Emergency help and support groups

Both Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole (BCP) and New Forest Council (Ringwood) have provided details of help and support groups.

Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council area:

For BCP, they have "Together we can". Their dedicated team of staff and volunteers will take calls during 8am to 8pm, 7 days a week. It is for those who don't have vital help and support and need access to food and essential items.

They can give you information and details of groups who can help with things like food and meal delivery services, pharmacy prescription delivery etc.

Their telephone number is: 0300 1237052

For more information: <u>https://www.bcpcouncil.gov.uk/News/News-</u> Features/COVID19/Community-Response/help-and-support-in-your-community.aspx

Ringwood area:

For Ringwood, they have the "Ringwood Coronavirus Support Group".

They have volunteers that collect and deliver prescriptions and shopping. They will wear blue support T-Shirts and have lanyards with ID so they can prove their identity and if collecting or delivering prescriptions will also hold a DBS certificate.

They are available from 7am to 10pm and you can leave a message outside of these hours.

Their telephone number is: 01425 542031

For more information: <u>https://ringwood-coronavirus.org.uk</u>.

Dorset Council:

Dorset Council has now set up a support group. The only information we currently have is:

Their telephone number is: 01305 221022.

If we get any other information, we will update this.