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Notices to the community Nº 13

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I am pleased to confirm the news that everyone has been waiting for, Denbighshire County Council will be reopening the *Ruthin Recycling Centre* on the *28th May* along with their other centres in Denbigh and Rhyl.

Because of the anticipated demand, Denbighshire residents will have to book a slot on line via <http://www.denbighshire.gov.uk/recycling> or if you have difficulty booking on line you should contact the council's customer service centre on 01824 706000.

Drivers will be given a booking reference number which they must bring with them at their allotted time along with proof that you are a Denbighshire resident. (Council Tax bill, driving licence, etc).
Anyone turning up without an appointment will not be allowed on site.

The Council is advising visitors to the recycling centres of the following:

1. People must not visit the recycling centre if they or anyone they are living with is in self-isolation or showing COVID-19 symptoms.
2. No twin axle trailers will be allowed entry.
Cars, Car-derived vans (vans less than two tons when fully loaded)/4x4s and single axle trailers will be able to enter.
3. People may only bring their household waste in a works vehicle if they already have a permit to do so. The council are processing requests for new permits as usual but please do not making a booking until you have a valid permit.
4. Please separate waste before coming to the site to speed up your visit.
5. The number of vehicles on-site will be restricted and where possible vehicles should only include the driver as only one person will be allowed to unload their vehicle.
6. People must remain in their vehicle whilst queuing.
7. Social distancing measures must be adhered to at all times by both staff and visitors.
8. Black bag waste should only contain non-recyclable waste.
DCC are collecting food, cans, plastics, paper, card and glass at the kerbside and so residents should use these collections for these materials. We will not accept black bin bag waste that contains food or recyclables.

The sites will be very busy and you should expect to queue to access the site. The booking system will reduce waiting times but you should still expect queues. At our two smaller sites in Denbigh and Ruthin waiting times will increase by approximately 20 further minutes if the skips become full and need emptying as no site users are allowed on site during this operation.

A new traffic management system will be in place but if the queues spill out onto a busy road and cause a hazard, people may be asked to move on. The council has done what it can to mitigate this with the booking system, but it is reliant on the public to adhere to their 20-minute slots and not turn up without a prior booking.

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Please treat all staff and fellow customers with respect and consideration during this challenging period. Any incident/abuse of the site, staff or other users will not be tolerated and will result in you not being able to book in to visit again and may involve police intervention.

The Ruthin opening hours are as follows:

- Monday to Thursday 10am - 6.00pm
- Closed Friday
- Saturday & Sunday 9.00am - 5.00pm

This is a good opportunity to gently remind everyone that the Green and Black bins in all the grave yards are for grave yard rubbish only.

Green waste only in the Green bins and all other waste including plastic flowers, plastic wreaths, cellophane and water bottles should be put in the black bins only.

Please do not use the grave yard bins for domestic household waste which has sadly been happening in Llanarmon-Yn-Ial and Eryrys. If the Green bin waste is contaminated with non-green waste the Council will not collect them and members of the Community then have to empty them and re-sort them!!

We are expecting to hear about some changes to the lock down rules in Wales tomorrow but the message currently remains the same in Wales. Stay home unless you need to shop, visit the doctors or hospital or make an essential journey such as going to work. You should still work from home if possible.

You can exercise more frequently but you should still not drive to walk.

Finally, as you walk around our villages most of the local streams are now dry and unless we get some decent rain soon, we may encounter water shortages this summer especially with all the extra washing of hands!! A sobering thought.

Keep well.

Regards,

Martyn