

HIGHFIELD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Weekly update: Thursday 9th April 2020

Here is our second Newsletter update. You will see that various local traders are now offering a delivery service. If you have a Highfield neighbour not on email, it would be a great kindness if you could print a copy of this update and put it through their letterbox.

Today: Clap for Carers. Don't forget the weekly key workers' tribute (clapping) is at 8pm each Thursday, so let's be on our doorsteps/at our windows this evening to show our appreciation.

Headington Action website has been updated for the whole of Headington so members might like to have a look at <https://www.headingtonaction.org/>

Activity Hub website gives ideas to 'help us move, smile and stay well', with suggestions on creative activities, courses, volunteering, maintaining physical and mental health <https://www.oxford.gov.uk/activityhub>

Shopping during the lock-down:

Oxford Brookes' on campus shop at the Colonnade on Headington Campus remains open and is selling essential items Mon to Fri 07:30 - 18:00, Sat and Sun 10:00 - 16:00. Open to everyone.

Deliveries: Recent Developments

Headington Market is now online at <https://www.headingtonmarket.org/> and offers delivery of all the market traders' produce from meat to deli to garden plants. Have a look.

Waitrose click-and-collect means you can be in and out of the supermarket quickly. You don't have to queue, but can show your order number to the person at the door who directs you straight to the click-and-collect counter.

The Co-op (01865 766 132) is running a special delivery service on Mon, Weds, Fri all day for the elderly/ vulnerable. Order by phone, pay by card. On essential items delivery is free and no minimum spend. For non-essentials, e.g. wine, minimum spend £50.

Aldens meatmaster.info online shop for anyone who might be having trouble getting a delivery slot with the supermarkets. Apart from meat, fish and poultry (either as individual items or in boxes), they do fruit and veg boxes, eggs and cheese, ready meals, wine etc. Delivery is free for orders over £60.



Bonnors, Covered Market: To order: <https://www.bonnorsoxford.shop> No minimum spend; £3.00 delivery. Due to the high volume of orders at present, they might not have all the items you wanted so they will only charge you for what is delivered. Payment made via bank transfer, all the information will be in your delivery!

Oxford Cheese Shop: To order: shop@oxfordcheese.co.uk or phone 01865 721420. Free delivery to postcodes OX1-OX4 on orders over £30 (otherwise delivery is £3.50) Browse products and prices on: <https://www.oxfordcheese.co.uk>.

Of local interest:

You will most likely have heard Professor Sarah Gilbert of the Nuffield Department of Medicine speaking on radio and TV about the development of vaccines against Covid-19. Some of you will remember her as our guest speaker at the HRA AGM in 2018, when she told us about immunology research at the Old Road Campus.

Tomorrow: Easter Egg Hunt. To remind you, as advertised in our Spring issue of the HRA Newsletter and on the HRA Community Noticeboard, on **Good Friday (10th April)** put an Easter egg in your front window, or somewhere at the front of your property where children and adults can spot it. It can be a picture of an egg, a painted egg or an actual egg, big, small, sparkly or classically simple - whatever you fancy. Then on your Friday walk in Highfield see how many you can count. Let us know at hracttee@gmail.com and we'll publish the winner on our website.

NB: HRA covers the area between Lime Walk, Finch Close/ Brookside, and Old Rd from Finch Close to The Slade.

Soft toys: I expect you now know this is an international initiative. The hunt is thought to have been inspired by the children's book *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*, written by UK author Michael Rosen.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/52124055>

Rainbows: An initiative encompassing Italy, USA, Canada, Spain, and doubtless more countries by the time you read this, children's works of art, in particular rainbows have been appearing in people's windows. Rainbows bring a message of hope in times of trouble. Producing the rainbows brings families together, is a source of pride for young artists and a morale-booster for passers-by. Thank you, all rainbow-artists!



Headington News website <http://www.headington.org.uk/news/items/coronavirus.html>

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