coming in so plenty to go round.

If you require something we haven't in, message us and we'll get it

...from Lloyds Bank. Please do not put any deposits/banking in the Presteigne bank postbox as we are currently closed and cannot guarantee it will be processed. If you really need to call into a bank, the nearest Lloyds branch is in Leominster open Monday - Friday 10am to 2pm (closed Saturday).

...from Premier. Please note new opening hours for the Post Office Monday to Friday 9am to 3pm (weekend closed).

In the shop, please help us by - only 3 customers at any one time - restrict your visit to 7-10 minutes - avoid touching any items you are not buying - note we cannot accept any returns or exchanges in the current circumstances. Thank you for your support.

...from Salty Dog ref change of opening hours. We have a very high demand for on-line orders to collect. So we have decided to close The Salty Dog in the afternoons to give us a chance to put these orders together. We will still be open in the morning as usual. So our new opening hours are 9am to 2pm Monday to Saturday, with collections (only) on Sundays from 10am to 2pm. We need at least 3 days notice for orders. Thank you for your patience. Take Care

Virtual Gallery Tours - Art in the age of Coronavirus. Although all galleries and museums have closed their doors, many have created platforms that allow us to virtually explore their galleries - you can see collections and exhibitions that previously would have needed a plane, car or train ride to visit. Visit gallery websites, or search for video walk-throughs on Youtube, or download the free Google Arts & Culture

app which reportedly gives you access to 2000 global art institutions. Try a virtual visit to the Courtauld Gallery, the V&A, the Uffizi, the National Gallery, British Museum, Guggenheim, Metropolitan MoMA, Getty museums, Hermitage, Mauritshuis, Musée d'Orsay, the Tate and many many more.

FREE National Theatre live kicks off with James Corden in One Man Two Guvnors on 2 April at 7pm on their YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUDq1XzCY0NIOYVJvEMQjqw>.

People staying at home suffering with suspected #coronavirus symptoms will get regular check-ins and advice from a new NHS messaging service launched today. Text messages will be sent as a reassurance to those who contact NHS 111 online, complete the assessment, and leave basic information such as their age, mobile number and when their symptoms started. Find out more in our latest news update. <https://www.england.nhs.uk/2020/03/nhs-support-via-text-message-people-with-symptoms-of-covid-19/>

From the Powys Teaching Health Board - No Visiting in Powys. To reduce the risk of infection we have had to stop all visiting. Exceptions to the above will be at the discretion of the Ward Sister / Charge Nurse / Midwife and only given if you are involved in end of life care, or for one birth partner. We thank you all for supporting us to keep you and your loved ones as safe as possible in these difficult times. #StayHomeSaveLives. <https://gov.uk/coronavirus>

If you still have to get into Hereford or Landod by bus, this is Sargeants' revised timetable on Facebook for the Hereford-Kington-Llandod service <https://www.facebook.com/groups/209970992918310/permalink/614766712438734/?sfnsn=scwspmo&extid=V0GNt3TAweohxOVI>

PACDG - the PRESTEIGNE AREA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP... "WORKING TOGETHER"

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.

We're happy to help publicise community and charity activities and events (but only for events in the immediate Presteigne area) - email text (not poster images please) at least 3 weeks in advance to pacdg@icloud.com.

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