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Daily Briefing

Sunday 5th April 2020

Here are the key stories for the day, with thanks to our WhatsApp group who keep these coming in all day – there are now 128 members of the group, with every street represented. 70 people get this bulletin by Email.

Editorial:

Yesterday, more of the national support infrastructure for the vulnerable clicked into place. I had three separate reports about ASDA contacting people who had registered through with the Government last week. These households will be given an **ASDA Priority Pass** which will give them better access to home delivery slots. I am sure that the other supermarkets will be following suit, so please report in to me if any of them contact you. If you haven't registered yet, the link is below. This is very good news indeed.

Our volunteer network has done sterling work over the last 3 weeks. I know of 2 households that are each supporting several of their neighbours – a big thank you to them! However, I know that people value their independence. Home deliveries under their own control will certainly boost their morale. Remember though, several households in the Village do not have internet access. We'll need to find creative ways of helping them. The ASDA Volunteer card allows you to shop in person or online on their behalf. Let me know if you have any difficulties.

As regular readers will know, I am desperately trying to make contact with all households in the Village to ensure that they are safe. I managed to letter drop the missing households in Chelveston yesterday and another 10 households reported in. Fortunately, the household that had paramedics to them on Friday was one of them. Their incident was unrelated to Covid-19, and all is now as well as can be expected. They were pleased to have been thought of and have let me know that they have family locally looking after them. Sadly, carers visiting another of the missing households called out an ambulance yesterday. This didn't go as well, and the gentleman concerned has been hospitalised. I have no way of checking on his condition and we will need to keep a close eye out to see if he returns. I will be completing the letter drop in Caldecott and Chelston Rise today.

I was out walking yesterday morning around Melchbourne House and received a welcome call from John Eldred. The Church of England and the Ecclesiastical Insurance Company had agreed that the Church bells and altar "oil" lamps (actually electric) were actually considered to be an essential service. They posed minimal risk and could be switched back on! John mobilised quickly and, with the help of Andy Wager, normal service was resumed. I had two messages shortly after midday from residents who were delighted! Anything we can do to restore some sense of normality is certainly welcomed. I'm looking forward to recalibrating my morning litter pick using the hourly chimes. It's a simple pleasure I know, but that's what passes for fun these days!

Stay safe folks and try to maintain your own morale and that in your family.

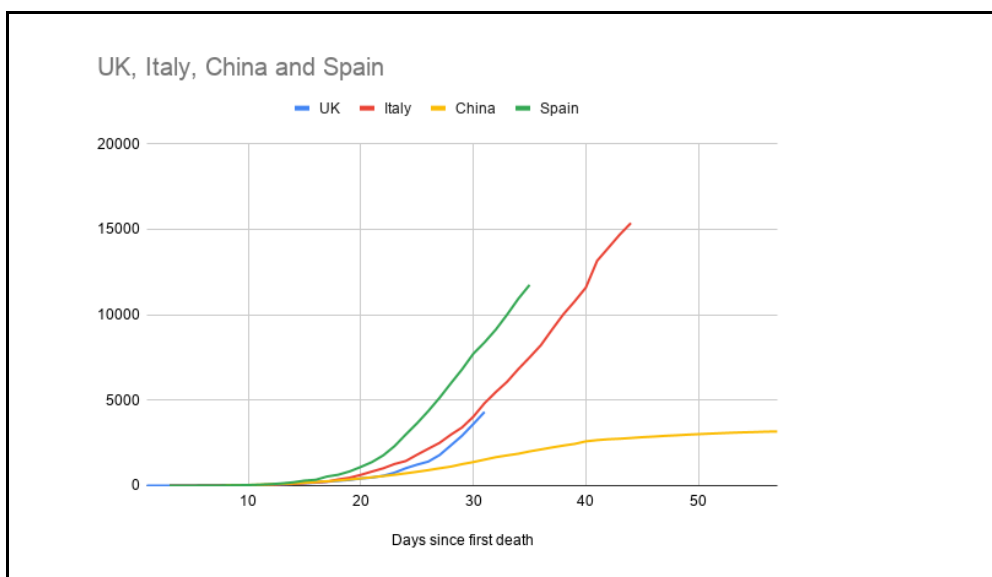
Nationally:

- Boris Johnson continues to show symptoms, more than a week after being diagnosed. He has to stay in isolation. His girlfriend, who is staying at the flat, has also spent the last week with symptoms.
- UK deaths from Covid-19 grew by another 708 yesterday to 4,313. For the first time, the number of deaths in the Midlands (212) exceeded those in London (127). This shows the lag effect with some of the regions following London but 1-2 weeks behind.
- The Queen will address the nation at 8pm this evening (Sunday 5th April 2020).



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Locally:

- Stocks and social distancing policies at the Co-op in Raunds are good.
- ALDI at Clapham (on the A6) near Bedford have sorted out the problems and now have screens installed and good procedures.
- Bosworth Garden Centres are delivering to the Village but are very busy. Their online shop has been temporarily closed for them to catch up with orders. It should reopen today at 3pm.

Daily Briefing	http://covid-19.chelveston.org.uk/daily-briefings/20200405
Sunday Service	http://church.chelveston.org.uk/services/20200405

Daily Links (all verified)

Missing Households (54)	http://covid-19.chelveston.org.uk/notices/Missing-Households
Letter to Missing Households	http://covid-19.chelveston.org.uk/notices/Requesting-Emergency-Contact-Details
Vulnerable Household registration	https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus-extremely-vulnerable
Northamptonshire County Council Support Line	Call 0300 126 1000 and select Option 5 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm)
Longhurst Housing Association Support Line	Call 0300 123 1745
Village support line	Call 07850 570007 in the first instance and I'll find you help
ASDA Volunteer Card	http://asda.com/volunteercard
Pharmacy2U	https://www.pharmacy2u.co.uk
Message from ASDA	https://www.facebook.com/141700922567987/posts/3671690972902280



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And finally

As more of the Cabinet Office humans show virus symptoms, Larry ([Chief Mouser to the Cabinet Office](#)) is called upon to expand his role . . .

COVID-19 Lockdown 1 Daily Briefings to the Parish of Chelveston-cum-Caldecott

During lockdown 1, the Parish Council declared a Parish Emergency and used all means possible to build and maintain community spirit in the Parish. Residents contributed to this by circulating amusing and ironic internet memes, and otherwise sourced cartoons, on the Parish WhatsApp group. Some of these were included in the Daily Newsletter, circulated on paper and by e-mail to residents.

The project was successful and received civic awards for its effectiveness. This archive preserves the material for social history research.

Given that many of the images were rightly copyrighted, the Parish Council cannot make them generally available. Some of the items were not attributed and we have not been able to find the copyright owners. We have therefore removed all affected images from the generally accessible archive.

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Thanks for reading and listening – stay safe and keep your distance!

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The Parochial Church Council

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