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Truro City Council Services during National Lockdown 3

Following the Government announcement on Monday evening of a third national lockdown and in line with Government guidelines Truro City Council is working with Truro Business Improvement District (BID) and other partners to respond to play a full role in safeguarding public health and to protect the NHS.

Mayor of Truro, Bert Biscoe said:

'We are seeing a much more active infection rate, and being careful, thoughtful and hygienic is vital. Truro City Council is very concerned about consequences and, as well as the lockdown measures, we are actively speaking up for the town's young people, the disabled and elderly, hard-pressed homeworking parents, and for our future economy. This lockdown is frustrating but necessary. It is important that we all take care and are calm in dealing with the difficulties that we now face. An occasional prayer now and then wouldn't go amiss!'

Truro City Council services are as follows:

- Allotments Open
- Cemetery Open (NOTE: Closed to the public during burial services). These
 details will be updated on the Truro City Council website page and Facebook
 page @trurocitycouncil.
- Community Development/Assistance you can get in touch with Volunteer Cornwall who coordinate volunteers in our community that can help: 01872 266988
- **Library** Open between 10am and 4pm Monday to Saturday offering a click and collect service, access to four PCs and printing and scanning. Order your books online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/library call 0300 1234 111
- Out door gym equipment Closed
- Parks & Gardens including play area / equipment Open (NOTE: Boscawen Park café is open for takeaways)
- Public conveniences Open The Leats, Green Street, Victoria Gardens and Boscawen Park open: All others closed
- Skate Park Open
- Tennis Courts at Boscawen Park Closed

 Visit Truro Shop - Closed. The service is available via social channels with ideas of things to do in lockdown as well as other information @visittruro or email tic@truro.gov.uk

All Truro City Council meetings will continue to take place via zoom, agendas for meetings can be found at www.truro.gov.uk

Further updates and information will be on Truro City council website, wwww.truro.gov.uk and / or Facebook page @Trurocitycouncil,

Truro BID will be signposting businesses to government financial support packages and other relevant information, www.trurobid.co.uk or on Facebook @trurobid.

Visittruro.org.uk has a directory of local businesses which can remain open or offer takeaway services, click, and collect service. This is regularly updated

Due to the national lockdown and non-essential shops and personal care facilities having to close, the temporary road closures put in place to support social distancing will cease until further notice.

The Truro Partnership (Truro City Council, Visit Truro and Truro BID) who, along with Cornwall Council, put in place the road closures will continue to work together to support businesses and residents during the latest lockdown.

Editor's Note

- Truro City Council will continue to review its services.
- Visit Truro is a service provided by Truro City Council.
- For further information contact: Truro city council <u>abi@truro.gov.uk</u> / Truro BID <u>alun.jones@trurobid.co.uk</u>.

To reduce social contact, the Government has ordered certain businesses and venues to close. These include:

- All non-essential retail, including, but not limited to clothing and electronics stores, vehicle showrooms, travel agents, betting shops, auction houses, tailors, car washes, tobacco and vape shops.
- Indoor and outdoor leisure facilities such as bowling alleys, leisure centres
 and gyms, sports facilities including swimming pools, golf courses and driving
 ranges, dance studios, stables and riding centres, soft play facilities, climbing
 walls and climbing centres, archery and shooting ranges, water and theme
 parks,
- Entertainment venues such as theatres, concert halls, cinemas, museums and galleries, casinos, adult gaming centres and arcades, bingo halls, bowling alleys, concert halls, zoos and other animal attractions, botanical gardens;
- Personal care facilities such as hair, beauty and nail salons, tattoo parlours, spas, massage parlours, body and skin piercing services, non-medical acupuncture, and tanning salons.

Food shops, supermarkets, garden centres and certain other retailers providing essential goods and services can remain open. Essential retail should follow COVID-secure guidelines to protect customers, visitors, and workers. Playgrounds can remain open.

Hospitality venues like restaurants, bars and pubs must close, but can still provide takeaway and delivery services. However, takeaway of alcohol will not be allowed.