



Sandwell News

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Every action counts.



Cases are dangerously high in our area!

Around 1 in 3 people with Covid-19 have no symptoms and could unknowingly pass the virus to someone and make them very ill.

 You must stay at home. The single most important action we can all take is to stay at home to protect the NHS and save lives.

 You must not leave your home except where necessary

for reasons such as shopping for food and other essentials, medical assistance, for your own safety, daily exercise or if you cannot reasonably work from home.

We must do this to protect each other and prevent our health service from being overwhelmed.

Keep up-to-date with the latest Covid-19 infection rates in Sandwell



Covid-19 vaccine

The NHS will get in touch when it's your turn to be vaccinated

Find out about the roll-out at nhs.uk/CovidVaccine



MBE for Haleema Yousaf

We're delighted that [Haleema Yousaf was awarded an MBE in the New Year's Honours List 2021](#) for services to children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

Haleema, team leader of Sandwell Council's Fair Access, Exclusion and Reintegration Team, said she was "humbled" to receive the honour and described it as an achievement for the whole team.

We also congratulate former Westminster School headteacher Christine Hill who was awarded an OBE for her dedication in helping youngsters with special educational needs and disabilities.

Time is running out

Don't forget - if your child is due to start primary school in September 2021, you have until Friday 15 January to apply for their school place.

[To apply, go to the school places webpage](#) before the deadline.





We are still open and still offering support during lockdown.



Black Country Women's Aid is an independent charity which has supported survivors of domestic abuse and sexual violence in the West Midlands for 30 years.

From Gov.UK:



Household isolation instructions as a result of coronavirus **do not apply if you need to leave your home to escape domestic abuse.**

Don't suffer in silence during lockdown.

- Call our **24-hour helpline** 0121 552 6448
- Text or **WhatsApp us** on 07384 466 181 (9am-9pm weekdays)
- Call **999 in an emergency**
- **Visit our website** for more information

www.blackcountrywomensaid.co.uk



Thinking of selling your home? 



Looking to sell your home?

We are buying more homes in Sandwell to boost the council's housing stocks.

This will help meet the demand for affordable housing, adding to the many new council homes we're building.

If you are thinking about selling your home and would like further information, please email

property_purchases@sandwell.gov.uk

Car cruising injunction latest

Councils in the Black Country – including Sandwell – will return to the High Court on 27 January to seek the [renewal of an injunction banning car cruising the region for a further three years](#).

The application will request an extension of the existing injunction, as well as a variation to it so that it applies not only to people organising and participating in a car cruise, but to spectators as well.

You can comment on the injunction and these plans by emailing litigation@wolverhampton.gov.uk by 4pm, Thursday 21 January. Comments received will be presented as evidence to the High Court.

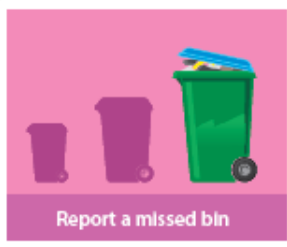
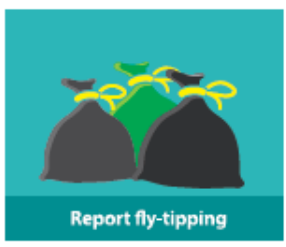
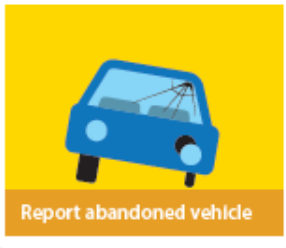


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That's why we should all get a Covid-19 test regularly.

GET YOUR FREE RAPID TEST NOW



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