



Press release

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Successful Grant Application in response to Coronavirus

Norfolk Community Foundation awarded **£1000** to **Coltishall Parish Council**.

Coltishall Parish Council were awarded funding from Norfolk Community Foundation through the **Covid-19 Community Response Fund** to support the **Coltishall and Horstead Community Coronavirus / Covid 19 Support Group**. This money will be used to pay for food, essential supplies, fuel and protective equipment to deliver groceries and prescriptions to parishioners.

The Coltishall and Horstead Community Coronavirus / Covid 19 Support Group is a self-appointed group led by Rev Christopher Engelson from St John the Baptist Church in Coltishall. It includes the Good Neighbour Scheme, Coltishall and Horstead Parish Councillors, the Community Lunch Club, a few local businesses and a discretionary GOFUNDME fund. The group are recognised by and have taken guidance from Broadland District Council. Councillor Jo Coplestone has attended their meeting.

Using the helpline parishioners can access advice and support. This includes organising deliveries to your door for food, basic items and prescriptions as well as wellbeing and spiritual telephone support if you are self isolating. Their current priority is the “at risk” group: people over 70+ or have underlying health conditions. However if anyone of any age in your household becomes ill you all have to stay at home and let a volunteer bring provisions to you.

James Matthews, Chair of Coltishall Parish Council, said ‘The response from our community volunteers has been astonishing. With great speed and single-mindedness an effective system of support and guidance is now in place for residents of all ages self-isolating and if need be recovering from infection.’

Jenny Bevan, Head of Programmes, said: ‘Norfolk Community Foundation is delighted to support this much needed project that will make a real difference in the community. We wish them every success with their work.’

If you’d like to find out more information about **Coltishall Parish Council and the Coltishall and Horstead Community Coronavirus / Covid 19 Support Group** please contact Rebecca Furr – Parish Clerk via Website www.coltishall.pc, Tel: 07446 542156, Email:



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