



Duncan Baker

Member of Parliament for North Norfolk



To Parish & Town Councils
in North Norfolk

Wednesday 18th March 2020

Dear all

I write to thank you for the amazing work your council members and staff are doing to support the local resilience effort in the face of the coronavirus outbreak. At this difficult time, all tiers of government, along with community organisations, need to put differences aside and pull together for the common good, and I've been greatly encouraged by the extent to which this is happening in North Norfolk.

I want to assure you of my support for all you are doing and to let you know I am happy to help wherever I can. My constituency office team has dealt with hundreds of enquiries and questions from constituents already, so I know the extent to which we will all be under pressure in the days and weeks to come.

If there is any issue which you face, either as a council or on behalf of your residents, where I can provide support as your MP, please do not hesitate to contact me on 01692 557140 or at duncan@duncanbaker.org.uk.

My team has been collating details of individuals and organisations, across the constituency, who are offering practical help to the vulnerable, housebound, and self-isolating. Whilst many will have families, partners, and friends to help, I am concerned that we get the right help to where it's needed, and that we do not forget those who may be lonely or struggling with the present situation. This database is growing by the hour and can be found at www.duncanbaker.org.uk/coronavirus. I would be very grateful if you could let your members and residents know about this resource: whilst it will not be the only such list available, it will be kept accurate and up to date with the latest guidance from NHS England, and with details of places to seek help and support.

If you know of individuals/organisations in your own parish/town offering this support, it would be very helpful if you could ask them to fill in the form at www.duncanbaker.org.uk/support, so that we can add them to the list and so that my team and I can point people in the right direction if they contact us.

In the most difficult of circumstances, I have been heartened to see this situation bring out the best in those who live and work in North Norfolk and, working together, I have no doubt we can keep everyone safe and healthy, and move past this to enjoy our beautiful home and its strong community spirit once again.

Please do feel free to forward this letter on to others within your council and/or distribute it more widely within your communities.

Yours sincerely

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