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We are now in the tricky stage of a pandemic of navigating our way out of lockdown. People are now able to get out more and local services, such as the Garden Centre, are beginning to resume but we can't pretend life is totally back to normal. There are still residents who need the help of volunteers to pick up prescriptions, buy and/or deliver shopping or help in other ways, and anyone might find themselves in the position of having to self-isolate for a week or two. To contact OWN for help call 07902 111786 07375 945284 or email [owneighbours@gmail.com](mailto:owneighbours@gmail.com)

As well as all the amazing volunteers in Oakington and Westwick, the Community Association and the parish council, OWN would like to thank Ben Phillips, and the congregation at St. Andrew's who support him, for administering the village foodbank and helping with the Hardship Fund. Both of these things are increasingly needed as the financial implications of Covid 19 begin to bite, and a leaflet giving further information is being delivered in the next week or so.

Please continue to support the village shop. If you need to place an order call 01223 232327. It has provided a vital service to local residents over the last few months, but unless people continue to use it there is a risk it may not be there in the future. A box collecting for the foodbank is available in the shop, and more donations are needed as reserves are becoming depleted. Next time you are shopping, add a few storecupboard items to help others who need it. Contact Ben Phillips if you wish to donate, or if you need assistance. Call 07342 945373 or email [benp@standrewsoakington.co.uk](mailto:benp@standrewsoakington.co.uk)

As one café closes, another opens! The Zoom virtual café on Thursdays will no longer continue, but the Olive Tree Café at the Garden Centre is now open for takeaway. They have an excellent range of savouries and cakes for lunches and picnics.

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