

SUFFOLK CORONAWATCH BULLETIN

12 July 2021

Dear all,

This bulletin is a little later today because we wanted to include details of the Prime Minister's announcement at 5pm this evening. Please see new update below

With best wishes,

**Cllr Matthew Hicks, Leader of Suffolk County Council
Chair of the Suffolk Local Outbreak Engagement Board**

**Nicola Beach
Chief Executive, Suffolk County Council**

**Stuart Keeble, Director for Public Health in Suffolk
Chair of the Suffolk Health Protection Board**

CORONAVIRUS IN SUFFOLK

Update

Suffolk Cases

As of 12 July there have been **32,496** total lab-confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Suffolk. In total there have been **4268.2** cases of COVID-19 per 100,000 people. This is the

lowest overall COVID-19 case rate in the East of England.

District case rate as of 11 July 2021

Name	Daily Cases reported	Weekly Cases reported	Weekly case rate*	Trend	Total Cases	Total Case Rate	National Rate Rank (of 358)
Babergh	25	145	119.5	↑	4,191	4553.7	299
East Suffolk	37	247	55.7	↑	9,443	3785.4	322
Ipswich	0	228	109.6	↑	8,110	5923.5	235
Mid Suffolk	0	151	78.0	↑	3,624	3488.1	329
West Suffolk	28	195	91.0	↑	7,128	3981.1	318
Suffolk	43	919	84.5	↑	32,496	4268.2	
East of England	2,097	15,045	199.1	↑	428,214	6866.7	
England	28,421	193,902	301.5	↑	4,450,372	7906.6	

From 2 July, the number of lab-confirmed positive cases now includes those identified by testing in all settings (pillars 1 and 2). Pillar 2 refers to tests in commercial labs working in partnership with the NHS. Previously, only Pillar 1 confirmed cases were included (tests completed in NHS labs).

SUFFOLK CORONAVIRUS NEWS

Lockdown restrictions in England will be lifted on Monday, 19 July

This evening Prime Minister Boris Johnson announced that nearly all legal social distancing measures in England will be lifted on Monday, 19 July as the country moves to the final stages of Covid easing.

From next Monday, the legal requirement to wear face coverings in nearly all indoor public places will be lifted in England, there will also no longer be any limits on

how many people can meet indoors or outside, all businesses including nightclubs can re-open and the 1meter-plus distancing rule will be removed. Prime Minister Johnson went on to explain that he felt working from home is expected to end gradually over the summer after restrictions ease.

However, the Government is advising that face coverings are still "expected and recommended" in crowded indoor areas, such as public transport. Additionally, the requirement to self-isolate if you are contacted by NHS Test and Trace will remain in place until 16 August, when it will be relaxed for people who are fully vaccinated and for the under-18s.

The Prime Minister also strongly encouraged those who have yet to have a vaccine to get one to help protect themselves and others and because he encouraged nightclubs and other venues to make use of NHS apps' Covid passports as a means of entry. The system means that doubled-vaccinated people and those with a negative Covid test result can enter events or clubs.

For all the latest Government advice [click here](#).

COVID-19 jab our 'best defence' say Waveney's health leaders

Ninety percent of people over the age of 18 have had their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine, with 70% of this group having had their second dose, newly released figures show today.

According to data [published by NHS England and NHS Improvement](#) Norfolk and Waveney continues to make excellent progress with vaccinations for younger people with 63% of 18-24 year olds; 73% of 25-29 year olds and 82% of 30-34 year olds having received their first dose.

Increased numbers of bookable appointments and walk-in slots are currently available to meet the demand from younger people, making it easier than ever to protect yourself and other.

Learn more on the [CCG's website](#).

NATIONAL CORONAVIRUS NEWS

UK Cases

As of 4.00pm on 12 July: 5,121,245 people have tested positive for COVID-19 in the UK (pillar 1 and pillar 2 testing). **128,425 have died** (within 28 days of a positive COVID-19 test) across all settings in the UK. You can view the latest UK dashboard and cases by local authority [here](#).

In the UK during the last 24 hours there were **31,772** new cases and **26** deaths.

Current UK Alert Level: 3

On Monday May 20, following advice from the Joint Biosecurity Centre and in the light of the most recent data, the four UK Chief Medical Officers and NHS England National Medical Director agreed that the UK [alert level](#) should move from level 4 to level 3 in all nations.



The current Government messaging is *'Hands, Face, Space'* (previously *'stay alert, control the virus, save lives'* and *'stay at home, protect the NHS, save lives'*)

Hands: wash your hands regularly and for 20 seconds.

Face: Wear a face covering in indoor settings where social distancing may be difficult, and where you will come into contact with people you do not normally meet.

Space: Stay 2 metres apart from people you do not live with where possible, or 1 metre with extra precautions in place (such as wearing face coverings or increasing ventilation indoors).

Fresh Air: Meet in the fresh air to help stop the spread of COVID-19.


