

Ulverston News



Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter, covering Ulverston events, festivals, and services. We also send email and SMS alerts regarding significant local incidents, and you can phone us for incident updates.

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Ulverston Self Isolation Group



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SELF ISOLATION**

We are very pleased to report that we have had no phone calls lately. We take this as a positive sign. With that in mind we have now stopped manning the phone line. If there is a second wave or local lockdown, we can quickly mobilise again.

Our call handlers have been fabulous with some very testing, moving and emotional calls in the thick of the pandemic. They are not trained. They are local people who wanted to help, so bravo and a huge thank you to all who worked so hard to get people what they needed.

The Cumbria County Council Covid-19 helpline is also now closed.

Cumbria Covid-19 News

The latest data for Cumbria shows new cases of Covid-19 in the county continue to fall. There were 28 confirmed cases in week end 21 August, down from 60 in the preceding week. Carlisle continues to have the highest number of new cases among Cumbrian districts, but fewer than the preceding week.

Colin Cox, Cumbria's Director Public Health, said:

"I'm pleased to see a significant drop in the number of new cases this week, but as ever we must remain cautious. Evidence coming from elsewhere in Europe is showing the virus on the increase again, significantly so in some cases. If we want to avoid that here, then people must continue to stick to the guidance. The virus is far from beaten and we continue to monitor the situation closely. This week's figures highlight that more young people, aged 15-19, are catching the virus than any other age group. We know young people are generally more socially active, and for them symptoms are usually mild - but the danger is that they spread it to older more vulnerable family members who are more at risk. The simple advice is wash your hands, cover your face and make space. If everyone keeps doing that we'll keep the virus in check."

The key public health messages remain:

- Wash or sanitise hands regularly
- Observe social distancing rules
- Wear face masks or coverings in enclosed public spaces, including taxis
- If you have symptoms, self-isolate and get tested
- Follow advice to self-isolate if asked

It's OK to Ask



Help with Food, Finances, Employment, Health,

We all find ourselves in a very unusual and challenging time. You may never have had to ask for help in your life, but now your life is changing. This excellent short YouTube video gives you some useful pointers on where you can go locally for support. All of these organisations are here to help, because they want to. They are not here to judge or criticise. If you need help, it's ok to ask!

[Watch the Video](#)

St Mary's Hospice

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BALLOONS TO remember

We love and miss you X

To dedicate a balloon please visit <https://rabr.co/smhu>

To be released on Saturday 12th September

VIRTUAL MEMORY BALLOONS
Dedicate a balloon in memory of a loved one

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St Mary's Hospice
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Balloons to Remember

This year's Walk to Remember has had to be cancelled. However, you can support St Mary's Hospice by entering a balloon in the St Mary's Hospice virtual balloon race.

[Watch the Video](#)

Stay Safe Online



Protecting your Personal Information

More than 10,000 Covid-19 related phishing scams are being investigated by Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs (HMRC). These scams prey on concerns about the pandemic. They are often written very cleverly, and anyone can fall for them.

Phishing is when attackers attempt to trick users into doing 'the wrong thing', such as clicking a bad link that will download malware, or direct them to a dodgy website.

Phishing can be conducted via a text message, social media, or by phone, but the term 'phishing' is mainly used to describe attacks that arrive by email. Don't download attachments or click on links in emails if you don't know who the email is from.

To protect yourself further, make sure that your email and social media accounts are secure by using separate strong passwords for each account, turn on 2-factor authentication via your account settings, and enable screen locks.

See the NCSC top tips for staying safe online. <https://www.ncsc.gov.uk>

If you have spotted a potential phishing email then you can flag it to the NCSC's Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS). More than one millions reports have now been received by the service.

[Report Suspicious Emails](#)



Is your child starting Nursery?



Lindal and Marton

Primary School



now offers
nursery provision



www.lindalmarton.com

Homes for Ulverston



Sale of Hartleys Brewery

Public statement by Homes For Ulverston Community Land Trust Ltd, an exempt charitable Community Benefit Society.

In June 2019 Homes for Ulverston (H4US) reached agreement with Frederic Robinson Ltd to buy the site and derelict buildings of the Old Brewery in Ulverston. H4US has had an exclusivity agreement for a period of time and undertook on trust, on the insistence of Frederic Robinson Ltd, to refrain from publicising its plans for the Brewery, or any other information about the intended purchase, to anyone other than members.

H4US, a non-profit Community Land Trust, has developed an ambitious project to restore the buildings and at the same time provide genuinely affordable homes for local people. The restoration would be of the highest environmental and heritage standard and incorporate local labour and materials, self-build opportunities, training in heritage skills, allotments and public gardens. It would also protect Ulverston's precarious conservation status.

Funding would be provided by means of grants from government and heritage bodies, a mortgage and the sale of some properties at market value. £105,000 of SLDC affordable-homes grant money has already been spent on surveys and architects' plans.

On 14 August 2020, H4US was informed by its architects that the site had been sold to another buyer. The publicity embargo therefore no longer stands and H4US can now tell its story.

It is now 12 months since Homes England, "the government's housing accelerator", gave the green light to the project. However, no funds have been forthcoming, despite all H4US efforts (two online applications and a 25-page Business Plan with 29 Appendices). And all Homes England activity is now suspended until October because of the pandemic.

However, though H4US can understand Robinson's frustration with the delays we are still shocked and deeply saddened by this turn of events, as are the project's local supporters and backers who strongly backed the project.

H4US has contacted the purchaser, Matthew Mayvers of Caterkwik, to discuss next steps. We understand that our architects were approached to ask if they could deliver our plans for him.

H4US would be pleased to discuss how the months' of planning and work and the substantial financial outlay (in excess of £105K) already made can still benefit Ulverston and its communities. We note that as a community land trust we are able to access funding streams which cannot be accessed by private developers, which was how our scheme was going to enable both a beautiful and genuinely innovative housing scheme for those on lower incomes.

H4US would be delighted to buy the complex from Mr. Mayvers.

Find out more on the H4US website: [Homes for Ulverston](#)
For the other side of the story, visit Facebook page: [The Old Brewery](#)

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