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## Sandwell News

**SANDWELL**  
is here to **HELP**

Updates from  
the council on

**CORONAVIRUS**

 HM Government

 NHS

**CORONAVIRUS**  
**STAY HOME TO HELP US SAVE LIVES**

**ACT LIKE YOU'VE GOT IT,  
ANYONE CAN SPREAD IT.**

**STAY HOME ▶ PROTECT THE NHS ▶ SAVE LIVES**

# What to do with your waste

If you or someone in your home has symptoms of coronavirus (Covid-19), then please follow this advice to help to keep your family and our crews safe when disposing of waste such as used tissues, disposable gloves and cleaning cloths.

**DOUBLE BAG** this kind of waste



Leave separate and secure for  
**72 hours** (3 days)

24  
HOURS

48  
HOURS

72  
HOURS



Put it in your household rubbish bin and place  
it out for collection by **6:45am** on your bin day



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# This car park is closed

Please **do not** make non-essential journeys

If you are exercising, you should do so in the area **around your home**

If you are walking here, please observe social distancing and stay at least **two metres** away from other people

Together we can all help reduce the spread of coronavirus – thank you




## Sandwell Valley car parks closed

Our car parks at Sandwell Valley Country Park, Dartmouth Park, Forge Mill Farm and Swan Pool are now closed. This is to encourage social distancing and to discourage non-essential journeys.

[For more information on car parks.](#)

## Domestic abuse

This is a challenging time for everyone – please know there is still help, advice and support available for anyone experiencing domestic abuse.

You can go online to report domestic abuse at [www.west-midlands.police.uk](http://www.west-midlands.police.uk) which may be safer than calling if it's not an emergency. You can also webchat police staff for help and advice.

Always call 999 if you are in immediate danger and your life is threatened.





For support, call Black Country Women's Aid on 0121 552 6448 or email [info@blackcountrywomensaid.co.uk](mailto:info@blackcountrywomensaid.co.uk)

Respect offers a phone and webchat service for those looking for support to manage their behaviour – [www.respectphoneline.org.uk](http://www.respectphoneline.org.uk) or call 0808 8024040.

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## Periods don't stop for pandemics

Sandwell Council is appealing for period products to give out to women struggling to get supplies during the COVID-19 lockdown.

The council was already addressing period poverty in the borough before the coronavirus crisis hit, with the #GirlCodeSandwell, in partnership with schools and the NHS, providing free sanitary products.

Now there is an urgent need to make them available to women and girls dealing with self-isolation because of COVID-19.

If you would like to help with this or anything please visit the [Coronavirus can you help webpage](#)

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**CALLING SANDWELL BUSINESSES**

**Can you help with PPE?**

Do you have any spare personal protective equipment (PPE) you are not using?

**We're looking for donations of...**

- Fluid repellent face masks
- Single use disposable gloves
- Aprons and paper overalls
- Hand sanitiser

## Can you help with PPE?

We're doing all we can to keep our residents and care teams safe during the coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic. But we need the equipment to protect our staff while they go about their jobs caring for people, helping the vulnerable and delivering supplies to the people most in need.

Some council services also need paper overalls and hand sanitiser for people who are doing deliveries and working on various sites throughout the day.

[Anyone who can donate should fill in the form for businesses](#)

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IF YOU'VE SEEN USEFUL INFORMATION  
ABOUT COUNCIL SERVICES  
PLEASE  
**PASS IT ON**



## Stay connected

Do you have neighbours who aren't online?

Please help us by passing on useful information about bin collections (and other council services).

Please let them know (from a safe distance!)

[Send this link to anyone you think would like to get our email updates](#)

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# Help us stop the spread of infection

**Only use lifts when no-one else is using them**

**Avoid congregating in communal areas**

**Keep in touch with vulnerable neighbours – by phone or internet**

**Keep at a safe distance of at least 2m (6ft 6 inches) from others**

**Please wash your hands regularly – especially after using doors and lifts**

**Help us save lives and protect the NHS by staying at home**

## Advice for tenants in flats

Our staff are doing everything they can to deliver essential services during the current coronavirus (Covid-19) outbreak. Please don't don't leave waste or bulky items in the communal areas at any time.

[More information for tenants in flats](#)

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## Changes to how you register a death

Due to a change in the law during the [current coronavirus pandemic](#), all death registrations now need to be completed by telephone on 0121 368 1188.

If a death has occurred in Sandwell it must be registered by [Sandwell Register Office](#) within five days from when it occurred. However, if the Coroner is involved this period may be extended.

**Report a problem or request a service**  
**ONLINE** 

During these difficult times we want to keep our phone lines free for those who do not have access to the internet. This will give our staff more time to help those in most need of our support.

Go to, [www.sandwell.gov.uk/mysandwell](http://www.sandwell.gov.uk/mysandwell)



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