

Rempstone Parish Council and Village Hall Committee Coronavirus Working Party – Newsletter 16

Rempstone Wildlife Campaign 2021. Last week we introduced our 2021 wildlife campaign, and asked for your ideas. So far you've suggested:

- A Village Wildlife Survey (not just birds).
- Making Hedgehog houses, Nesting boxes, and Bee hotels.
- A Sunflower competition.
- Bulb planting (this will have to wait for later in the year)
- Planting wildflowers, and allowing a section of your garden to go wild.
- A pet photograph competition.

What other ideas do you have? We will put them together, and create a programme for the year.



From 29th to 31st January the RSPB is holding its annual garden birdwatch. This is a national survey of birds across the UK, and is based on what each of us can see in our gardens. The RSPB website describes what to do, and how to send your results. <https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch>.

The British Trust for Ornithology (BTO) run similar surveys throughout the year: <https://www.bto.org/our-science/projects/gbw>

The RSPB and BTO websites also describe how you can make nesting boxes.

Michael Beeby's funeral was held on Thursday 14th January. Many of you turned out in the snow to see the cortege, drawn by a steam engine. You can see it again, and watch the funeral service in this video:

<https://vimeo.com/navvideo/review/500494787/516964f876>

Food Banks. We were afraid that Rempstone's contributions to food banks might drop off after Christmas. Instead, you have continued to give. Last week you donated 110Kg. This came from:

- food and groceries left with Claire Johnson at 21 Wysall Lane, clairejohnson003@hotmail.com 07432 055 694,
- cash donations which Jane used to buy food from a cash-and-carry store.

Anything you can spare will be gratefully received.

Odds and ends of wool. Every knitter has left over strands of wool. Gloria Kenney (44 Main St) is collecting these to make [Twiddle Muffs](#) for Alzheimers sufferers.

Newspaper delivery. East Leake Post Office is starting a delivery service for pre-ordered Sunday Newspapers and other goods, 65p per delivery.

Working Party members are:

Jane 881147	Michael 880259	Victoria 880060
Nicki 881285	Wilf 768178	Caroline & Roland 880257

If you have email then please use RempstoneHelp@gmail.com.

Coronavirus Vaccinations. An increasing number of village residents have received their invitations to get vaccinated. It can take a while to get through by telephone. We have found that the easiest way is online. You can do this yourself, or ask a friend to help you. All the information you need is on the letter you receive from the NHS. When you book, they will give you the dates and times for both your first and your second vaccination. It is also possible to add family members who can then be vaccinated at the same time. There is a choice of locations. The nearest is currently Gamston Community Hall.

If you have difficulty accepting the invitation, or don't have transport to get the vaccination site, then please ask a member of the Working Party for help.

When you arrive for your vaccination it speeds things up if you have with you your NHS letter plus following information:

NAME	
DATE OF BIRTH	
FULL ADDRESS	
POSTCODE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
PHONE NUMBER	
MEDICAL HISTORY	
BLOOD THINNERS eg Warfarin, Heparin, Apixaban, Dabigatran, Rivaroxaban	
OTHER CURRENT MEDICATION	
ALLERGIES	
EMERGENCY CONTACT	