

Be Heard

As always, the CCC is here to help you be heard. Your councillors want to hear your views and concerns about what is happening to us all in this crisis. We are happy for you to contact us by phone or email, but if you prefer drop a letter or note into the Post Office (anonymously if you wish) it will get to us. Our next weekly call is on 14th April



Community Services

FOOD BANK

The CCC is moving ahead to establish a community food bank even before funding arrives from Scottish Government, and in view of widespread community support the CCC has released an initial £500 from the Community Fund to help set up the food bank. If you want to help or for more information speak to Liz McNicholl (200151). There will be more public information soon about the food bank, and there is a confidential email address if you need information on accessing the food bank: colonsay15@btinternet.com

Community Resilience

Word from Sheena Nisbet that Chris has put more hand sanitiser in the shop, and if you bring your own container you can get the sanitiser for free. Even though the sanitiser comes from a source of very consumable alcohol please don't try to drink the sanitiser as it has special additives!

Community Consultation

IMPROVED LOCKDOWN

Thank you to everyone who took a call from a Community Councillor on Sunday. It was a pleasure speaking to everyone and we very much value all your comments and feedback.

We are now working with CalMac, MacLennans and Derek Wilson on the practical implementation of the enhanced lockdown. We do hear that people are concerned about the complete cancellation of the Wednesday ferry and we are discussing with CalMac how to ensure food supply when the shop isn't resupplied by the Monday ferry, and we are talking with MacLennans and Derek Wilson about how to organise quarantining of deliveries.

We heard other concerns during our calls and we have a list of things to follow up, including the question of workers who need to come to the island. We appreciate that it can be disconcerting to see workmen moving about when we are all following the government guidelines on staying at home. Clearly sometimes workers need to come to the island but all of us want to be reassured that they are following the proper procedures on isolation. The CCC has been talking to MOWI about the shift patterns of fish farm workers since the start of this crisis, and is continuing to liaise with MOWI. Contrary to some reports, off-island MOWI workers are not allowed into the shop. The CCC will be asking MOWI to make a statement about the practices it follows in next week's newsletter.