

Lyt-Up - March 2021

www.lytchettminsterandupton-tc.gov.uk Mrs Karen Cane, CiLCA, PSLCC—Town Clerk Lytchett Minster and Upton Town Council

I Moorland Parade, Upton

01202 632070

Dear Residents

Below is a brief update on what has been occupying the Council since we last made our report to you:

- 1. The open space in Dacombe Close has had the large boulders installed to protect the land from vehicles. This project has been warmly received by residents, and we are looking further into enhancing this space.
- 2. We are working with various outside organisations to address surface water issues at Upton Cemetery.
- 3. The consultations are now in the public domain for various traffic regulation orders in and around the town (Pony Drive, Oakley Gardens, Sea View Road and Purbeck Close). It is important that everyone who has a view feeds this into the public consultation. Comments can be made by accessing the Dorset Council website.
- 4. We would encourage all residents to follow us on Facebook, if they can, as this is an effective way to communicate quickly and efficiently with you.

Issues that are of concern in the Town are:

- 1. Fly tipping please report any incidences to us.
- 2. Redwood Road play area we were very disappointed to see that the play train had been vandalised, and we purchased new parts, including a steering wheel. Within days however, it had been vandalised again. Please, if you see anything of this nature, report it to Dorset Police.
- 3. We would like to take this opportunity to remind users of the fields at French's Farm that this is not suitable for horses—there have been a couple of incidents with lively dogs and horses in the same space, and these two animals do not mix that well.
- 4. Dog waste more signs have been put up around the town, encouraging people to use the many bins. Please, we urge all dog owners to dispose of their dog waste responsibly.

Important Dates:

8 March—educational settings re-open

29 March—football matches at the Recreation Ground, with tennis and MUGA facilities available to use

12 April—The Grove community facility at the Recreation Ground re-opens

Please everyone, as we inch forward with the battle against Coronavirus, please stay safe and follow the guidelines which are in place to protect us all.

TOWN COUNCIL HELP CENTRE

Help Centre Closed to Public Visits Available by phone/email

Mon-Fri 9 am—1 pm.

office@lytchettminsterandupton-tc.gov.uk

councillors@lytchettminsterandupton-tc.gov.uk

Citizens Advice Surgery

No weekly surgeries until further notice. Contact the Purbeck Citizens Advice Line on 03444 111 4444

Meeting Dates:

The Town Council are now meeting virtually on a monthly basis to transact business. There are arrangements for a Democratic Session—please refer to the Town Council agendas, placed on noticeboards and our website.

Town Council—16 March 2021 7.00 p.m. virtual

COUNCILLOR/STAFF UPDATE

We say goodbye and thank you to Mrs Rebecca Wood, who resigned in January. We wish her well for the future.

We now only have 10 councillors—making 5 vacancies. Please, if you want to know more about what is involved and feel like you could make a difference to our community, give the Town Clerk a call for an informal chat.

We have also said goodbye to Jordan Down, our Assistant Groundsman, who has left to pursue new horizons in the military. Again, we wish him every success with his new career path