

**Willows  
Muckhart  
Clackmannanshire  
FK14 7JH**

20 November 2014

Dear Member of Community

**First aid - Community Defibrillator**

Muckhart Church has recently replaced the *First Aid- Community Defibrillator*, which is located in a new external cabinet outside the Coronation hall, and it is available for emergency use by anyone throughout the local community.

A defibrillator can be used to resuscitate somebody who has suffered a cardiac (heart) arrest, where emergency treatment in the first few minutes can be crucial.

In a community such as Muckhart, an ambulance will normally take 15-20 minutes or possibly longer to respond to an emergency, therefore a local defibrillator can be lifesaving in such a situation.

The unit is available for any member of the community to take for emergency use, but please note ***it should only be operated by those persons who have been trained in its operation, and who have also been trained to deliver CPR.***

The faster the treatment the more likely it is to be effective, therefore having household members trained in CPR and in using the defibrillator is the best way of achieving this.

The defibrillator unit is very simple to use, and when activated, provides verbal instructions to be followed by the operator. If you would like to be trained in its operation and CPR, please contact John Anderson, [john.anderson781@btinternet.com](mailto:john.anderson781@btinternet.com) (tel 01259 781 391)

*A number of trained people have volunteered to respond to a request for assistance; however this response team could be more effective if more volunteers were available.*

*If after training you wish to consider volunteering for the defibrillator response team, please contact John Anderson to discuss it.*

On the attached notice you will find:-

- ◆ *a procedure for accessing the defibrillator, which includes the list of current local trained volunteers who have agreed to respond, if available, in an emergency*
- ◆ *the location of defibrillator, and the procedure for collecting it*

In the meantime should you require more information on the defibrillator initiative, then please contact John Anderson

regards

**John Anderson  
Muckhart Church**

# Community Defibrillator

*The Community Defibrillator is available for use by anyone  
(Anyone operating it, should be trained in 'CPR' & in using the defibrillator)*

**In the event of a suspected Cardiac Arrest;**

1. **Phone emergency services (Ambulance service) by dialling 999**

2. **Do you require help to use the defibrillator ?**

**Only after calling 999**, if you think a defibrillator is required, and you require assistance, – phone any member of the defibrillator response team listed below; *(If in doubt phone anyway!)*

**On receiving the call, the member of the response team will ask you:-**

- a. **Have you requested assistance of emergency services by dialling 999 ?**
- b. **to describe the situation**
- c. **Is anyone with you who can collect defibrillator from the Coronation Hall?**

*If you have family, neighbours, or a friend who are available to collect the defibrillator from the Coronation Hall, you should ask them to do so as this will make the defibrillator available on the scene more quickly*

d. **Phone a further member of the defibrillator response team** for additional support

**Members & Phone Numbers of the Defibrillator response team** are:-

Sheena & John Anderson	01259 781 391
David & Elaine Carlyle	01259 781 614
Neil Duthie	01259 781 317
Greer Conroy	01259 781 330
Sheila Fisher	01259 781 444

3. **Collecting the Defibrillator**

Defibrillator located at: **Coronation Hall, School Road, Muckhart FK14 7JF**  
**located in car park, within yellow cabinet mounted on wall**  
**adjacent to fire exit** *(see location map on next sheet)*

1. **IGNORE KEY PAD LOCK - Open cabinet & remove the defibrillator unit**  
**An alarm may be activated when opening door– please ignore**

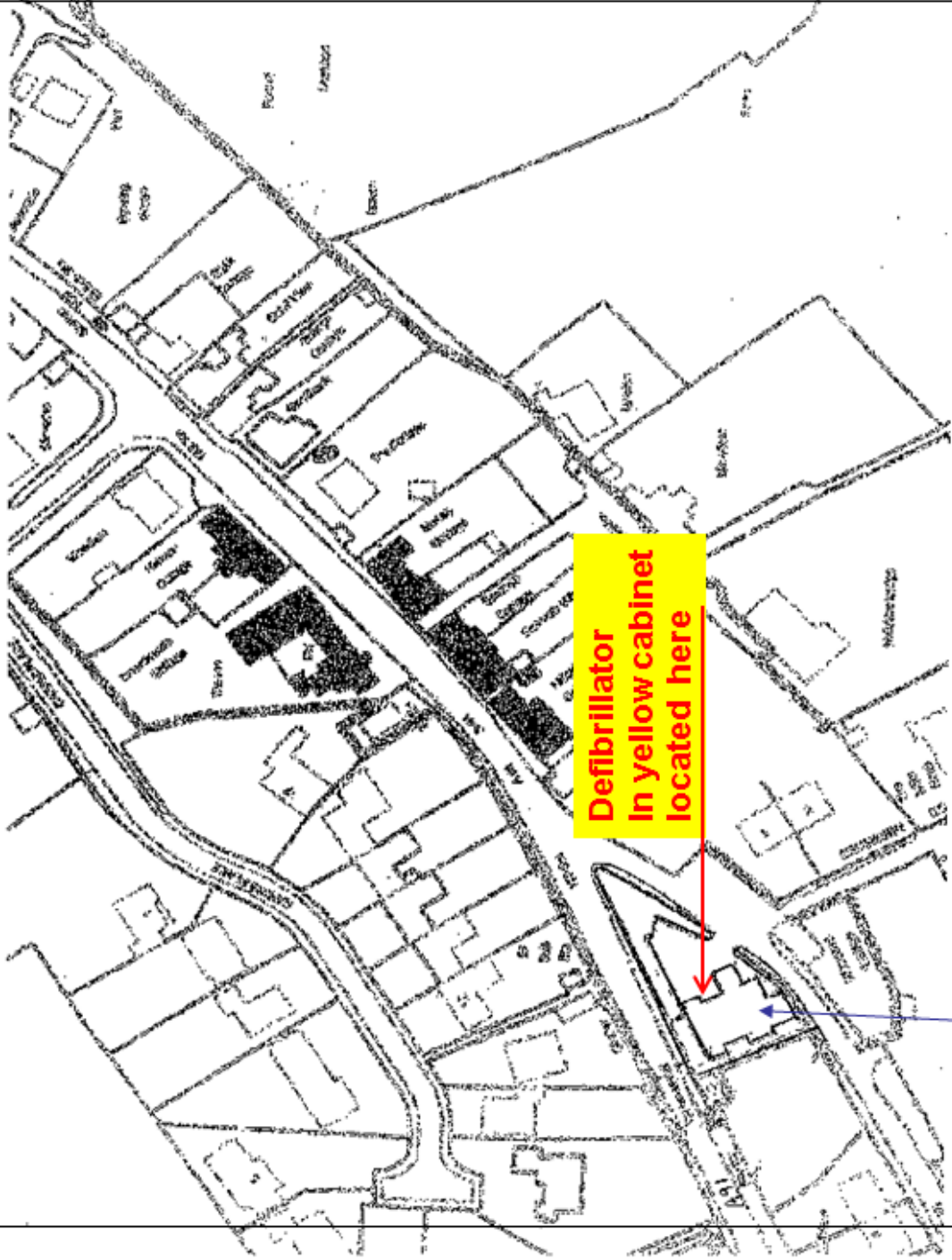
**Note:** The alarm may be switched off by closing the door and securing the simple clamps

2. **If you remove the defibrillator** from its location, **remember to hang the sign**  
**(DEFIBRILLATOR HAS BEEN COLLECTED)** on the outside of cabinet door

**Remember, Phone emergency services first by dialling 999**  
**before contacting a member of the response team**  
*(note: Always keep your address and phone number handy)*

Please contact John Anderson, telephone 01259 781391 or [john.anderson781@btinternet.com](mailto:john.anderson781@btinternet.com)  
if the defibrillator has been removed from cabinet, or if the defibrillator cabinet alarm has been activated

# Map for locating Community Defibrillator



Coronation Hall

## First Aid Community Defibrillator

Defibrillator location:-

Coronation Hall  
School Road  
Muckhart  
FK14 7JF

Located in car park, within Yellow cabinet, mounted on wall, adjacent to fire exit

IGNORE KEY PAD,  
release spring clamps to  
**OPEN CABINET and  
REMOVE DEFIBRILLATOR**  
**alarm may be activated -  
please ignore**

NOTE:-

The alarm can be switched off by closing the door and securing the door clamps

**When you remove the defibrillator from the cabinet remember to hang the sign on outside of door**

**Defibrillator  
has been  
collected**