



## BAILIWICK OF GUERNSEY LAW ENFORCEMENT

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### **Community Spirit on Display**

During the stay at home instruction, officers are still out and about making sure everyone is safe and adhering to the new rules.

And that means they come across some really good stories of people adapting – such as this innovative and sensible idea on Millbrook Estate, which we want to share with you.

The majority of households on the estate have young children. Parents are very aware of the social distancing rules and have been keeping their children only going into their own gardens, however these aren't big enough for them to burn off any pent up energy they may have.

When NPT officer PC Shields was in the area, one resident ran through an idea: why not allow one household at a time use the car park for their children to ride their bikes and run around. Parents from that household would supervise, and it would be only that household at that time allowed to use the carpark in order to keep within the rules.

Public Health agreed this would be acceptable.

The resident who came up with this idea then contacted all other households on the estate – everyone liked the idea. A private Facebook group was created with a rota, allowing households to book a time for their kids to play outside.

This is simple idea, adheres to the restrictions, educates the children on what is happening and means they can have a bit more normality in their lives.

This is innovative community spirit.