

15th June 2020



Good News, both Llanarmon and Llandegla will receive a mobile Post Office Service as from Thursday 18th June. The van will arrive in the Llandegla car park at 9.30am and will leave at 10.30 am. It will then travel to Llanarmon Yn Ial where it will park in the Raven car park from 11.00 am until 12.00 noon. Sadly, still no news about a similar service for Eryrys at the moment but I will chase this.

POST OFFICE **SWYDDFA'R POST**

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will be available

Llandegla: 9:30AM to 10:30AM
Village Car Park

Llanarmon: 11:00AM to 12:00AM
Raven Car Park

From Thursday, 18th June. 2020
until further notice

At a Video Conference last week with the Leader of the Council and the DCC Chief Exec it was confirmed that there had been a rise in the number of reported Covid 19 cases in Denbighshire. Although the increase was only small it meant that Denbighshire was sadly leading the way with Covid 19 cases in North Wales.

It is fair to say that in Denbighshire there are more Covid checks being undertaken than other counties and there may be a number of other contributing factors such as the fact that Ysbyty Glan Clwyd is situated in Denbighshire and that we have some very deprived areas in towns such as Rhyl. I did ask if the Health Board could confirm where the Hot Spots were so that we can concentrate support in those areas.

Denbighshire also has a mobile testing unit for or Care Homes and our staff are involved in the Test, Trace and Protect exercise.

The response to the reopening of the Counties recycling sites and the appointments booking system has been very positive but there have been some concerns about the fact that you can only re book after 28days. I raised this prior to our Video Conference and the Chief Exec announced that you can now book two slots to visit the centres each month.

More good news, the postponed resurfacing work on the A542 between the Dararn Dywyrch roundabout on the A5104 (Horseshoe Pass roundabout) and the Gate House on the A525 will commence this week. The road will be closed with diversions via Llandegla.

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The Councillors for Llangollen had asked the County to consider reducing the speed limit on the Horseshoe Pass after a number of fatal accidents over the last few years. I did not comment on the section of road in their ward but I did support a reduction in the speed in our ward which includes the section of the road past the Ponderosa and through the bends past Ty Newyddion.

I feel that because of the numbers of visitors to the Ponderosa and the Moors in that area a reduction in the speed limit would be appropriate. I have also discussed this with the Llandegla Community Council who agreed with my comments. Speed checks were undertaken and the County with police support are now putting this out to consultation.

Tarmac have started to transport rock this week from the Graig Quarry Graianrhyd via the B5430/A494 through Ruthin and on to Rhyl. You will therefore see an increase in large trucks on the B5430.

For those of you who have run out of reading material during the Covid Virus lockdown I am pleased to announce that DCC Library Service will now be offering an online order and collect service.

Library members can order books using the online catalogue and by using the Order and Collect order form on the Councils website <https://www.denbighshire.gov.uk/order-and-collect-library-books> or by telephoning your local Library.

People can return their books at the same time and all books currently on loan but late due to the Covid 19 lock down can be returned with no late fines. If you are just returning books you need to contact the Library by telephone first.

Even more good news - After a lot of chasing and with the help of our MS Darren Millar the Welsh Government via the Trunk Roads Agency have agreed at long last to Install the promised flashing 40 mph signs in Loggerheads. They have undertaken further speed checks and have agreed that there is a problem with the speed of vehicles through Loggerheads. It has taken nearly two years but we are there at last.

The signs can be moved to various hot spots and I have asked if the A494 through Llanferres can be included.

Did you know that you can now request a Covid 19 home test kit?

You should only do this if you are displaying any of the following symptoms - Continuous cough, fever, loss of smell or taste and you will need to take the test within the first five days of feeling unwell.

The test kits are available via free phone 119 and people with hearing or speech difficulties should call 18001 119.

The National Government has announced that it is to extend the job retention scheme by which enables employers to furlough their staff through to the end of October but on a sliding scale. To check for further information looked at Guidance published by HMRC.

There is also a reopening check list for food businesses closed during the Covid 19 lock down. Please see <https://www.food.gov.uk/business-guidance/reopening-checklist-for-food-businesses-during-covid-19>

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If you have driven along the B5430 recently you will have noticed that the sides of the road have been cut back ready for resurfacing. This was another highways project that was delayed due to Covid 19. I am pleased to confirm that the B5430 from the Ruthin Junction with the A494 right through to the section completed last year will be resurfaced soon.

This project will exclude the sections completed about three years ago but will mean that the majority of the B5430 will be brought up to an excellent standard. I will let you know when the work is scheduled to commence because it will involve reduced speed limits and traffic lights.

Finally, most of us have spent some time in our gardens during the lock down. I started a lot of my veg such as runner beans, lettuce, etc in my green house.

With the ground now warming up I have planted most of them outside only to see the local slug population enjoying a hearty meal at my expense.

I am not a great believer in using slug pellets and so I have been putting out my beer traps. This means that the slugs in my garden are being dealt with and my conscience is clear knowing that they died happy!! If you have a better way of dealing with slugs please let me know.

Please do not hesitate to contact me If you think that I can help in any way.

Keep well.

Regards,

Martyn