Hello again all

Please find below this week’s County Council update for you to circulate to residents and parish councillors.

**Headlines:**

* **Covid rate down**. The rate of positivity per 100k in the Cotswolds is now down to 138. This is lower than previously and also accompanied by low hospitalisations in the county. The figures for covid infections have been fluctuating alot in the last month so we wait to see how the autumn weather due soon impacts on this.

* **Recovery grant** – A reminder that the County Council has launched a covid recovery fund. I have a total pot of £40k to spend over the next four years across my county division. The aim is to help communities recover from covid, bring people together and rebuild the economy too. Full details are here: [https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/build-back-better-councillor-scheme/](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/PECUXbilzGk/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fwww.gloucestershire.gov.uk%252Fbuild-back-better-councillor-scheme%252F%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538876178%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3DthJye09NgUwhQ6cWvl5rgFZl%252FEFUdK%252BSFtirHL%252FeObQ%253D%26reserved%3D0)

If you have anything you want help with, please let me know and stay safe and well!

Thanks.

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| COVID-19 update 24 September 2021 |

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| **Please forward this update on to those who would like to see it** |

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| **Key messages*** Vaccinations remain the first form of defence against the virus and the ‘evergreen’ offer of getting both doses of the vaccination will remain open to everyone who is eligible.
* Let fresh air in if you are meeting indoors - opening windows for just 10 mins or a small amount continuously can makes a significant different. Meeting outdoors is still safer.
* Wear face coverings - where social distancing and ventilation may become more difficult and in enclosed spaces where you might come into contact with people you don’t normally meet, like on public transport
* Get tested and isolate if positive - anyone with symptoms should self-isolate and can still get a free PCR test. Anybody who tests positive must isolate for ten days. [Financial and practical support continues to be available](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/tkW0PHiji2k/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Flnks.gd%252Fl%252FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MjQuNDYzOTc2MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwOi8vd3d3Lmdsb3VjZXN0ZXJzaGlyZS5nb3YudWsvY292aWQtMTktaW5mb3JtYXRpb24tYW5kLWFkdmljZS90ZXN0LXRyYWNlLWFuZC1pc29sYXRlL3RyYWNlLyJ9.dFiZ8FZWaw02lJ-_STaHe5XvjpAgCtV-DtzM0dVm3rM%252Fs%252F746211175%252Fbr%252F112857558306-l%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538886132%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3Do6kj4rXWHvIVD7TiV1bJTWOE7S%252B04PJx6R5l7SqLWlI%253D%26reserved%3D0).
* Continue with regular rapid tests if you don’t have symptoms – this will help stop Covid in its tracks - [gloucestershire.gov.uk/testing.](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/rduycSMs0qM/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Flnks.gd%252Fl%252FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MjQuNDYzOTc2MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwOi8vd3d3Lmdsb3VjZXN0ZXJzaGlyZS5nb3YudWsvIn0.RJStIyogl8vhA7GPBGk6YQLaiQImK4LPHMKpv1-gEtA%252Fs%252F746211175%252Fbr%252F112857558306-l%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538886132%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3DWRbUQha95DkhtUHWSdLV3XHgyWbOiwyXHzGpcn76DJU%253D%26reserved%3D0)
* Stay home when unwell - Health and social care are already under real remove  pressure – this will only increase as we head into the winter months. Stay at home if you feel unwell and help protect our NHS.
* Wash hands regularly.
* Utilise the NHS COVID-19 app – the app remains a key tool in preventing further cases of Covid. Since 16 August the app has advised potential contacts who are vaccinated to take a PCR test rather than isolate.
* Government has confirmed that vulnerable people will be offered a COVID-19 booster vaccine this winter. Read more from [Gloucestershire CCG](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/1cTTQAEivok/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Flnks.gd%252Fl%252FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDMsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MjQuNDYzOTc2MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL2NvdmlkMTkuZ2xvcy5uaHMudWsvdmFjY2luYXRpb25zLyJ9.liZ0pNYvanJNC8uGHbHOypKY9C17LU-CBA3O9N-a3sQ%252Fs%252F746211175%252Fbr%252F112857558306-l%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538896091%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3DZeCAU4y%252BNtb62N%252FS4cAmKGO5jB0i%252BwXY1TMvDuU9jMU%253D%26reserved%3D0).

**Testing**In the preceding 30 days of reporting (23 August - 21 September) under our local pillar 2\* testing sites 328,837 tests have been undertaken in Gloucestershire residents, 2.34 % of these were positive.**Mobile Testing Unit (MTU) locations⁶*** Car Park off Newerne Street, Lydney, GL15 5RA (Friday and Wednesday-Thursday)
* Car Park, Oldends Lane, Stonehouse, GL10 2DG (Friday-Sunday)
* Royal Agricultural University, Stroud Road, Cirencester, GL7 6JS (Friday- Wednesday)
* Lower Lode Depot, Lower Lode Lane, Tewkesbury, GL20 5TT (Friday-Thursday)
* University Of Gloucestershire, Entrance 3, Park Campus, The Park, Cheltenham, GL50 2RH (Saturday-Sunday)
* Hartpury University and Hartpury College, Gloucester, GL19 3BE (Sunday)
* Stow RFC, Oddington Road, Stow on the Wold, GL54 1JJ (Monday)
* Cinderford  RFC, Dockham Rd, Cinderford GL14 2AQ (Monday-Tuesday)
* Dursley Rugby Club, Hounds Green, Dursley GL11 6AJ (Monday-Tuesday)
* North RFC, Stoke Orchard Road, Bishops Cleeve, GL52 7DG (Tuesday-Wednesday)
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**Permanent Testing Site Locations****PCR Testing Sites****Gloucester RTS**Hempsted Meadows, David Hook Way, Gloucester, GL2 5LE**Cheltenham LTS**High Street Car Park, Cheltenham, GL50 4AL **Stroud LTS**Stratford Park Leisure Centre, Stratford Road, Stroud, GL5 4AFYou can[book a test here](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/pnmqbgVfees/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Flnks.gd%252Fl%252FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDQsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MjQuNDYzOTc2MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5nb3YudWsvZ2V0LWNvcm9uYXZpcnVzLXRlc3QifQ.54XS59Len1KsgeqhnjUFtmjImimpCfR3jff6Rtbg3nc%252Fs%252F746211175%252Fbr%252F112857558306-l%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538896091%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3DhM1hDiFuXgwvP%252BqSj9TgKrV9BspvxD6oQZIq7jy7qXA%253D%26reserved%3D0) for one of these sites if you have any COVID-19 symptoms. **Assisted Testing in Pharmacies (LFD)**You can see which pharmacies you can take a rapid test at if you do not have any COVID-19 symptoms [here](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/HbWU0nROk9A/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Flnks.gd%252Fl%252FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDUsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MjQuNDYzOTc2MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5nbG91Y2VzdGVyc2hpcmUuZ292LnVrL2NvdmlkLTE5LWluZm9ybWF0aW9uLWFuZC1hZHZpY2UvY292aWQtMTktdGVzdGluZy1pbi1nbG91Y2VzdGVyc2hpcmUvdGVzdGluZy1mb3ItdGhvc2Utd2l0aG91dC1jb3ZpZC1zeW1wdG9tcy90YWtlLWEtcmFwaWQtdGVzdC1hdC15b3VyLWxvY2FsLXBoYXJtYWN5LyJ9.Tz8_Zny_AYrR2JbwxPlllOBjKfMnCL_Q91D3cEtK52o%252Fs%252F746211175%252Fbr%252F112857558306-l%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538906049%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3DR4Y1MAdQXzogL2RZ4IPpfWeAFllbHOLgJAYXNenP0eg%253D%26reserved%3D0).**LFD Home Test Collection**Anyone can collect LFD kits for use at home from any of the locations listed [here](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/tDmq67p-0DI/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Flnks.gd%252Fl%252FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDYsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MjQuNDYzOTc2MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5nbG91Y2VzdGVyc2hpcmUuZ292LnVrL3Rlc3RpbmctYXJlYS0yL3Rlc3RpbmctZm9yLXRob3NlLXdpdGhvdXQtY292aWQtc3ltcHRvbXMvY29sbGVjdC10ZXN0LWtpdHMvIn0.WWaNHvfxi9QRoQ2Es_M8UGpQlubayxVCt280r29om2w%252Fs%252F746211175%252Fbr%252F112857558306-l%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538906049%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3DRxutKE%252FTgvb9BPalhCHixgy6HZkiUEne9wvIPafb2ag%253D%26reserved%3D0) including some pharmacies and local libraries.**LFD Home Test Delivery**                    If you cannot get tested at your workplace or are unable to go to a test site or collect test kits, you can order a test kit to your home [here](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/C_Bq12neYFg/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Flnks.gd%252Fl%252FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDcsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MjQuNDYzOTc2MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5nbG91Y2VzdGVyc2hpcmUuZ292LnVrL2NvdmlkLTE5LWluZm9ybWF0aW9uLWFuZC1hZHZpY2UvY292aWQtMTktdGVzdGluZy1pbi1nbG91Y2VzdGVyc2hpcmUvdGVzdGluZy1mb3ItdGhvc2Utd2l0aG91dC1jb3ZpZC1zeW1wdG9tcy9vcmRlci1hLWhvbWUtdGVzdC1raXQtb25saW5lLyJ9.wo99vf1z-VWiLd3E8GTUWbSgVQnpgY6J5wZrn0rQGl0%252Fs%252F746211175%252Fbr%252F112857558306-l%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538906049%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3DrG2jf83oT8cX2IIfyLzW87BrRb3OjbXaPGbEqtIrSto%253D%26reserved%3D0).**Outbreaks**In the last 7 days, there has been 14 confirmed⁷ outbreaks in high risk settings in Gloucestershire. |
| **24/09/2021****Gloucestershire COVID-19 stats**[Link to graph showing daily cases by local authority (](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/rFyjgiuj1DI/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Flnks.gd%252Fl%252FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDgsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MjQuNDYzOTc2MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL2Nvcm9uYXZpcnVzLXN0YWdpbmcuZGF0YS5nb3YudWsvY2FzZXM_YXJlYVR5cGU9dXRsYSZhcmVhTmFtZT1HbG91Y2VzdGVyc2hpcmUifQ.T0O-jwps60yl2elxVCGbizI29B_PEheDVq6DdbD2tkY%252Fs%252F746211175%252Fbr%252F112857558306-l%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538916002%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3D6aRNAaB9Zkr%252F2zJyG0tP2z0zk6iKCw8Oov4j7MVL7yc%253D%26reserved%3D0)Please open in Google Chrome)CasesIn week 38 (Monday 13th September– Sunday 19thSeptember) there were 1,067 confirmed cases of COVID19.  Of these  cases:* 175 were in Stroud
* 207 were in Gloucester
* 158 were in Tewkesbury
* 166 were in Forest of Dean
* 200 were in Cheltenham
* 161 were in Cotswold

\* Please note these figures are provisional and subject to change. (Source: [https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/RWY8slTXbso/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Flnks.gd%252Fl%252FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDksInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MjQuNDYzOTc2MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL2Nvcm9uYXZpcnVzLmRhdGEuZ292LnVrLyJ9.TCqpG48wF7HlSju5B8KA9-K1xpahLg1mpNwuI2EJfpA%252Fs%252F746211175%252Fbr%252F112857558306-l%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538916002%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3DlsDIOOToUhowD5rT3GSJysvztv7A9yNGOya9UmX8NMM%253D%26reserved%3D0) as at 16:00 22/09/2021)The rate of cases in the last 7 days per 100,000 is 142.2 in Gloucestershire, 213.6 in the South West, and 262.9 in England[9](https://3c-lxa.mail.com/mail/client/mailbody/tmai16a8c5297b1ede56/true#x_Fn9).Deaths mentioning COVID19In week 36 (Saturday 4th September – Friday 10th September) there were 7 deaths mentioning “novel coronavirus (COVID-19)”, which is 5.5% of all deaths, this compares with 3 (2.9% of all deaths) in Week 35.\*Please note these figures are based on all deaths registered by the 18th September they are provisional and will be subject to change.  They include deaths that make any mention of COVID-19 on the death certificate.  (Source: Weekly provisional figures on deaths occurring and registered in England and Wales by Local Authority)*\*Please note the dates above, the ONS weeks run from Saturday- Friday and we are unable to change this.*  Deaths in NHS Trusts² - 631 (3 new).**Key links**[National 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* [UK vaccine swap with South Korea in joint effort against COVID-19](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/ZxOdzp-ZQLc/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Flnks.gd%252Fl%252FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMTQsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MjQuNDYzOTc2MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL3d3dy5nb3YudWsvZ292ZXJubWVudC9uZXdzL3VrLXZhY2NpbmUtc3dhcC13aXRoLXNvdXRoLWtvcmVhLWluLWpvaW50LWVmZm9ydC1hZ2FpbnN0LWNvdmlkLTE5In0.6HrVQUZi5e5WQSa1Y1rGWAIGOJYB9O9sliPNVt5ZFxM%252Fs%252F746211175%252Fbr%252F112857558306-l%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538975743%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3DjdR6i2iycs89jtZKKFw5Aq6TyLgGeBOVswkwQBu82iA%253D%26reserved%3D0)
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All deaths are recorded against the date of death rather than the date the deaths were announced. It is based on national NHS data [published here](https://deref-mail.com/mail/client/D7xIfzdbvFU/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Femea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%2F%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Flnks.gd%252Fl%252FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMTcsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyMTA5MjQuNDYzOTc2MzEiLCJ1cmwiOiJodHRwczovL2xua3MuZ2QvbC9leUpoYkdjaU9pSklVekkxTmlKOS5leUppZFd4c1pYUnBibDlzYVc1clgybGtJam94TVRVc0luVnlhU0k2SW1Kd01qcGpiR2xqYXlJc0ltSjFiR3hsZEdsdVgybGtJam9pTWpBeU1UQXlNVGd1TXpVME9EWTRNREVpTENKMWNtd2lPaUpvZEhSd2N6b3ZMM2QzZHk1bGJtZHNZVzVrTG01b2N5NTFheTl6ZEdGMGFYTjBhV056TDNOMFlYUnBjM1JwWTJGc0xYZHZjbXN0WVhKbFlYTXZZMjkyYVdRdE1Ua3RaR0ZwYkhrdFpHVmhkR2h6THlKOS5EUTJIR2hZemgzTjJSVFFlZTlyN2RkbUtqQU9jNFRZbXgyS29kWXBrTWdFL3MvMTE0NDcwMzA5My9ici85NzgzNjg1MjE5Ni1sIn0.7XRt2r-C1uK5XDtUgklYQmK4I4tdL4o9tsjZezBcI3A%252Fs%252F746211175%252Fbr%252F112857558306-l%26data%3D04%257C01%257C%257C7ed71d46450c46258b1508d97f38e004%257C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%257C1%257C0%257C637680704538985700%257CUnknown%257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%253D%257C1000%26sdata%3DhXB4YbED3uw9zCi08pwd5hKh68N6ThuGAkIzdRYDB7U%253D%26reserved%3D0).³ Weekly death figures provide provisional counts of the number of deaths registered in England and Wales for which data are available. From 31 March 2020 these figures also show the number of deaths involving coronavirus (COVID-19), based on any mention of COVID-19 on the death certificate. Figures by place of death may differ to previously published figures due to improvements in the way we code place of death. This figure does not include deaths of those resident outside England and Wales or those records where the place of residence is either missing or not yet fully coded. For this reason counts may differ to published figures when summed. Bank Holidays could affect the number of registrations made within those weeks.⁴ CQC publish figures on deaths where Covid-19 was suspected in the notification from the care home, as well as all cause mortality (since 10 April 2020). It is probable that not all deaths due to Covid-19 will be notified as such, conversely Covid-19 may be mentioned but not have been a contributory factor in a death). While CQC numbers are more comprehensive than local reporting, they are not currently reported by district council.⁵ Pillar 2 swab testing is available for the wider population, as set out in government guidance. It does not include inpatients and frontline healthcare workers.⁶ Please note that there is a possibility of last minute changes if the MTU’s are diverted to assist with outbreak control both in this county or elsewhere.⁷ Confirmed – this means a laboratory confirmed case of Covid19 from that setting. Suspected – this means there has been someone reporting Covid19 symptoms (new continuous cough or high temperature or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)) from the setting and swab result is awaited. Outbreak - An outbreak is where two or more persons with the confirmed or suspected COVID-19 who are linked through common exposure, personal characteristics, time or location. Incident - An incident is any event involving COVID-19 which presents a real or possible risk to the health of the public and requires urgent investigation and management.8 High risk settings are places where individuals live in close proximity to each other or are particularly vulnerable. These include care homes, supported living, student accommodation, homeless accommodation and schools. This would not include single cases in hospital settings.9Specimen date range used is 4 days before today and includes the preceding 7 days. This is due to the time it takes for a specimen to be taken, processed and notified (average 4 days)  |

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