

In and Around Article December 2020

Dear Resident

December has certainly come quickly and this Christmas and New Year will probably be different to any other we have had in recent memory.

Government movement restrictions throughout November remained to help protect us and help bring this virus under control. Once again we continue to urge Parishioners to follow the government guidance and help one another. Please remember to download the NHS test and trace mobile phone app and scan the QR code when you visit public places. **Wash Hands - Cover Face - Make Space!**

Remembrance Sunday

This year's Remembrance Sunday was a smaller event but just as poignant. The Parish Council along with members from the Unitary Council and St Mary's Church were still able to mark the occasion following social distancing guidelines around the War Memorial.

Closure of our Outdoor Gyms

With Government restrictions constantly changing, the Parish Council has had to close our outdoor gyms. The outdoor gyms, which are for use by adults, have been sealed off to prevent the spread of the virus by multi use. The gyms located at the Way and Tillard Recreation Ground in Denham Village and the Knighton Way Lane Play Area in New Denham are closed until further notice. The children's play areas currently remain open.

Youth Project on hold

The Parish Council was delighted to start our first youth project for several years back in October. Once again government guidance has meant that we have had to temporarily stop our sessions for young people that were taking place in partnership with Buckinghamshire Council's Youth Service at the New Denham Community Centre.

We hope to resume the sessions in the New Year, please take a look at our website or follow us on Twitter for the latest updates.

Christmas In Denham

This year we will continue to provide Christmas lights around the Parish and a Christmas tree on the Village Green. We are still uncertain as to whether we will be able to hold any outdoor gatherings and await government guidance, please take a look at our website for the latest information.

Grants Available for Community Groups in Denham

Applications for small grants are now open. Every year the Parish Council distributes small grants to help community and voluntary groups within Denham. Previous recipients have included local lunch clubs for the elderly and local sports clubs including Denham Bowls Club and the local table tennis club.

If you would like to apply for a grant from the Parish Council for your local group please call our office on **01895 834709** and leave us a message or visit our website www.denhambucks-pc.gov.uk or email the office team at enquiries@denhambucks-pc.gov.uk

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Big Community Litter Pick Success!

Back in September residents across Denham came together to clean up the Parish as part of the national Big Clean Up campaign. Residents collected over twenty bags of litter. The success of this litter pick has led the Parish Council to consider making this a regular event throughout the year to keep our streets and footpaths clean and tidy.

A **big thank you** to all those residents that volunteered their time to help, if you would like to get involved in the next litter pick please email enquiries@denhambucks-pc.gov.uk or call 01895 834709.



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