

Lyt-Up - Summer 2020

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Dear Residents

We trust you are safe and well.

These are exceptional times, and we have been working very hard to ensure that our services continue, albeit somewhat limited.

Our offices have continued to be manned throughout the pandemic to receive calls and help with enguiries, and our ground staff have continued to keep the area looking clean and tidy.

Many of our councillors have fallen into the vulnerable/shielding category but have continued to work together via virtual Zoom meetings, in fact we were one of the first in Dorset to hold a virtual council meeting, after the Government change the rules in the new Coronavirus legislation.

Play Parks/Skate park

Now open—please be sensible, follow government guidelines re social distancing, use hand sanitiser before and after use, and wash your hands thoroughly when you get home. If the area looks too busy, then seek an alternative play area or come back later. Please note we do not have the staff resource to sanitise play equipment—please ensure that you support your children to play safely by adhering to the guidelines in the play areas. Cemetery

This has remained open throughout, although there are limitations around the number of people permitted at a funeral.

Open Spaces

These have remained open, and been invaluable to offer residents a chance to exercise, Lytchett Bay View has been particularly popular. **Upton Together**

The Town Council team has been busy supporting this initiative, with our offices being used as the volunteer hub, and staff co-ordinating the various community support projects.



TOWN COUNCIL HELP CENTRE

We re-opened to the public on Monday 22 June, our current hours are:

Mon-Thursday 9 am-12.30 pm

office@lytchettminsteranduptontc.gov.uk

We can only accommodate one visitor to the Help Centre at any one time-please wait outside and we will call you in. There is a bell to attract our attention. Once inside, we ask you to sanitise your hands. There is now a screen on the front desk for the safety of both visitors and staff. Please do not come to our Help Centre if you feel unwell and are displaying symptoms of the virus.

If you require a food waste or glass recycling bin, then please call ahead and we can have this ready to minimise contact time.

Don't forget we can also be contacted via email/phone and Facebook.

Citizens Advice Surgery

We hope this will resume on 13/7 on an appointment basis only.

Meeting Dates:

We are holding virtual monthly Town Council meetings only via Zoom. Our next one is Tuesday 21 July. There will be no meeting in August as members are on recess. September meeting will be held on 15/9-format as yet to be decided.

