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Focus # 374 on Middleton & Oakgrove

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One of the casualties of lockdown was setting up Uroy's litter picker network. We're going to start emailing everyone who got in touch and then Uroy will call to give out the litter grabbers.

We need to get a signature for them so before he rings the bell Uroy will push the form through the door. Then, when it's opened, he'll exchange the grabbers for the signed form, observing social distancing.

WE'RE BACK!

Distributed with this issue—our Annual Report for 2019 — 20. We were about to start delivering this in March when lockdown started and everything changed. Hope you agree it's still worth reading!

Since March we've published four **eFocuses** on facebook. Mail or text us for copies if you didn't see them:

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FIRE ON OAKGROVE



A flat was destroyed in Amiga House on 10 July. A crowd funding page has been set up to help the family who've lost everything. Please help:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/jamie-lee-petrie-1

MILTON KEYNES OUTBREAK PLAN

The Council's outbreak control plan is designed to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in MK and especially to guard against a second wave of infection. It's been developed with Public Health England and 18 local organisations, and will be updated regularly.

Mail or text Uroy for a copy on

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If you know of anyone who is vulnerable or in need of help at the moment please contact the Council's COVID-19 help line **01908 252398**.



TRAVELLERS IN MIDDLETON

Congratulations to the Parish Council for playing so effective a role in relation to the travellers who passed through in early July. There were some queries as to why the Police can't act more quickly, using what's called their section 61 powers. It appears that to do so the Council must confirm to the Police that alternative emergency pitches are available. We've asked to meet the Police and Council to find out what the problem is.

MOBILE LIBRARY AS POST OFFICE?

There's been some interest in a new post office in Milton Keynes Village now that the one in Jardines has closed permanently. Sam's spoken to the Post Office nationally but they've no plans for a replacement.

Thought: could we link this to the Mobile Library service (and perhaps other things as well like recycling sacks)? We'll talk to the Council. More next time.



OAKGROVE BMK TRACK

Kerrie & Uroy are denying the rumour that they've tried out the new BMX track, and Sam's far too scared.

But we've been told it's very slippery and isn't as good a surface as Brown's Wood or Stanton Low.

What do **YOU** think? Let Uroy know on:

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CITYFIBRE IN NORTH MIDDLETON

There seems some doubt as to whether CityFibre is going to extend throughout the whole of Milton Keynes Village and parts of the Noon Layer Drive area of Middleton. Cost and technical difficulties are cited.

We don't know for sure but are trying to find out.

When CityFibre came to MK we were told that it would operate throughout the city and play a key role of keeping us ahead of competitors as a digitally enabled location.

We mustn't compromise on this.





Uroy, Kerrie & Sam The *Focus* team

We aim to reply to mails, text or calls within 48 hours. Texting's usually fastest. If we don't, please get in touch again in case we've missed your message.

Thank you!