

## Essar Four Villages Half Marathon

Sunday 16th January 2022

## **Advanced warning for Local Residents**

The 38th Essar Four Villages Half Marathon will take place on Sunday 16th January 2022, through the local parishes of Helsby, Dunham on the Hill, Barrow, Ashton Hayes, Mouldsworth, Manley and Alvanley. The race is organised by Helsby Running Club with the support of local community groups. In 2020 we donated more than £10,000 to local charities and the voluntary groups who support the race and we will support these groups again in 2022.

We rely on the goodwill of everyone living and working nearby to help us put on a successful race of which the local community can be proud. Having this race on our doorstep is also a great way of encouraging more people, young and old to take part in sport and keep fit and healthy.

At the request of Cheshire West & Chester Council, **the route will have full road closures again this year.** This is to ensure the safety of runners, spectators, residents and marshals and give the race the best possible chance of going ahead in inclement weather.

Overleaf is a route map with details of closures and times. Roads will be closed in zones to minimise disruption and the timings show the maximum time they will be closed. **We will keep roads open for as long as possible, whilst ensuring safety for all.** 

If you live on the route, full road closures mean no access for vehicles, horses or bikes during the times stated. If you need vehicular access in or out of your property during the times stated, we are asking for your co-operation to depart or return outside the times of the road closure. If this is not possible or you have a prior important appointment (e.g. carers visit) please contact us in advance on the number below and we will do our best to accommodate your request. In the event of an emergency, emergency vehicles will have access to anywhere on the route as required. If you require urgent access on the day of the race (e.g. injured animal requiring a vet) please contact us on the number below to request an emergency escort through the road closure.

## In advance – 07967 209703 Emergency contact on the day of the race – 07747 023134

We ask for your patience and understanding to help us put on another successful and safe event. We are expecting just under 1000 runners and everything is in place to make this a top race that brings in runners from far and wide and supports the local community and charities. Thank you in advance for your co-operation and we hope to see you out on the course spectating and cheering on the runners on the 16th January.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## Laura Baynham-Hughes

Race Director – Essar 4 Villages Half Marathon Helsby Running Club

The White Lion Pub and Hornsmill Pub will have access and be open for business as usual.

For information and updates please visit www.helsbyrunningclub.org.uk/four-villages-half

