

East Ilsley Parish Council

Information for Emergency Responders

Thank you for contacting the Clerk with your expression of interest to join the Emergency Response Team in our village.

At present, our most pressing 'emergency' will be how to deal with the global Corona Virus outbreak and we would like to know if you can be on board to aid people in the village.

Here are some key issues we may have to deal with in the near future:

- Over 70's will **soon** be told to self-isolate whether they are displaying symptoms or not. It has been mentioned this could last up to 4 months in total.
- Schools **could** close.
- Online Supermarkets are experiencing overwhelming numbers of orders and are **unable** to fulfil new orders / take on new customers.
- Physical Supermarkets have placed **restrictions** on quantities of certain items and dealing with unprecedented demand / panic buying.
- Risk of **rise** in mental health issues for those in isolation (depression / anxiety / loneliness etc.)

So, how can we help?

We would like to offer a free of charge service to anyone in the village who needs our help due to this outbreak. They types of things we can offer:

- Pick up supplies (or add them to our own online shopping orders) we would have to liaise directly with the recipient regarding money or they can order 'Click and Collect' for us to pick up for them.
- ✓ Collect / Drop off prescriptions at Chieveley or Compton Pharmacies.
- ✓ Walk dogs for people who cannot leave the house / look after animals.
- ✓ Running errands (such as popping to the post office or paying a bill in a bank)
- Provide a house visit (if it is safe for us to do so) or offer a friendly phone call to help eliminate loneliness and isolation.

If you think this is something you would be able to provide please complete the information in the table below.

It is vital that we create a network of support in the village, our initial thoughts were to set up a WhatsApp group as it will be the easiest way to contact everyone at once.

Please confirm you are happy to download and install (free on Apple / Android stores) and be added to the group (we will need your mobile number).

Once we have weathered the Corona Virus, we can turn our attentions to 'Flood Defence'. Please can you indicate if you will be happy to join us for that?

Examples of duties for this would be:

- Help set up the emergency equipment (located in the container at the Allotments).
- Get fuel for the generators (full reimbursement will be given).
- Help people in the village moving their belongings upstairs.
- Provide basic care to those who need it prior to the emergency services arrival
- General support in times of a crisis.

Information Required if you would like to join the Team:

Name:	Mobile Number:	
Address:	Email Address:	
Availability:		

Please complete these statements:

□ I agree to download and install WhatsApp and use this as primary contact for any emergency in East Ilsley.

□ I am currently fit and well and do not have any symptoms relating to Corona Virus and I will inform the Clerk should I become unwell and self-isolate.

□ I have access to a car / vehicle should I need to leave the village in the capacity of Emergency Responder in Eats IIsley.

□ I confirm I will confirm to all health and hygiene guidelines set by the UK Government when dealing with people during the Corona Virus outbreak.

□ I am happy for my name, mobile number and email address to be shared with the Emergency Response Team for the purposes of notification of an emergency and to arrange help where needed.

□ I would like to be an Emergency Responder for all other types of emergencies in East Ilsley (not just the Corona Virus) (optional)

Please send this page back to the Clerk (Fen): <u>clerk@eastilsley-pc.gov.uk</u>

Mobile number the WhatsApp group will be set up with is 07912565665 (Fen)