SHREWSBURY TOWN COUNCIL



Impact on services during the Coronavirus outbreak No. 7 – 18 May 2020

The Town Council has prepared the following response its residents regarding the provision of its services during the current Coronavirus outbreak. As the situation is changing daily please refer to our website at shrewsburytowncouncil.gov.uk/ for further information. Updates will also be available at facebook.com/shrewsburytowncouncil/, at twitter.com/shrewsburytowncouncil.gov.uk or by telephone at 01743 281010.

Allotments – These will remain open to tenants with strict conditions applied. These must be adhered to.

Bus Shelters – These will remain usable. Any queries regarding the bus service should be made with Shropshire Council at shropshire.gov.uk/public-transport/ or via 0345 678 9006.

Parks and Gardens – We will continue to maintain these areas as normal and allow access to the public wherever possible. Rules around social distancing and usage **must** be adhered to.

The Quarry remains open for the purpose of exercise but the Dingle is currently closed to the public. We are looking to try and open this as soon as possible providing it is possible to maintain social distancing.

All events in the Quarry have been cancelled up until August but it may be necessary to cancel events beyond this time. Please contact your event organiser for more information.

We are continuing to maintain these areas in the interest of public safety. Please allow our members of staff to work without interruption.

Play Areas – Following Government instruction, all play areas are now closed.

BMX ramps - Following Government instruction, all BMX ramps and tracks areas are now closed.

Fisheries – All fisheries are currently closed and will reopen on 16 June in line with the fishing season and where it is safe to do so.

Markets – The Market Hall is open for food only. We ask all members of the public to observe social distancing guidance and stay two metres apart when using the markets.

The Sunday market at Battlefield is currently closed but hopes to reopen for food only on 24 May.

Public Conveniences – All public toilets are now closed.

Recreational Grounds and Sports Facilities – Please see next page.

Youth Services – Our Youth Services are now closed to the public. However, we will still offer support to our members via the internet or telephone during the time slot that clubs would usually be open. We will also be offering online services.

Recreational Grounds and Sports Facilities

Monkmoor Recreation Ground is now open to the public, providing they comply with social distancing guidelines. The tennis courts (hard courts) will be open from 7am until dusk or 9pm whichever is sooner. We will be unlocking the new tennis courts for people to use providing it is informal use, no coaching or tournaments. All tennis courts will be free to use as the key scheme has been suspended.

All Saints Bowling Green is due to be opened 18 May. Grass Tennis courts should be ready for use by 20 May.

St Michael's bowling green should be ready for use by 29 May. Grass Tennis courts to be ready by 1June.

Shelton Bowling Green is now ready for use.

Silks Meadow Bowling Green is now ready for use. Grass Tennis courts to be ready by 20 May.

Multi games units/basketball courts i.e. Springfield – in use as long as social distancing is observed.

If anyone wishes to use any of the grass courts, they need to complete a Key Play Scheme form which is on our website. Email it back to us using the enquiries email address and the combination will then be given to them. The grass courts will be free of charge, however the surface is more prone to damage if abused so we need to keep them locked under combination and only available to bona fide users.