

Coronavirus Support updated by EDDC 11 Jan 2021

In addition to the excellent support from the Whimple Volunteers and the brilliant secret chef I have listed below updated links and support available via EDDC

Coronavirus Community Support Hub

We're continuing our Coronavirus Community Support Hub, which can provide support and guidance to residents in need. Residents can ask for help using our online form:

<https://eastdevon.gov.uk/.../coronavirus-community.../>

or by calling 01395 571500 (the same number as before).

Our website information

We've updated, and continue to update, the Coronavirus related pages on our website:

<https://eastdevon.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Pages you may find particularly useful when helping residents:

Information on and application forms for the Test and Trace support payments. These payments support people who face financial difficulty as a result of an instruction to self-isolate:

<https://eastdevon.gov.uk/.../test-and-trace-support-payment/>

Guidance on how residents can get food delivered: <https://eastdevon.gov.uk/.../how-can-i-get-help-with.../>

Guidance on getting prescriptions delivered: <https://eastdevon.gov.uk/.../getting-prescriptions.../>

Lists of community efforts in your area, so you can see what else is out there:

<https://eastdevon.gov.uk/.../find-my-community-contact/>

Lists of community efforts that cover East Devon: <https://eastdevon.gov.uk/.../extra-community-support.../>

Financial Hardship Fund

If residents are struggling to afford food or other essentials, ask them to fill in our online application form: <https://eastdevon.gov.uk/.../information-financial.../>

Help available includes access to emergency short term support through shopping vouchers, food bank referrals, utility top ups, paying for essential travel needs, or essential advice and support services, or referrals to apply for Benefits.

The Coronavirus Community Food Fund

Our food fund is open to applications from you: <https://eastdevon.gov.uk/.../coronavirus-community-food.../>

It gives quick grants of between £500 and £2,500 for projects related to providing food to residents of East Devon who are in food poverty during Coronavirus. Projects can include, for example:

A food bank whose stocks of items are running low and they need an immediate donation to enable them to restock.

A foodbank that needs different items to what they have, for example if they need nappies or cleaning products that they aren't receiving through donations.

New equipment / resources that allow groups to have the capacity for the increased number of people needing their food related service.

A service providing hot meals delivered to the homes of vulnerable people, children or adults, who might otherwise not have a hot meal.

Costs related to collecting food donations and delivering food to those in need.

Training of staff and volunteers working on food related projects.

It can be used to fund eligible capital (so for physical things like equipment) and revenue costs (so for things like training, petrol costs).

The Covid-19 Prompt Action Fund

This is a joint fund from us and Devon County Council that's now open to new applications once again, until 5 March 2021: <https://www.devon.gov.uk/coronavi.../document/covid-19-fund/>

It aims to support community-led schemes that carry out the small but important things that can safely address some of the issues arising because of the current Coronavirus restrictions, including support for those who are clinically extremely vulnerable. It quickly provides small grants of between £300 and £700, higher grants may be given for exceptional projects.

Examples of projects that may be funded:

safe deliveries of essential goods and services to those who are vulnerable, such as foods and medicines.

support for accessing online information and services.

helping people to stay connected and informed and measures to support mental health and wellbeing.

transport-related initiatives that support safe community responses.

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The COVID-19 Prompt Action Fund is providing grant funding to organisations or volunteers offering support within their communities