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## **Update 21.04.20 Chairperson Expresses Gratitude to Community Hub Volunteers**

Newry, Mourne and Down District Council Chairperson, Councillor Charlie Casey has thanked volunteers who have helped provide a lifeline to shielding and self-isolating residents requiring assistance.

"We would like to say a big thank you to all those who have volunteered to help with our Community Coordination Hub.

Firstly, we greatly appreciate the dedication of the voluntary and community organisations who have already worked with us to ensure food parcels make it to our most vulnerable residents at this time.

We are also aware that 120 volunteers have signed up with Volunteer Now to help with the food deliveries as part of their #HelpEachOther COVID-19 campaign. Again, our thanks go to everyone who has put their name forward; it is much appreciated. We will draw down support from you over the next few weeks and thank you in advance for your patience as we make contact with everyone.

Due to the high response rate to date, Volunteer Now is pausing the recruitment of volunteers to its COVID-19 campaign. They would like to highlight, however, that plenty of other volunteering opportunities remain."

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