

COVID-19 (coronavirus) weekly update from Birmingham City Council

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Welcome to the coronavirus weekly update from Birmingham City Council.

The update lets you know about Birmingham City Council's services, public health information, general advice on Covid-19, and other relevant news from the council and our partners so that we can keep you informed. If you have friends and family who are not online, please share the information in this bulletin with them.

[You can find a full suite of information about Covid-19 on the council's website](#)



Covid-19 news

We're days away from restrictions lifting on 19 July, but there are [steps you can continue to take to reduce the risk of COVID-19](#), including: limiting close contact with people you don't live with; increasing close contact gradually; meeting outdoors where possible; letting fresh air into homes.

Please make sure you're protected by getting your COVID-19 vaccine. For maximum protection against COVID-19, [make sure you get both doses of your vaccine](#).

COVID-19 [walk-in vaccination appointments](#) are on offer across Birmingham. These appointments are for first doses and those eligible to receive a second dose (second dose appointments must be at least 8 weeks after the first appointment). Locations are subject to change, so please check the link on the day.

COVID testing is playing a vital role in keeping life moving for us all. Which test do you need and when? What's the difference between a PCR and lateral flow test? [Find out which COVID test you should be using.](#)

From Mon 19 July, COVID [restrictions will remain in place at University Hospital Birmingham settings](#). Please continue to wear facemasks and follow social distancing guidelines to help keep each other and vulnerable patients safe.

For [latest updates and advice on Coronavirus](#), please visit the government website.

Local news

The [West Midlands ticket ballot for the Commonwealth Games](#) is now open! With tickets priced from just £15 for adults and £8 for under-16s, which sport will you choose first?

You're being invited to have your say on [Perry Barr 2040 Masterplan proposals](#) for how to further improve the area over the next two decades.

The council has announced details of the latest element of the [A34 Perry Barr highways improvement scheme](#), including key dates for anyone who uses main transport routes in the area.

The council and Solihull Clinical Commissioning Group have released a joint statement on a [Special Educational Needs and Disability \(SEND\) re-inspection report](#).

Are you a Birmingham resident, aged 16-24, and not in any paid work or training? Or maybe you're looking to start a career in digital marketing, admin or customer service, hospitality, construction or the green sector? The council has exciting [Kickstart scheme opportunities](#).

Let the music play! The [37th Birmingham Sandwell and Westside Jazz Festival](#) takes place until 1 August, featuring a range of artists.

Council questions? Did YOU know you can contact our council Customer Services team on Twitter, to help you with any service enquiries you may have? Use this account: [@BCC_Help](#)
