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St Nicholas' Church, Burton-in-Wirral

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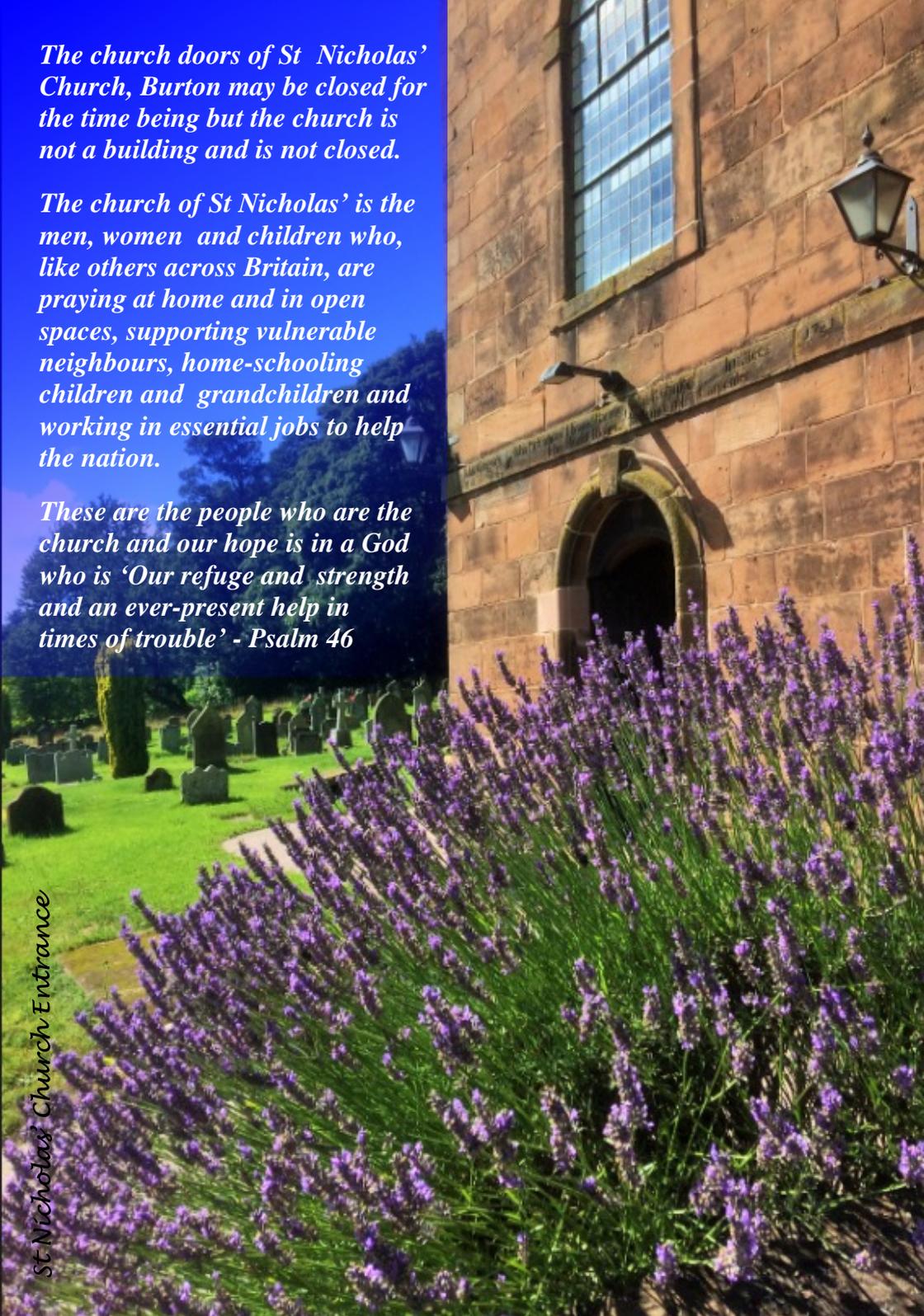
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The church doors of St Nicholas' Church, Burton may be closed for the time being but the church is not a building and is not closed.

The church of St Nicholas' is the men, women and children who, like others across Britain, are praying at home and in open spaces, supporting vulnerable neighbours, home-schooling children and grandchildren and working in essential jobs to help the nation.

These are the people who are the church and our hope is in a God who is 'Our refuge and strength and an ever-present help in times of trouble' - Psalm 46

St Nicholas' Church Entrance



A few years ago, a friend sent me a link to a short clip on YouTube called 'meChurch'. It was presented in the usual advertisement way with a soft-spoken voice, encouraging the listener to join a church which is all about satisfying 'me' and my needs. It's a church where those attending expect to get exactly what they want, including their cars waxed during the service! A church which makes 'me' feel good.

St Paul wrote to the Christians in Corinth that:



Christ crucified is a stumbling block to the Jews and foolishness to the Gentiles

[1 Cor. 1: 23]

He knew from personal experience that following Jesus is not about comfort and getting what we want, to fit in with our preferences but it means following someone who chose the way of the cross.

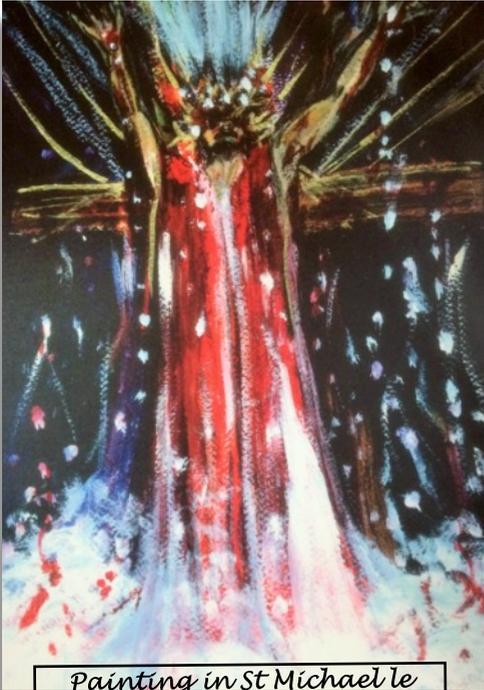


Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him chose the cross.

When you love someone, over time you get to know and understand their thoughts, their passions and maybe even start to look like them! (or is that just with dogs?) When we were in Cornwall on holiday wrapped up against storm Dennis, we realised how much we coordinated! Not quite in matching jumpers, but not far off!

When we love someone, we take the time and trouble to listen, to try to understand, to share in their joys and sorrows and at times it means we may lay aside our own preferences, likes and dislikes, to even sacrifice our dreams to enable them to achieve theirs. Our love for our loved ones, however strong, will always be a pale reflection of the much greater love Jesus has for us.

At Easter, we can take time to reflect and remember that love costs, love makes demands. If we are to follow Jesus who loves us completely, we choose to follow a king who came to serve, who chose the cross. The words of the wonderful hymn written by Isaac Watts in 1717 come to mind as a heartfelt response.



Painting in St Michael le Belfrey Church - York

Use the words of this hymn as a way to prepare for Easter, read it verse by verse and reflect on what living it may mean for us as individuals and as a church as we discover love so amazing.

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When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

*When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.*

*See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.*



I wrote my article back in February when life was very different. I did consider changing my article. I then reflected and realised that our dependency upon Jesus who loves us so completely has been brought into even sharper focus as we now get used to being in social distance or isolation. He is our strength, our hope, our courage, our calm in the storm. He understands loneliness, suffering and isolation.

When Paul and Silas were imprisoned and chained to the wall, they were restricted, isolated, at the mercy of forces beyond their control and what did they do? They sang praises to God and worshipped Jesus who knows what it is to be alone.

I've already suggested one hymn to use to reflect upon, but if you were asked, which would be your favourite hymn or song of praise?



Why not go to **YouTube** and listen to it, even sing along? Some versions show the lyrics too!

The words of favourite hymns and songs have the amazing ability to lift our spirits, to remind us of great truths of God's love, his faithfulness and his presence with us through these difficult times.

My favourites are ***Great is Thy faithfulness, Praise my soul the King of heaven, 10, 000 reasons, In Christ Alone, King of kings, Majesty***I could go on. The nation's top ones for last year were ***Jerusalem, Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer*** and ***Amazing grace***.

As the church building is sadly closed, the church is still very much in business. I am sending out our Sunday services via email each week and you can either email me c.helm@burtonchurch.org.uk to ask to be included or you can find these and other resources on the website.

Why not email me with your favourite hymn if I've not mentioned yours?

Another favourite is based on Psalm 46:

“God is our strength and refuge, an ever present help in trouble.

A Prayer for Connection

Dear God,

We're grateful that You never leave or forsake us. And, we're grateful for the technology that helps us stay in touch with each other.

Give us the strength to endure this difficult season, and deepen our connection with You and Your people.

Today, help us remember that this time of social distancing and isolation will not last forever.

Empower us with an extra dose of Your love, peace, hope and joy. Remind us of Your promises, and please heal our land.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

YouVersion

A photograph of a forest with a stream and a field of yellow daffodils in the foreground. The text "Easter Daffodils in Burton" is overlaid on the image.

Easter Daffodils in Burton

**HEED GOVERNMENT
ADVICE & STAY SAFE**



HM Government

CORONAVIRUS

**ANYONE CAN GET IT
ANYONE CAN SPREAD IT**

STAY HOME > PROTECT THE NHS > SAVE LIVES

GOVERNMENT CORONAVIRUS ADVICE



**SOCIAL
MIXING**



**FRIENDS AND
FAMILY VISITS**

Age
0-69



**ADVISED
AGAINST**

**ADVISED
AGAINST**

Age
70+



**STRONGLY ADVISED
AGAINST**

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AGAINST**

People with
**UNDERLYING
HEALTH CONDITIONS**

**STRONGLY ADVISED
AGAINST**

**STRONGLY ADVISED
AGAINST**

Coronavirus - Local Help & Information



St Nicholas' Church

Burton-in-Wirral



BURTON CORONAVIRUS COMMUNITY RESPONSE

Are you self isolating? Have you been advised to stay at home due to underlying health conditions? Your community is here to help you. We have put together a team of volunteers to offer **free** support to anyone in the local area who may need it. Things we can do:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shopping for groceries• Walking the dog• A friendly phone call	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Collecting medication• Post office trips• Anything else (we will try our best to help with anything you need)
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Please phone our community hotline on:

0151 665 0867

and leave us a message with your name, contact number, and a description of what we can do for you. Messages are checked multiple times a day and one of our volunteers will be in touch as soon as they can.

Please note that to stay safe and prevent the virus spreading, our volunteers have been advised to avoid physical contact and to keep a minimum 2m distance where possible. Please wash your hands regularly.

Message from Justin Madders, MP

If you are self-isolating and are unable to get to the shops, and do not qualify for the Council HELP scheme, we can offer supplies delivered to your door.

Phone: 0151 357 2092

Email: EPorthelp@gmail.com



No payment but if you can please make a donation to West Cheshire Foodbank

(<https://twitter.com/justinmadders/status/1244384775726682116?s=09>)

The Puddington Society

CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION



Supporting Our Local Community

With the continuing concern over the Coronavirus outbreak we all face a new, strange and concerning period of time. The Puddington Society committee would like you to know that help is at hand should you need it.

Please keep the following telephone numbers safe so that if you require support of any kind, a chat, require provisions collected, medicines, or feel concerned about your health, please call one of us and we will arrange to help. For grocery shopping all the major supermarkets offer online ordering and AMS Dairy in Neston (336 6508) will deliver milk, fruit juice, butter, eggs and bread etc.

Whatever happens over the coming weeks we will work together as a team to support you promptly and do whatever we can to look after one another's wellbeing.

A similar scheme is being set up in Burton.

Steven Cox	336 8772	07745 739 715
Joanne Ardern	336 6275	07791 225 415
Hazel Huxley	336 2288	07745 590 471
John Cadden	336 5967	07708 971 840
Jenny Sneddon	01244 881 493	07530 144 763
Bryan Blakeman	336 7435	07740 203 288

**Keep up to date via TV, Radio &
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19>**



Bishop Wilson Church of England Primary
"The joy of The Lord is your strength" Nehemiah 8:10

It has been a busy term for Bishop Wilson so far.

We have taken part in several different sporting competitions and the children have been fabulous ambassadors for our school.

In January, The Owl Sanctuary came to school and the children very much enjoyed learning about the different owls. The Little Owl was a firm favourite with our staff.

In February, students attended Young Voices 2020 in Manchester and had fun with friends from Christ Church Primary School.

In March, our Owls class went off campus on a residential outdoor pursuits adventure at Culmington Manor in Shropshire where they tried out a range of activities, some for the very first time.

The Year 5 & 6 children were taught how they can 'Escape to Safety' during a workshop by the Fire Brigade. All the children entered a 'smoke tent' designed to teach them how they would exit a smoke-filled room, learned how to keep themselves safe at home and then were treated to a tour of the fire engine rig.

On World Book Day, we all dressed up as characters from our favourite books. During the day there were book related activities and retelling stories through drama. Lunch was in the form of a Mad Hatters Tea Party - with all the usual party food and fun!

Finally, our special thanks must go to the children who read so beautifully at Chester Cathedral on Sunday 1 March. They led parts of the first service in Lent with the regular team, the congregation and students from Capenhurst and Christ Church.

Please take a look at the school website (www.bishopwilson.cheshire.sch.uk), Facebook (@bishopwilsonprimary) and Twitter (@bishop_ce) to see more photos of what we get up to.



Children at Chester Cathedral



Escape to Safety

Young Voices 2020



*Enjoying
Outdoor
Pursuits*



World Book Day Characters

APPRENTICES GIVE BISHOP WILSON SCHOOL A MAKEOVER

Six students on a painting and decorating apprenticeship programme have been brushing up their job skills at Bishop Wilson School, redecorating the school in a partnership between Curtis Painting Group and Wirral Metropolitan College.



Behind the initiative is Curtis' contracts manager Dave McCormick, himself a former apprentice, whose 'gift' of the refurbishment work serves a dual purpose - to provide the apprentices with valuable experience of the real world of work and to give a bright new look to the school.

Dave said: "When we heard that Bishop Wilson Primary was in need of a painting facelift it was a project in which we were delighted to become involved.

"It also meant we could introduce students to a real working environment to complement their college learning. Not only have they been putting their painting and decorating skills to the test, but they've also been pulling together as a professional team, gaining confidence and getting a valuable introduction to working and liaising with customers."

This message was reinforced by Steve Kelsall, from Bromborough Paints, whose business supplied painting materials free of charge.

Steve said: "Keeping a continuous pipeline of young talent in the painting and decorating industry is vital to the success of the regional economy and to suppliers like ourselves. This is why we are happy to support Curtis Painting Group with their plans to set young people on the path to careers as painters and decorators."

Having the apprentices in school for two days was lovely and it was a privilege to be part of their journey into the world of work. Our children and staff are delighted by the facelift to the main areas of the school and promise to keep it as clean as possible!

CHRIST IS RISEN!

Praise be to God and father of our Lord Jesus Christ. In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. 1 Peter 1³.

As we rejoice in the resurrection of Christ, we give thanks for the brave women who ran to the tomb and then brought back wonderful news. We pray for women who have courage to lead the way in their own community to bring about new life. We pray that those who are living in darkness for whatever reason may find light and hope in the joy of the Resurrection. AMEN.

Looking Back

2020 began on a positive note with a well-attended AGM. Branch leaders and committee members remain the same for the next year.

The February meeting was somewhat nostalgic with members sharing a treasured memory. As always, the range of experience amongst the ladies is delightful and rewarding to all.

The MU Diocesan Festival was held in Chester Cathedral on 29 February – a truly uplifting and inspiring occasion.

NEARLY 75% OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE USED A FOOD BANK HAVE AT LEAST ONE HEALTH ISSUE.



TWO-THIRDS OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE USED A FOOD BANK HAVE HAD PROBLEMS WITH THE BENEFITS SYSTEM IN THE PAST YEAR.



THE AVERAGE WEEKLY INCOME AFTER HOUSING COSTS FOR PEOPLE REFERRED TO FOOD BANKS IS JUST £50.



Read the full report at:

<https://www.trusselltrust.org/state-of-hunger/>



CORONAVIRUS - COVID 19 - UPDATE 31ST MARCH 2020

UPDATE TUESDAY 31st MARCH:

During the coronavirus outbreak, Wirral Foodbank is continuing to support people with emergency food, but we are running a reduced service due to measures put in place to slow the spread of Covid19.

As the church building is currently closed please donate direct to the foodbank

Spring is Around the Corner - Despite the Difficulties There's Lots to See Around Us

Curtains of rain one moment, brilliant sunshine the next, gale-force winds and perfectly balmy evenings: the restless weather can only mean one thing; Spring is underway!

It's been a wet start to the year, with the bluster of storms Ciara and Dennis to blow away the cobwebs earlier in February and speed us through March! We've consequently had very high-water levels on the main scrape at RSPB Burton Mere Wetlands and have been astounded by spectacular high tides at Parkgate. The wild wind and water have pushed some magnificent birds of prey onto our reserve, with both male and female hen harriers, marsh harriers and the odd owl or two among the truly special wildlife seen here this year.

On 8-10 April we had planned to have more Tidewatch events at Parkgate, held on the Donkey Stand but these have had to be cancelled due to the Coronavirus restrictions.

Looking out of the panoramic windows in our visitor centre, the changing season has ushered in new faces and feathers. A friendly office sweepstake saw us trying to predict the first avocet back on the reserve, and on 13 February it turned up, right on cue!

This iconic, elegant black and white wader wasn't alone for long, and not just avocets, but lapwings and black-headed gulls in breeding plumage are building nests on the islands across the main scrape.



Marsh Harrier



High Tide at Parkgate



Lapwing



Black Headed Gull



Cattle Egret



Bearded Tit



White Egret



Two exciting species, the exotic cattle egrets and secretive bearded tits have been spotted throughout the winter, leaving us hopeful for further breeding attempts this spring. Nesting herons and little egrets, as well as our steadily increasing number of great white egrets will be seen precariously perched in the treetops in April. If you haven't seen this odd but endearing feat of natural engineering, you're in for a treat! A couple of spoonbills – unique-billed relatives of the ibises – showed promise last year, so we're hoping to add them to our collection of breeding birds in 2020.

Before we sign off, we'd like to thank you all for your support in making our mail-order shop a success over its first year. We've got our summer range in and can advise you about everything from bird feeders to bamboo cutlery to tea towels! Not to mention, of course, our dazzling array of optics.

Following the latest clear instructions from the Government for us all to remain at home, we are closing our reserves to visitors until further notice. Please see our COVID19 updates page to stay to date with developments at RSPB.

For further details on any of the reserve activities and events, please see our website:

www.rspb.org.uk/burtonmerewetlands, or
www.rspb.org.uk/parkgate

Call us on 0151 353 2720,

Find Out What's Been Happening Down the Garden Path ...

Spring's on the Way ...

Hopefully the weather will continue to improve to allow an explosion of colour in the garden from all those lovely spring flowering bulbs.

First to show were the snowdrops, namely *Galanthus Nivalis*, *Flore Peno* and *Elwesii*. After flowering the *Nivalis* will be split from the larger clumps and replanted.



The weeping willow (*Kilmarnock*) looks wonderful with masses of pussy willows. It was purchased last year from Scotland and has continued to grow on well.

The *Buddleja Davidii* have been hard pruned to promote new growth this year.

To date the camellias are in various stages of bloom. The white variety is in full bloom as is the *Felice Harris* (pale pink). Still to bloom are *Lady Macron* (double pink) and a new camellia *Marie Williams* (red).



Daffodils, *Tête-à-tête*, *Rip Van Winkle* and *Thalia* have short stems and can withstand the gales.

The many tubs of tulips are a long way from flowering and their blooms are awaited.

The heathers on the rockery have provided much needed colour to the garden and a purple/white *Hebe* has also flowered.

The *Viburnum* is in full bloom at the moment and red *Skimmia* is still flowering.

The twisted hazel (*Harry Lauder's Walking Stick*) is again growing out of control and will be pruned back to an acceptable height.

Masses of birds have visited the garden – pairs of blackbirds, blue/great/long-tailed tits, a lone nuthatch, greenfinches, goldfinches and, of course, our pair of very aggressive robins.



Tasks to be getting on with ...

- **Prick out seedlings**
- **Harden off any plants as necessary**
- **Weeding**
- **Cut off old flower heads from hydrangeas**



Happy gardening,

Flori Bunda



Burton Capenhurst Ledsham Ness
Puddington Shotwick Two Mills Woodbank

Ultrafast Community Broadband Project

Built, funded and enabled by our community for our community

As you may (or may not be aware) B4RN Cheshire is live and running at amazing speeds in Capenhurst, Woodbank and Shotwick – we need it HERE and we want it NOW!!

In order to speed up the process of installing and going live we need to prove there is an overwhelming desire for B4RN in the area, so.....

Rural Gigabit Connectivity

Only 7% of homes and businesses across the UK can access 1GB (1000 meg), the Government is wanting this to increase, especially focusing on rural areas. The voucher scheme will provide up to £3,500 for small businesses and £1,500 for residents to the suppliers of Gigabit internet, i.e. B4RN.

If you register and complete the voucher process the Government grant scheme will allocate funding towards B4RN in our area, this in effect reduces the overall amount of local investment needed and allow the project to run in profit at a very early stage.

What you need to do:

1. www.b4rn.org.uk
2. Get B4RN (top row of icons if on a laptop, within MENU if on a phone)
3. Enter your postcode and check availability – if it's great news then....
4. Scroll down to 'Gigabit Voucher Request Form'
5. Complete the form information * if you're a business or self employed please fill out the company information as that receives the most funding*
6. Submit

Please note there is no contractual agreement for you to take up the service at this stage, when or if B4RN pass your property will be your opportunity to have a house kit fitted and fibre to your house.

If you have any questions regarding the above contact Alison 07817415493, if you would like to speak to a B4RN customer in our area we can arrange that too.

LOCAL POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICER - PCSO

Linda Conway

The weather was particularly foul in March, courtesy of all the storms, and yet we received numerous calls about a lady calling door to door, claiming to be deaf and trying to sell paintings to raise money for her family.

Police advise never to let unwanted callers or strangers into your home as they often appear to target vulnerable people.

We also receive numerous reports regarding online scams and phone scams.

Phone Scams

Scammers will call on mobiles or landlines claiming to be your bank or other trusted organisations. They may have some of your details, which they use to convince you that they are legitimate. Your bank will never ask you for your PIN or full online banking password. One technique that scammers use to convince you that they are legitimate is to ask you to call them back to prove that they are the actual organisation. When you hang up, the scammers can keep your line open for 2-3 minutes before it automatically clears. The scammers will then play a dial tone noise so that when you pick up the phone to call the bank, it will seem that you're initiating a new call when, in fact, you're still connected to the scammer. They will then ask you for secure information which they can use to take money from your account. If you ever receive a call purporting to be



from your bank, etc then wait at least 5 minutes before calling back or use a different phone such as a mobile to ensure that the line has been cleared.

Computer Software Service Fraud

This occurs when fraudsters posing as legitimate companies such as Microsoft or your ISP call to tell you that there's a problem with your computer. They'll say something like there's a virus on your computer or there is something wrong with your computer or your router or internet are not performing properly.

They might say that they can fix the problem for a fee, or alternatively they can compensate you for the problem.

What the fraudsters really want is for you to unwittingly grant them remote access to your computer by installing software or visiting a particular website and for you to give them your payment details. Legitimate companies like Microsoft and Google never cold call you and ask for access to your computer or for your financial details. Even if they give you details, never give out personal information during a cold call.

Never grant anyone access to your computer remotely, never go to a website that they give you and never install software because of the call.

SCAM WARNING

ActionFraud
National Fraud & Cyber Crime Reporting Centre
www.actionfraud.police.uk

Coronavirus-related frauds increase by 400% in March

Between 1st February 2020 and 18th March 2020, Action Fraud has received **105 reports** from victims of coronavirus-related frauds, with losses totalling close to **£970,000**. The majority of the reports are related to online shopping scams where people have ordered protective face masks, hand sanitiser, and other products, which have never arrived. We have also received over **200 reports** about coronavirus-themed phishing emails attempting to trick people into opening malicious attachments or revealing sensitive personal and financial information.

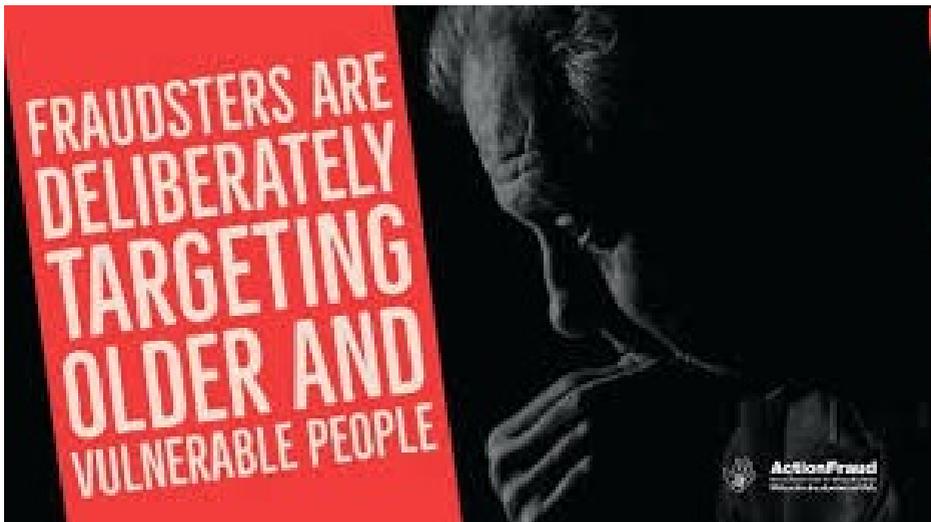
Watch out for scam messages:

Don't click on the links or attachments in suspicious emails, and never respond to unsolicited messages and calls that ask for your personal or financial details

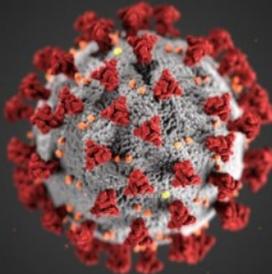
Shopping online: If you're making a purchase from a company or person you don't know and trust, carry out some research first, and ask a friend or family member for advice before completing the purchase. Where possible, use a credit card to make the payment, as most major credit card providers insure online purchases.

Protect your devices from the latest threats:

Always install the latest software and app updates to protect your devices from the latest threats.



REPORT
COVID-19
FRAUD



SCAM
ALERT!

Life Under Lockdown

During what will undoubtedly be a difficult and challenging time for many people, if you would like to let others know of your experiences such as tales of good-deeds, touching stories, lighter moments, or particular instances of note around the villages, please email your contributions to :

Sue Birch

Magazine Administrator



sue@suebirch.com



From the Registers



Service of Thanksgiving

29 February

- Andrew Martin Mortimer

Funerals

7 February

- Edward Costello

Interment

1 March

- Ernest Maurice Watkins

3 March

- Robert Ian Cowan

- BevyI Bruce Cowan

- Peter Thompson

- Alexandra Prudence Joanna Thompson



FLORIST OPENS IN BURTON MANOR

Flourish Flowers is now open at Squirrel Lodge in Burton Manor.

Flourish Flowers was established by Angela Adlard in 2011 and is a preferred Florist for 'Oh Me Oh My', Thornton Manor, Tower Hill Barns and are also the resident florist at The Red Fox in Thornton Hough.

They concentrate mainly on creating bespoke flowers for weddings and events, but Flourish bouquets are available online for next day delivery. Drop into the shop to see their range of flowers for sale or sign up for one of their flower-arranging workshops (dates to be confirmed).

Flourishflowers.uk or email
shop@flourishflowers.uk



Hardy Perennials

Next Lunch Dates

Not Out to Lunch unfortunately!

Meetings Suspended

Stay Safe!

Pollards Inn, Willaston

12.30pm for 1.00pm

Tel: Vivienne 336 7435

Tel: Linda 336 5017

Holy Communion Soup & Sandwich Lunch

For the last 9 years we have been holding an informal Holy Communion service once a month for those who find getting up the steps to church a bit of a challenge.

Initially we started in the Burton café and then moved to the Glass House at Burton Manor for a while until we settled in the Sports and Social Club where the facilities make it a perfect venue.

Several of the volunteers who have helped making the soup and sandwiches and hosting the lunch over the years have now stepped down...so a big Thank You to all those who have helped so faithfully and also to the new volunteers who have made up the teams so that we can continue to provide this very special service.

Many thanks from
Cathy and those who enjoy coming along each month.

Supporting the Local Community

Dovecote Nurseries

Station Road
Burton

Tel 336 5748

email dovecotenurseries@gmail.com



Continue to
enjoy your
garden and
borders and
let us deliver
what you
need.

Dovecote Nurseries is closed to the public due to the government's Coronavirus regulations. However, we are allowed to take orders by phone or email and we accept payment by card. *We can deliver locally to your door (3 mile radius) free of charge - min order £20.*

We deliver to: Burton, Puddington, Shotwick, Ness, Little Neston, Neston & Parkgate



Stock Available for Home Delivery

Hardy Bedding Plants

- Pansies
- Violas
- Stocks
- Gazanias
- Antirrhinums
- Mimulus

£2.99 per tray or 4 trays for £10

All ready for planting

Sweet Peas

- Single Colour or Mixed Colours
- £2 per pot

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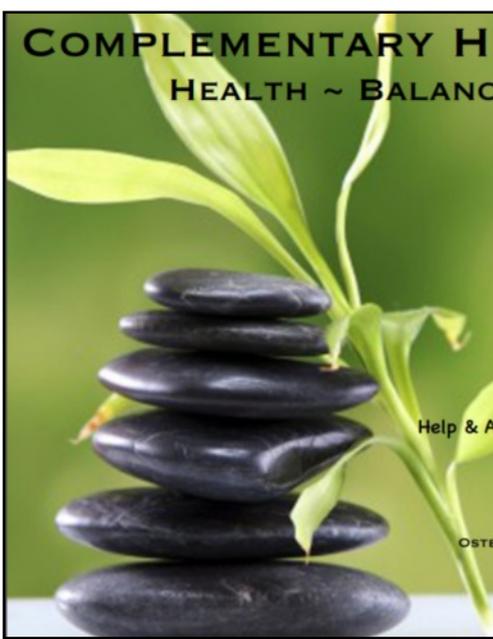
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