

# COMMUNITY RESPONSE UNIT

## NEWSLETTER



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### Local Covid-19 Update

Hot off the press - unfortunately North West Leicestershire now sits top nationally for rate of infections. This morning our rate stood at 205 per 100,000, with the national average at around 86 per 100,000, so we are more than double the national rate. You can check out the data on the Government's [website](#) but please note that these latest figures still need to be uploaded, hopefully soon.

A huge amount of work has been done in the past week, working with our partners to identify why our rates are high and to take further targeted action.

Our rates have come down slightly but not as quickly as other parts of the country. So it is a case of everyone remembering to stay vigilant and 'Wash your Hands - Cover Face - Make Space'.

### Schools Return

As schools open on 8 March 2021 secondary school and college students will be tested twice a week, receiving three initial tests at school or college before transitioning to twice weekly home testing.

Primary school—if you're a member of a household, childcare bubble or support bubble of staff or a pupil you can get a twice-weekly test. Visit the [website](#) for more information.

### Personal Care Premises

Leicestershire Police is reminding everyone that personal care premises such as hairdressers and nail salons CANNOT reopen earlier than 12 April 2021.

If you know of a business that is still operating, please report either by calling 101, via Leicestershire Police [website](#) or contacting your local beat team.

Let's please work together in order to help reduce the rates in North West Leicestershire.

Remember these top tips:

- Stay at home, unless you have to go out for an essential reason
- Take extra care on public transport or in supermarkets
- Avoid car sharing, if you can, or take extra safety precautions.



### Free Training

RCC is offering an 'In Touch' loneliness awareness online training [course](#) that is designed to explain the common causes and effects of loneliness; talk through ways to reach out, connect and help others that may be experiencing loneliness; and sharing useful links, tools and resources to help tackle loneliness.



### Psychological First Aid

Public Health England (PHE) has launched a new Free psychological first aid (PFA) online training [course](#) to help support children and young people that have been affected by emergencies like the COVID-19 pandemic. The course takes up to three hours to complete and no previous qualifications are required.

### COVID-19 vaccination survey

The Clinical Commissioning Groups in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland have launched the COVID-19 vaccination survey exploring views of people in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, and what matters most to them. We want to understand if people are ready for their COVID-19 vaccine and how we can help them to feel reassured and confident in their decision to be vaccinated.

The [survey](#) closes on Friday 12 March 2021.



**Wash Hands**



**Cover Face**



**Make Space**

