

# Covid-19 Update

Coronavirus Emergency Committee

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

# UK Covid-19 Position

- Confirmed cases continue to decrease throughout England over the last month including across all Hertfordshire districts and all our neighbouring areas: Bedfordshire, Essex and London – though in the past week there has been an increase in Luton
- The 7 day rolling daily average for hospital admissions stood at 426 on 20 March, this is down by two-thirds from 1,322 on the 18 February and 90% from a peak of 4,232 on 9 January
- The 7 day rolling daily average for Covid related deaths stood at 78.9 on 20 March (407.7 on 18 Feb and 1,283.9 on 19 Jan)
- The latest England 'R' rate is 0.7-0.9 and The East of England 'R' rate is slightly lower at 0.6-0.9, which is the same as on 19 Feb
- The Chief Medical Officer has advised that it is a time to be cautious with the lifting of the stay at home restrictions

*Cases, Admissions & Vaccines update daily (4pm) <https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk>*

*R rate updates every Friday afternoon [www.gov.uk/guidance/the-r-number-in-the-uk](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-r-number-in-the-uk)*

# Local & National Epidemiology

	Stevenage	North Hertfordshire	Dacorum	Three River	Welwyn Hatfield	Broxbourne	Hertsmere	Watford	East Hertfordshire	St Albans	Hertfordshire	London	Essex	Luton	Bedford	Central Bedfordshire	England
week change	4	21	-13	2	-6	1	-16	-9	-11	-11	-38	-542	22	47	-33	-9	-2,743
13/03 - 19/03 Rate & Cases	76.3 67	38.2 51	33.0 51	33.2 31	33.3 41	29.8 29	29.5 31	28.0 27	24.0 36	18.2 27	32.9 391	33.6 3,011	35.2 524	129.5 276	31.7 55	43.3 125	53.9 30,363
week change	5	-9	-36	-11	-36	-3	7	-24	-4	10	-101	-259	-186	-4	-14	-10	-1,328
06/03 - 12/03 Rate & Cases	71.7 63	22.5 30	41.4 64	31.1 29	38.2 47	28.8 28	44.8 47	37.3 36	31.4 47	25.6 38	36.1 429	39.6 3,553	33.7 502	107.5 229	50.8 88	46.4 134	58.8 33,106
week change	-37	-33	-15	-35	-19	-21	-22	-28	-24	-57	-291	-2,896	-513	-184	-115	-118	-26,374
27/02 - 05/03 Rate & Cases	66.0 58	29.2 39	64.6 100	42.9 40	67.5 83	31.9 31	38.1 40	62.1 60	34.1 51	18.9 28	44.6 530	42.5 3,812	46.2 688	109.4 233	58.9 102	49.9 144	61.2 34,434
week change	-23	-18	8	-8	-34	-23	-23	8	-42	-10	-165	-842	-90	-37	-42	-4	-6,805
20/02 - 26/02 Rate & Cases	108.1 95	53.9 72	74.3 115	80.4 75	82.9 102	53.5 52	59.1 62	91.1 88	50.1 75	57.3 85	69.0 821	74.8 6,708	80.6 1,201	195.7 417	125.2 217	90.8 262	108.0 60,808
week change	-47	-55	-48	-27	-79	-27	-45	-68	8	-86	-474	-3,053	-345	-103	-82	-119	-13,190
13/02 - 19/02 Rate & Cases	134.3 118	67.4 90	69.1 107	88.9 83	110.5 136	77.1 75	81.0 85	82.8 80	78.1 117	64.0 95	82.9 986	84.2 7,550	86.7 1,291	213.1 454	149.5 259	92.2 266	120.1 67,613
week change	-82	-193	-256	-112	-250	-200	-229	-203	-203	-125	-1,939	-17,251	-2,484	-454	-349	-336	-71,306
06/02 - 12/02 Rate & Cases	187.8 165	108.6 145	100.2 155	117.9 110	174.7 215	104.9 102	123.9 130	153.2 148	72.8 109	121.9 181	122.7 1,460	118.3 10,603	109.9 1,636	261.4 557	196.8 341	133.4 385	143.6 80,803
week change	-82	-94	-148	-83	-150	-70	-112	-102	-149	-79	-1,069	-9,431	-1,317	-330	-158	-190	-37,644
30/01 - 05/02 Rate & Cases	285.7 251	182.7 244	169.9 263	148.9 139	256.0 315	238.5 232	235.4 247	257.8 249	108.8 163	152.9 227	195.9 2,330	205.6 18,423	188.2 2,803	319.6 681	307.0 532	184.0 531	203.4 114,465
week change	-143	-238	-123	-105	-211	-197	-112	-104	-191	-119	-1,543	-16,624	-2,362	-337	-264	-314	-66,283
23/01 - 29/01 Rate & Cases	379.1 333	253.1 338	265.6 411	237.9 222	377.9 465	310.4 302	342.2 359	363.4 351	208.4 312	206.1 306	285.7 3,399	310.8 27,854	276.7 4,120	474.5 1,011	398.2 690	249.8 721	270.2 152,109
week change	-125	-55	-190	-151	-200	-204	-230	-226	-174	-155	-1,710	-19,505	-2,766	-219	-257	-301	-63,413
16/01 - 22/01 Rate & Cases	541.9 476	431.2 576	345.0 534	350.4 327	549.4 676	513.0 499	448.9 471	471.1 455	335.9 503	286.3 425	415.5 4,942	496.3 44,478	435.3 6,482	632.7 1,348	550.5 954	358.6 1,035	388.0 218,392
week change	-173	-161	-278	-236	-237	-511	-289	-232	-359	-316	-2,792	-30,650	-6,191	-521	-439	-343	-89,854
09/01 - 15/01 Rate & Cases	684.2 601	472.4 631	467.8 724	512.2 478	711.9 876	722.7 703	668.1 701	705.1 681	452.1 677	390.7 580	559.2 6,652	713.9 63,983	621.0 9,248	735.5 1,567	698.8 1,211	462.8 1,336	500.7 281,805
week change	52	138	-82	-192	132	-150	-98	-68	-102	-229	-599	2,656	-1,377	451	111	-181	42,011
02/01 - 08/01 Rate & Cases	881.1 774	592.9 792	647.4 1,002	765.1 714	904.6 1,113	1,248.0 1,214	943.6 990	945.4 913	691.8 1,036	603.6 896	793.9 9,444	1,055.9 94,633	1,036.7 15,439	980.0 2,088	952.2 1,650	581.7 1,679	660.3 371,659
26/12 - 01/01 Rate & Cases	821.9 722	489.6 654	700.4 1,084	970.8 906	797.3 981	1,402.2 1,364	1,037.0 1,088	1,015.8 981	759.9 1,138	757.8 1,125	844.3 10,043	1,026.3 91,977	1,129.2 16,816	768.4 1,637	888.1 1,539	644.4 1,860	585.7 329,648

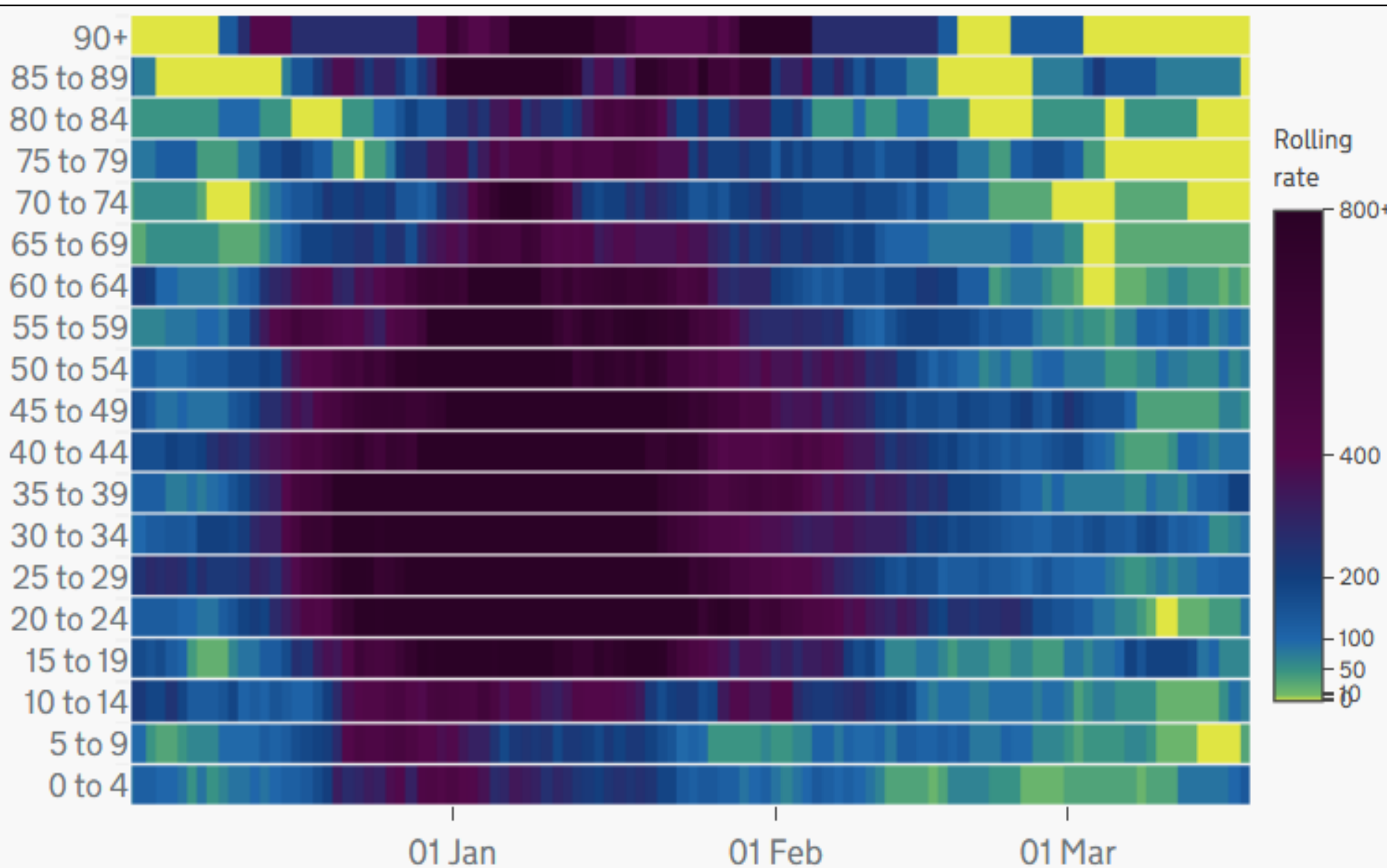
# Stevenage confirmed cases Geography (MSOA)

	St Nicholas	Pin Green + Old Town	Bedwell	Bandley Hill	Shephall	Symonds Green	Roebuck	Chells	Martins Wood	Woodfield + Old Town	Manor	Longmeadow	Stevenage
05/02 - 18/03 (6 weeks) Average Rate & Total Cases	181.0	134.5	123.6	112.4	109.8	105.1	103.5	100.3	99.9	93.6	59.6	54.0	108.1
	83	71	59	45	42	38	43	41	38	69	22	19	570
12/03 - 18/03 Rate & Cases	157.0	125.0	75.4	89.9	47.0	83.0	57.8	58.7	0.0	57.0	81.3	51.2	75.1
	12	11	6	6	3	5	4	4	0	7	5	3	66
05/03 - 11/03 Rate & Cases	117.8	102.3	62.9	149.9	0.0	49.8	72.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	113.9	0.0	54.6
	9	9	5	10	0	3	5	0	0	0	7	0	48
24/02 - 04/03 Rate & Cases	209.4	136.4	88.0	89.9	62.7	49.8	0.0	117.4	47.3	57.0	0.0	0.0	75.1
	16	12	7	6	4	3	0	8	3	7	0	0	66
19/02 - 25/02 Rate & Cases	196.3	125.0	163.4	75.0	109.8	0.0	101.1	73.4	189.3	48.8	81.3	85.3	103.6
	15	11	13	5	7	0	7	5	12	6	5	5	91
12/02 - 18/02 Rate & Cases	183.2	159.1	226.3	60.0	172.5	116.2	216.7	102.7	157.7	130.2	0.0	102.3	138.9
	14	14	18	4	11	7	15	7	10	16	0	6	122
05/02 - 11/02 Rate & Cases	222.5	159.1	125.7	209.9	266.5	332.0	173.3	249.4	205.0	268.6	81.3	85.3	201.5
	17	14	10	14	17	20	12	17	13	33	5	5	177

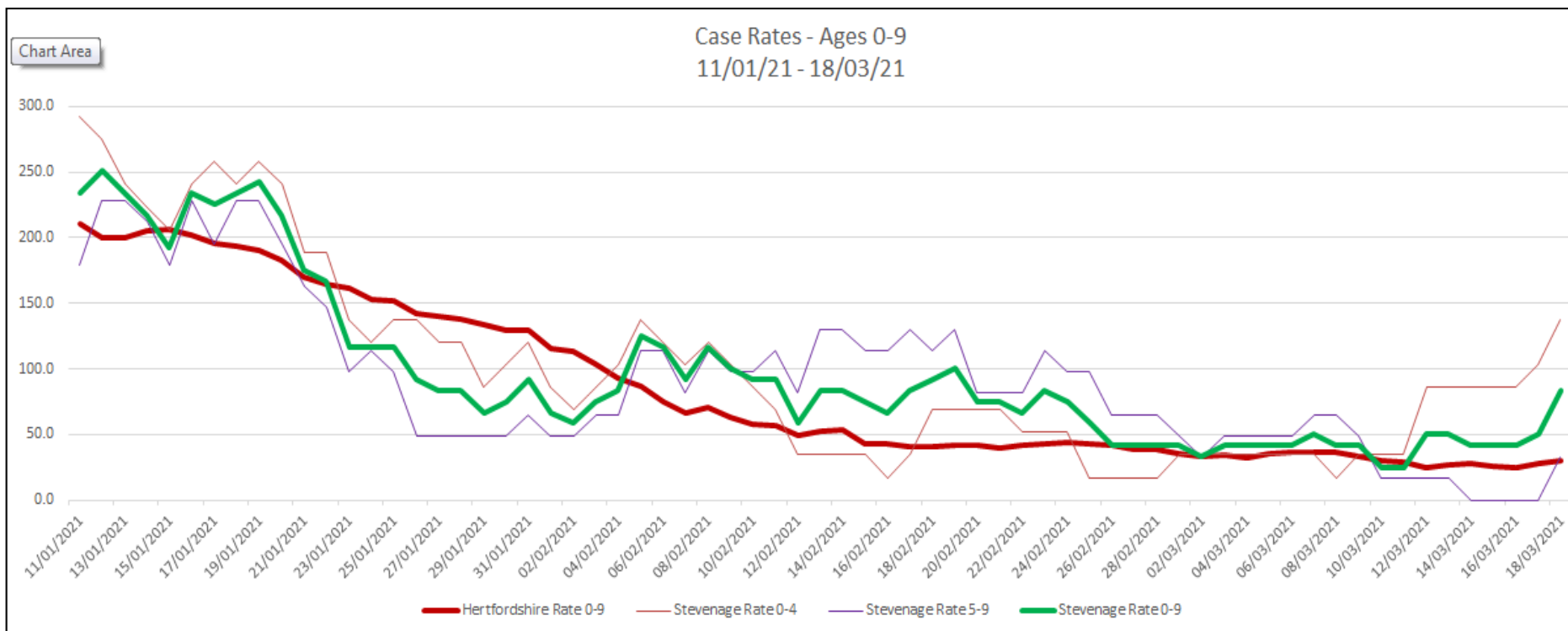
[https://hcc-phei.shinyapps.io/covid19\\_public\\_dashboard](https://hcc-phei.shinyapps.io/covid19_public_dashboard)

# Stevenage Cases by Age

<https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/details/cases?areaType=Itla&areaName=Stevenage>



# Stevenage Cases by Age (0-9)



		7 Day Rate 30/09/20	Change	7 Day Rate 25/10/21	Change	7 Day Rate 11/01/20	Change	7 Day Rate 25/01/21	Change	7 Day Rate 10/02/21	Change	7 Day Rate 24/02/21	Change	7 Day Rate 03/03/21	Change	7 Day Rate 18/03/21
Stevenage	0-5	0.0	34.4	34.4	257.6	292.0	-154.6	137.4	-51.5	85.9	-34.4	51.5	-17.1	34.4	103.0	137.4
	5-9	0.0	65.2	65.2	114.1	179.3	-81.5	97.8	0.0	97.8	0.0	97.8	-48.9	48.9	-16.3	32.6
	10-14	0.0	93.4	93.4	224.0	317.4	-149.4	168.0	74.7	242.7	-149.3	93.4	-37.4	56.0	18.7	74.7
Hertfordshire	0-5	16.3	40.7	57.0	169.6	226.6	-40.7	185.9	-118.0	67.9	-15.0	52.9	-16.3	36.6	-10.8	25.8
	5-9	3.7	38.4	42.1	153.3	195.4	-74.2	121.2	-71.7	49.5	-13.6	35.9	-3.7	32.2	1.2	33.4
	10-14	19.6	57.4	77.0	238.9	315.9	-167.1	148.8	-75.7	73.1	-33.9	39.2	-11.8	27.4	7.9	35.3

# Covid-19 related deaths in Hertfordshire

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/healthandsocialcare/causesofdeath/datasets/deathregistrationsandoccurrencesbylocalauthorityandhealthboard>

Week	Hertsmere	Three Rivers	Watford	St Albans	Broxbourne	North Hertfordshire	Welwyn Hatfield	Dacorum	Stevenage	East Hertfordshire	Total
Total 19 weeks	150	160	125	206	147	213	155	226	102	152	1,636
03/03 - 09/03	1	0	0	2	1	4	2	2	3	3	18
27/02 - 02/03	1	1	2	4	4	7	3	6	2	4	34
20/02 - 26/02	8	3	3	3	1	4	3	8	6	4	43
13/02 - 19/02	10	8	7	9	4	13	8	11	4	4	78
06/02 - 12/02	9	8	6	13	6	18	11	9	7	3	90
30/01 - 05/02	16	10	11	20	6	27	15	22	13	20	160
23/01 - 29/01	16	19	18	24	14	32	29	17	13	18	200
16/01 - 22/01	11	27	16	24	23	35	29	33	16	21	235
09/01 - 15/01	18	21	15	22	21	28	19	33	9	21	207
02/01 - 08/01	26	21	17	22	19	20	17	30	7	14	193
26/12 - 01/01	7	11	9	15	16	6	5	22	6	5	102
19/12 - 25/12	8	7	6	18	10	7	6	10	3	14	89
12/12 - 18/12	3	4	3	3	2	2	2	7	4	4	34
05/12 - 11/12	1	5	2	5	3	2	0	3	4	1	26
28/11 - 04/12	2	2	2	6	6	3	0	5	2	6	34
21/11 - 27/11	3	5	1	6	2	2	5	1	1	6	32
14/11 - 20/11	3	7	3	7	1	1	1	4	1	3	31
07/11 - 13/11	4	1	2	3	6	1	0	1	0	0	18
31/10 - 6/11	3	0	2	0	2	1	0	2	1	1	12
Rate per 100,000	326.9	273.2	270.3	237.8	237.5	234.3	218.6	234.6	185.6	170.3	235.9
Total	343	255	261	353	231	313	269	363	163	255	2,806

- This table shows the weekly Covid-19 related deaths by Hertfordshire district over the past 19 weeks of the second wave. We see weekly deaths across the county peaked in mid-January and have since come down to level not seen since early November.
- In the most recent week to 9 March, there were three additional deaths of Stevenage residents, bringing the total for the most recent 19 weeks since the end of October to 102, and an overall total of 163 since the start of the pandemic.
- Stevenage continues to have the second lowest rate per 100,000 population in the county, just ahead of East Hertfordshire.
- North East Hertfordshire has overall had a lower rate of death per 100,000 population than South West Hertfordshire for the whole pandemic.

# 4 Key Questions to Formulate Future Action (DPH)

**1. What is driving the rise in cases - where/type of location/community behaviour?**

- What does the deep dive/epidemiology say?
- What does soft intelligence say?
- What does contact tracing say?

**2. What has worked/could work to tackle this ?**

- Public health action/comms/enforcement/advice?
- Which Non-Pharmacological Interventions? check latest evidence

**3. What resources are needed and does mutual aid need to be considered?**

- Who should do what?

**4. Who will be the District Lead assigned to manage and report back any agreed actions?**

- What other structures or partners are needed?
- Report back to OTCG/HPB as needed

# Covid Road Map: Step 1B – 29<sup>th</sup> March

## STEP 1: 8 March



Schools and colleges are open for all students. Practical Higher Education Courses.



Recreation or exercise outdoors with household or one other person.  
No household mixing indoors.



Wraparound childcare.



Stay at home.



Funerals (30), wakes and weddings (6).

## 29 March



Rule of 6 or two households outdoors.  
No household mixing indoors.



Outdoor sport and leisure facilities.



Organised outdoor sport allowed (children and adults).



Minimise travel.  
No holidays.



Outdoor parent & child groups (up to 15 parents).

# National Update

- MPs have voted to extend the Government's emergency powers for a further six months
- The Government has updated the National Covid-19 Contain Framework
- A new UK Health Security Agency is to be launched next week and will take over the national pandemic response role
- £7B has been allocated to support the ongoing NHS response and for infection control within care settings
- Clinical extremely vulnerable people will no longer need to shield from 1<sup>st</sup> April
- Ministers are currently reviewing the possibility of introducing a document providing proof of vaccination against Covid
- The Government is to appoint contractors to carry out visits on those who have a duty to quarantine following international travel
- 48,000 businesses have now registered their interest in the Government's free workplace testing programme - <https://www.gov.uk/get-workplace-coronavirus-tests>
- A £56M Welcome Back Fund to help high streets and coastal resorts recover has been launched. This is for improvement to green spaces, more outdoor seating, and investment in markets and pop-up food stalls over the summer.

# Hertfordshire Local Resilience Forum (LRF) Update

- Acute trusts are now in a much better place:
  - **East and North Herts Health Trust** - 22 Covid-19 positive patients with two in critical care
  - **West Herts Hospital Trust** - Non-ICU Covid-19 patient numbers are down to 40. Supporting a significant number of poorly patients facing a long recovery
- Cases in care homes continue to reduce
- Transition support for those who were shielding is being put in place April and into May
- The Volunteering, People and Assistance Cell (VPAC) is taking into account the recently published national 'Practical Support for Self-Isolation' framework
- Hertfordshire authorities are to take on more local control of contact tracing
- The LRF is looking to extend the Covid Marshal Programme into 2022
- Communication Cell has been focusing on posting messages on the day of reflection and vaccine confidence and developing a bold young people campaign
- Latest surveillance report on inequalities has been published

# Self Isolation Financial Support

## **Test and Trace Support Payments (Standard) Scheme**

For eligible applicants who are in receipt of Housing Benefit, pension Credit, Income Support, Income-based jobseeker's Allowance, income related Employment and Support Allowance, Working Tax Credit or Universal Credit

## **Test and Trace Discretionary Payments Scheme**

For applicants who are not in receipt of any of the above qualifying benefits but who are on a low income and will face financial hardship as a result of not being able to work while they are self isolating

# Self Isolation Grants

Council	Pending	No of total applications	Ranking highest application no	Most grants given	Ranking highest spend	% rejected discretionarily	Ranking lowest %	Population 2019	Total Applications % of population	Ranking highest %	Grants given % of population (mandatory & Discretionary)	Ranking highest %
Broxbourne	0	1,195	2	562	1	59.47%	2	97,279	1.23%	1	0.58%	1
Welwyn Hatfield	0	1,457	1	458	2	45.87%	1	123,043	1.18%	2	0.37%	2
Watford	13	926	3	336	3	70.74%	6	96,577	0.96%	3	0.35%	3
North Hertfordshire	5	586	9	289	4	64.19%	5	133,570	0.44%	9	0.22%	4
Hertsmere	10	782	4	182	7	81.34%	8	104,919	0.75%	4	0.17%	5
Stevenage	42	622	8	143	8	80.23%	7	87,845	0.71%	5	0.16%	6
Dacorum	0	701	5	250	5	60.71%	3	154,763	0.45%	6	0.16%	7
East Herts	4	662	6	202	6	86.03%	9	149,748	0.44%	7	0.13%	8
St Albans	7	659	7	136	9	89.73%	10	148,452	0.44%	8	0.09%	9
Three Rivers	26	358	10	67	10	61.33%	4	93,323	0.38%	10	0.07%	10

# Refresh of Local Outbreak Plan

- Initial draft of v2 of the plan submitted by DPH 12/03/21 to DHSC
- 8 themes each with a number of workstreams
- 'Living with Covid' theme
- SBC plan to be revised to reflect the final document

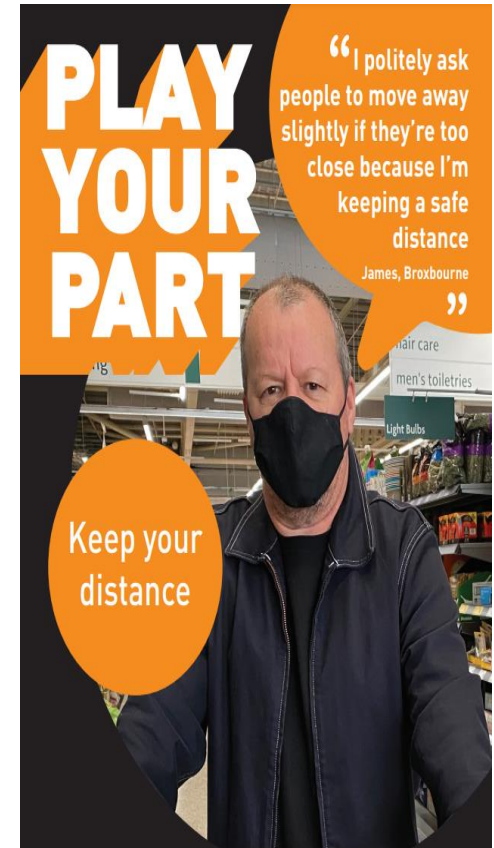
## COVID-19

### Hertfordshire Local Outbreak Plan



# Outbreak management

- Enhanced contact tracing in wards with high case rates
- Follow-up of common postcodes
- Roll-out of new HCC case management system and future contact tracing approach



If you develop symptoms, book a test at [www.nhs.uk](https://www.nhs.uk) or call 119

**NHS**



**Stevenage**  
BOROUGH COUNCIL

# Compliance and enforcement

## PLAY YOUR PART

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

We called at your property today to offer support to household members who are self-isolating

We couldn't speak to anyone, so we may need to visit again.  
We know self-isolating can be difficult. If you need extra support, contact HertsHelp which can assist with:

 Shopping	 Collecting medicines	 Staying active at home	 Mental health and wellbeing
 Loneliness	 Staying connected	 Money and work advice	 Pet care

Hertfordshire Domestic Abuse Helpline / 08 088 088 088  
Mental Health - Hertfordshire Single Point of Access / 0800 6444 101 / [hpft.spa@nhs.net](mailto:hpft.spa@nhs.net)  
Drug and Alcohol Recovery Services / 0800 652 3169 / [herts@cgsl.org.uk](mailto:herts@cgsl.org.uk)



Visit [www.hertshelp.net](http://www.hertshelp.net)  
email [info@hertshelp.net](mailto:info@hertshelp.net)  
or call 0300 123 4044



- Self-Isolation Action Day 18/03 successfully delivered locally
- Covid marshalling support offered to school head teachers
- Planning for implementation of newly-published Coronavirus “Steps” Regulations

# Community and Housing Response

- The Play Service has secured a small £2k grant through the HCC/Herts Sports Partnership HAPPY programme to run an outdoor play offer for local children during the Easter break
- 2 x new Covid Marshall's funded by Public Health have joined the Council to assist with public reassurance as lockdown restrictions ease
- Held 'Day of Reflection' on 23<sup>rd</sup> March to remember those who have lost their lives to Covid and to offer support to those bereaved
- 178 households currently in Emergency, Temporary and B&B accommodation at 19 March 2021
- Housing Rent Arrears = £1,015,938 as at 21 March 2021
- Court action delayed until 31 May 2021



# Government Support for Businesses

- **Coronavirus Business Retention Scheme – extended 30 Sep 2021**
- **Self Employment Income Support Scheme 4<sup>th</sup> Grant**
  - Available late April
  - Cap £7,500 open to those self-employed tax year 2019-2020
- **100% Business Rates Relief Extension** - April to June 2021 for Retail, Hospitality and Leisure
- **66% Business Rates Relief Extension** - July 2021 to March 2022 – Cap at £2m per business
- **£20 million SME Brexit Support Fund** - grants up to £2,000 to help adapt to new customs and tax rules
  - access practical support, including training for new customs, rules of origin and VAT processes.
  - eligible businesses must import or export goods between Great Britain & EU, or move goods between GB & Northern Ireland

# Business Support – Grants SBC

## Local Restriction Support Grants

- **LRSB (CLOSED) Grant** - businesses mandated to close during the national lockdown and the 2.12.20 to 15.12.20 & 19.12.20 to 4.1.2021 Tier announcements.
- **LRSB (OPEN) Grant** - support businesses within the hospitality, hotel, bed and breakfast and leisure sectors liable for business rates & able to remain open during 2.12.20 to 18.12.2020 (Tier 2) and 19.12 (Tier 3) announcements but have been impacted by the restrictions in place.

Businesses with or without business rates, who supply goods or services to this group of businesses and can demonstrate they were directly impacted by the restrictions, can also apply.

## Additional Restrictions Support Grant:

- Scheme aimed at businesses **NOT** mandated to close during the lockdowns and Tier restriction periods, but have suffered despite being able to remain open.
- Scheme also available to **businesses mandated to close but not liable for business rates. demonstrate** 20% of their turnover since January 2020
- **Grants of up to £6,000 are available to businesses in Stevenage.**

Closing date for applications is **31 March 2021**.

<https://www.stevenage.gov.uk/business-and-licensing/business-rates-support-grants>

## Restart Grants

- up to £6K per premises for non-essential retail businesses & £18K per premises for hospitality, accommodation, leisure, personal care and gym businesses

# Business Support Measures

## **Further support for commercial and residential tenants:**

- Ban on commercial evictions extended to 30 June to support businesses as they reopen.
- Bailiff enforced eviction ban extended to 31 May to protect residential tenants.

## **Extension of pavement licences to help high streets recover:**

- Pavement licences extended for a further 12 months to 30 September 2022
- Relaxation of planning rules to allow pubs and restaurants to operate as takeaways.
- Greater flexibility for land to be used for temporary events, such as markets and motorsports.
- Planning freedoms to allow outdoor markets, marquees, pop-up car-boot sales or summer fairs without the need of a planning application.

# Potential SBC Services Roadmap

## No earlier than 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021

- Operational services continue as they have throughout the pandemic
- CSC closed/remote service – open for appointments for most complex cases only
- Outdoor Bowls opens
- Repairs moving to fully operational (noting backlog to respond to in first instance)
- Caretaking fully operational
- Play – Easter Pop Up session arranged
- SLL – Golf opens
- Staff continue with work from home wherever possible

## No earlier than 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021

- CSC – remote service. Open for appointments only for case related enquiries
- Indoor Market opens
- Covid Marshalls will be in high footfall retail and other areas
- Community Centres open – differing timescales for each, noting some are already open for nursery provision
- Environmental Health – recommence Food Hygiene Inspections
- Indoor sports booking available
- SLL – Fitness Suite and Swimming
- Staff continue with work from home wherever possible

Play Areas and outdoor gyms – tbc - subject to the latest epidemiology data

# Potential SBC Services Roadmap

## No earlier than 17 May 2020

- CSC –Appointment bookings in-line with new Face to face approach.
- Housing to recommence non essential home visits
- Housing Investment – recommence non essential visits to plan works/improvements

## No earlier than 21 June 2021

- CSC - Appointment booking service for all Face to Face enquiries  
Customers that drop-in assisted to use self-service
- Independent Living – communal areas to open
- Play – need to review guidance when available for summer provision
- Plan to open aqua park for summer, subject to restrictions
- Museum closed until September 2021
- Visitor Centre to open
- No confirmed date for SLL Arts and Theatre to open currently

# Vaccines by Age & Region - 14<sup>th</sup> March


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		Under 55	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80+	Total LGA Inform
England	Vaccinated	6,155,862	1,990,253	2,602,107	2,547,451	2,672,829	1,968,202	2,694,027	20,630,731
	Population (Mid-Year 2019)	39,150,759	3,670,651	3,111,835	2,796,740	2,779,326	1,940,686	2,836,964	56,286,961
	Percentage	15.7%	54.2%	83.6%	91.1%	96.2%	101.4%	95.0%	36.7%
East of England	Vaccinated	688,189	213,255	306,265	308,961	335,689	248,088	342,058	2,442,505
	Population (Mid-Year 2019)	4,444,624	433,005	369,061	337,934	347,827	238,510	358,052	6,529,013
	Percentage	15.5%	49.3%	83.0%	91.4%	96.5%	104.0%	95.5%	37.4%
London	Vaccinated	962,225	295,420	313,952	265,892	244,108	173,428	253,322	2,508,347
	Population (Mid-Year 2019)	6,993,932	495,468	391,074	312,926	273,546	193,310	301,733	8,961,989
	Percentage	13.8%	59.6%	80.3%	85.0%	89.2%	89.7%	84.0%	28.0%
Midlands	Vaccinated	1,189,130	407,742	523,542	500,762	522,504	395,872	520,660	4,060,212
	Population (Mid-Year 2019)	7,305,241	694,394	589,600	545,416	540,061	386,766	540,399	10,601,877
	Percentage	16.3%	58.7%	88.8%	91.8%	96.7%	102.4%	96.3%	38.3%

		Under 55	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80+	Total LGA Inform
North East & Yorkshire	Vaccinated	923,587	290,532	387,845	421,807	443,998	313,475	427,292	3,208,536
	Population (Mid-Year 2019)	5,840,716	585,379	512,836	460,263	451,899	308,213	444,415	8,603,721
	Percentage	15.8%	49.6%	75.6%	91.6%	98.3%	101.7%	96.1%	37.3%
North West	Vaccinated	838,795	266,418	340,748	328,600	344,545	247,537	329,513	2,696,156
	Population (Mid-Year 2019)	4,881,649	472,097	399,933	359,385	354,577	247,695	346,076	7,061,412
	Percentage	17.2%	56.4%	85.2%	91.4%	97.2%	99.9%	95.2%	38.2%
South East	Vaccinated	931,825	308,575	434,787	417,420	451,242	339,685	478,281	3,361,815
	Population (Mid-Year 2019)	6,043,893	599,419	503,991	451,427	471,223	328,627	499,255	8,897,835
	Percentage	15.4%	51.5%	86.3%	92.5%	95.8%	103.4%	95.8%	37.8%
South West	Vaccinated	622,111	208,311	294,968	304,009	330,743	250,117	342,901	2,353,160
	Population (Mid-Year 2019)	3,640,704	390,889	345,340	329,389	340,193	237,565	347,034	5,631,114
	Percentage	17.1%	53.3%	85.4%	92.3%	97.2%	105.3%	98.8%	41.8%

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		Under 55	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80+	Total LGA Inform
North East Hertfordshire	Vaccinated	56,829	16,531	27,265	24,917	25,952	19,122	29,109	199,725
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	442,409	43,351	35,264	27,745	27,671	20,172	30,481	627,093
	Percentage	12.8%	38.1%	77.3%	89.8%	93.8%	94.8%	95.5%	31.8%
Stevenage 	Vaccinated	10,651	2,740	4,096	3,461	3,323	2,440	3,733	30,444
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	69,149	6,688	5,329	3,941	3,577	2,598	3,946	95,228
	Percentage	15.4%	41.0%	76.9%	87.8%	92.9%	93.9%	94.6%	32.0%
North Hertfordshire	Vaccinated	13,077	3,585	6,410	6,115	6,529	4,882	7,442	48,040
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	95,108	9,942	8,124	6,735	6,899	5,111	7,724	139,643
	Percentage	13.7%	36.1%	78.9%	90.8%	94.6%	95.5%	96.3%	34.4%
East Hertfordshire	Vaccinated	13,270	3,972	7,247	6,823	7,297	5,107	7,446	51,162
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	109,991	11,541	9,322	7,458	7,712	5,353	7,732	159,109
	Percentage	12.1%	34.4%	77.7%	91.5%	94.6%	95.4%	96.3%	32.2%
Welwyn Hatfield	Vaccinated	11,198	3,356	5,294	4,525	4,466	3,397	5,532	37,768
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	94,594	8,038	6,651	5,124	4,797	3,596	5,843	128,643
	Percentage	11.8%	41.8%	79.6%	88.3%	93.1%	94.5%	94.7%	29.4%
Broxbourne	Vaccinated	8,633	2,878	4,218	3,993	4,337	3,296	4,956	32,311
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	73,567	7,142	5,838	4,487	4,686	3,514	5,236	104,470
	Percentage	11.7%	40.3%	72.3%	89.0%	92.6%	93.8%	94.7%	30.9%

		Under 55	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80+	Total LGA Inform
South West Hertfordshire	Vaccinated	62,801	19,820	27,348	24,964	25,210	18,751	28,484	207,378
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	471,864	44,254	35,612	28,267	27,443	20,109	30,454	658,003
	Percentage	13.3%	44.8%	76.8%	88.3%	91.9%	93.2%	93.5%	31.5%
Dacorum	Vaccinated	14,427	4,393	7,000	6,885	6,718	4,876	7,291	51,590
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	115,784	11,426	9,629	7,667	7,265	5,179	7,796	164,746
	Percentage	12.5%	38.4%	72.7%	89.8%	92.5%	94.1%	93.5%	31.3%
Three Rivers	Vaccinated	10,426	3,671	4,669	4,156	4,321	3,186	4,773	35,202
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	70,536	7,352	5,804	4,689	4,681	3,408	5,101	101,571
	Percentage	14.8%	49.9%	80.4%	88.6%	92.3%	93.5%	93.6%	34.7%
St Albans	Vaccinated	12,077	4,116	6,695	6,153	6,352	4,778	7,460	47,631
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	115,892	10,874	8,571	6,815	6,816	5,070	7,838	161,876
	Percentage	10.4%	37.9%	78.1%	90.3%	93.2%	94.2%	95.2%	29.4%
Watford	Vaccinated	11,903	2,696	3,655	3,247	3,061	2,327	3,460	30,349
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	86,753	6,453	5,098	3,877	3,455	2,577	3,750	111,963
	Percentage	13.7%	41.8%	71.7%	83.8%	88.6%	90.3%	92.3%	27.1%
Hertsmere	Vaccinated	13,968	4,944	5,329	4,523	4,758	3,584	5,500	42,606
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	82,899	8,149	6,510	5,219	5,226	3,875	5,969	117,847
	Percentage	16.8%	60.7%	81.9%	86.7%	91.0%	92.5%	92.1%	36.2%

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Hertfordshire	Vaccinated	119,630	36,351	54,613	49,881	51,162	37,873	57,593	407,103
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	914,273	87,605	70,876	56,012	55,114	40,281	60,935	1,285,096
	Percentage	13.1%	41.5%	77.1%	89.1%	92.8%	94.0%	94.5%	31.7%

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St Nicholas	Vaccinated	1,118	234	277	231	244	144	180	2,428
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	6,908	493	382	274	265	159	193	8,674
	Percentage	16.2%	47.5%	72.5%	84.3%	92.1%	90.6%	93.3%	28.0%
Woodfield & Old Town	Vaccinated	1,641	384	576	497	507	390	552	4,547
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	9,425	894	704	561	533	406	583	13,106
	Percentage	17.4%	43.0%	81.8%	88.6%	95.1%	96.1%	94.7%	34.7%
Martins Wood	Vaccinated	773	222	299	237	238	194	279	2,242
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	4,937	538	395	272	259	203	296	6,900
	Percentage	15.7%	41.3%	75.7%	87.1%	91.9%	95.6%	94.3%	32.5%
Manor	Vaccinated	713	252	366	375	278	196	241	2,421
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	4,511	634	450	400	292	202	256	6,745
	Percentage	15.8%	39.7%	81.3%	93.8%	95.2%	97.0%	94.1%	35.9%
Symonds Green	Vaccinated	687	148	302	318	309	182	241	2,187
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	4,457	410	370	353	325	193	260	6,368
	Percentage	15.4%	36.1%	81.6%	90.1%	95.1%	94.3%	92.7%	34.3%
Pin Green & Old Town	Vaccinated	1,031	245	390	317	340	303	503	3,129
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	6,724	604	511	359	375	323	525	9,421
	Percentage	15.3%	40.6%	76.3%	88.3%	90.7%	93.8%	95.8%	33.2%

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Chells	Vaccinated	837	225	298	226	233	193	310	2,322
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	5,358	534	396	254	251	201	321	7,315
	Percentage	15.6%	42.1%	75.3%	89.0%	92.8%	96.0%	96.6%	31.7%
Bedwell	Vaccinated	938	206	285	211	224	174	319	2,357
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	6,795	533	426	263	257	183	340	8,797
	Percentage	13.8%	38.6%	66.9%	80.2%	87.2%	95.1%	93.8%	26.8%
Bandley Hill	Vaccinated	776	243	381	276	228	163	305	2,372
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	5,063	561	474	320	248	181	315	7,162
	Percentage	15.3%	43.3%	80.4%	86.3%	91.9%	90.1%	96.8%	33.1%
Shephall	Vaccinated	750	202	282	207	185	162	234	2,022
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	5,184	508	372	246	198	178	254	6,940
	Percentage	14.5%	39.8%	75.8%	84.1%	93.4%	91.0%	92.1%	29.1%
Roebuck	Vaccinated	777	186	307	270	266	179	300	2,285
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	5,478	499	420	313	289	194	317	7,510
	Percentage	14.2%	37.3%	73.1%	86.3%	92.0%	92.3%	94.6%	30.4%
Longmeadow	Vaccinated	610	193	333	296	271	160	269	2,132
	Population (NIMS Estimate)	4,309	480	429	326	285	175	286	6,290
	Percentage	14.2%	40.2%	77.6%	90.8%	95.1%	91.4%	94.1%	33.9%

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# Vaccine Myth Busting

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Culture	People from all walks of life have been part of the COVID-19 vaccine trials including healthcare professionals	<a href="#">View resource</a>
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These sessions were run as an information session for your staff to talk through the vaccine development and implementation and to answer any questions/concerns your staff may have in advance of receiving the vaccine.

Below you will find copy of the slides and recording you can view or share with wider teams.

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# Communications update

- #StaySafeStevenage Campaign ongoing - digital/online/print
- Marking a Year of Covid comms – led by the Mayor of Stevenage to residents and CEO to staff
- Focus on **Rapid Testing** messages
- Reassurance messages about the vaccine
- Digital screens/boards - live in Town Centre
- Frequently Asked Questions updated and shared on the council's website

