

Covid19

The rate of infections across the district has increased to 314/100,000 from 225 last week, the over 60's rate has increased to 120/100,000 (85 last week) with 51 cases over the last seven days. Other districts rates in Warwickshire, for all ages, are Nuneaton & Bedworth 374/100,000, North Warwickshire 322/100,000, Warwick 302/100,000 and Rugby 446/100,000. Warwickshire overall has gone from 299/100,000 to 350/100,000. England 330/100,000.

There have been no further Covid related deaths across Stratford District (total now 143 from the start of this second wave (28 th August 2020) 37 occurring in care homes, 93 in hospital, two in a hospice and 10 at home and one in a communal establishment, out of a total of 1,357 all cause deaths in the district for this new second wave period.

The cumulative total of deaths across Warwickshire for Wave 2 increased by 3 this week (693) with a total of 5,703 all cause deaths. The cumulative total of Covid-19 deaths in Stratford district is 311 since the start of the pandemic and in Warwickshire 1,294 (10,084 total deaths).

MAJOR FIRE LEAMINGTON -UPDATE SATURDAY Following a night of activity for the Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Service and other partners, the situation is now under control.

Our firefighters continued to work overnight damping down the fire. The smoke plume has all but disappeared overnight and the fire is now largely extinguished.

This incident has now moved from a fire to a chemical clear up and specialist chemical advice is being used in relation to this.

When the building is safe to enter, firefighters will do so.

The next priority is to reopen the roads and access.

Whilst the status of the incident has now been downgraded from 'Major', significant police presence remained overnight and will continue with enforcing the cordon for as long as it is necessary. Residents are now being allowed back into properties and to collect vehicles.

Roads in Queensway have now reopened. This includes the junctions with Kingsway and Tachbrook Road, therefore businesses in this area, including McDonalds and Aldi, will now be accessible by car.

Road closures on Juno Drive and Hermes Close are likely to remain until the end of the

Bank Holiday.

The debris clear-up started yesterday and will continue today. The debris has been analysed and is not considered to be toxic. Similarly, tests on air quality in the area carried out last night and this morning indicate no risk to public health in the area. Residents who were evacuated will be able to return to their properties and they will be informed about this.

Partners at Warwick District Council will support the clean up today. Which leads me to acknowledging the superb engagement from the community over the last 24 hours.

Residents and businesses reacted positively throughout, and their co-operation has been extremely helpful.

Likewise, the support of all of WFRS partners, agencies within Warwickshire and those neighbouring authorities who provided resources and support have been critical in managing the operation. Such superb partnership spirit and collaboration has mitigated this tragic incident, and my thoughts are with the family of the missing person.

Holiday activity and food programme

Around 17,000 children across Warwickshire will benefit from the holiday activities and food programme over the summer break, This scheme provides free, enriching, holiday activities and healthy food for families eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2342/around-17-000-children-in-warwickshire-to-benefit-from-activity-and-food-programme>

HWRC Car and Trailer Bookings

Improvements to household waste recycling keep coming as trailer bookings are now available at three sites across Warwickshire.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2340/car-and-trailer-bookings-now-available-at-warwickshire-household-waste-recycling-centres>

Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership asks public for views on new road safety Strategy to 2030

Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership (WRSP) is asking the public for their views on how the county's roads can be made safer by taking part in a public consultation on a new Warwickshire road safety 'Strategy to 2030'.

Find out more: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2356/warwickshire-road-safety-partnership-asks-public-for-views-on-new-road-safety-strategy-to-2030

Residents asked to stay safe outdoors this summer

Warwickshire residents are being asked to stay safe outdoors this summer as people spend time at the coast in the UK and outside at leisure spots in the county.

Read more: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2347/warwickshire-residents-asked-to-stay-safe-outdoors-this-summer-

Early years education

Parents of young children across the county are being encouraged to contact their local early years provider and find out how they can access their child's Early Education Funding.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2364/find-out-what-funding-is-available-for-your-child-to-access-an-early-years-education>

Trading Standards Forward Plan

Warwickshire County Council's Trading Standards Service has defined how it intends to protect consumers and support the growth of Warwickshire businesses with the launch of its new business plan.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2366/trading-standards-sets-out-its-plan-for-the-future>

Women's Tour Update

More exciting news for fans of world-class cycling in Warwickshire as Annemiek van Vleuten, Olympic time trial champion and road race silver medallist, has confirmed that the 2021 Women's Tour will be on her end of season programme.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2365/olympic-gold-and-silver-medallist-confirmed-for-atherstone-women-s-tour-time-trial>

Educaterers School Meal Tips

School caterers, Educaterers, are posting a series of helpful tips and reassuring messages on their Twitter account (@educaterers) over the next two weeks aimed at parents of children who are starting school next month.

Find out more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2363/educaterers-support-parents-with-starting-school-nerves-with-school-meal-tips>

Plastic Pollution

We all have a part to play in reducing plastic pollution. Recycling is a key part of this; ensuring that plastic is kept in the economy and out of the environment. It's important to remember that, where possible, we should reduce or re-use before recycling.

<http://ow.ly/9laF50FWRaV>

Bus Service Improvement Plan

Warwickshire's residents are being asked to help shape an ambitious plan for the future of bus services in the county. We really want to know your thoughts.

Visit https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/insights-service/bus-service-improvement-plan/consult_view/ to take part in our engagement survey.

Creative Wellbeing in Nature

Creative Wellbeing in Nature is a free outdoor course in Warwick to support your mental health.

The Escape Arts Arts & Nature programme funded by Warwickshire County Council

For information, <https://bit.ly/2XnZV0v>

Support for Afghan Refugees

As news emerges of the people arriving from Afghanistan seeking refuge in the UK, Warwickshire residents have been quick to step forward and offer their support.

Read more: <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/2370/warm-hearted-warwickshire-residents-show-support-for-afghan-families>

Case work

Concerns over road safety . It was really positive to meet with Cllrs from Wellesbourne Parish Council and Warwickshire police over road safety concerns. It was also positive to see the Wellesbourne PC “20 Is plenty” highly visible as I drove through the village.



Drink/drug driving The Warwickshire Road Safety Partnership is a multi-agency team set up to reduce the amount of people killed or seriously injured on Warwickshire roads). This week the police made the WRSP aware that over the past year, numbers of people stopped, driving under the influence of drugs were at similar levels to those driving under the influence of alcohol.

Missed bins -Contacts are streetscene@stratford-dc.gov.uk or Telephone: 01789 260616

<https://www.stratford.gov.uk/online-forms/missed-bin-report-form.cfm>

Reporting out of hours highways issues can be challenging, the best number for that is 01926 415000.

streetlighting@warwickshire.gov.uk or 01926 412515 (not all are currently owned by WCC – some owned by town or parish council.)

<https://www.fixmystreet.com/reports/Warwickshire>

Stay Safe and Well

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