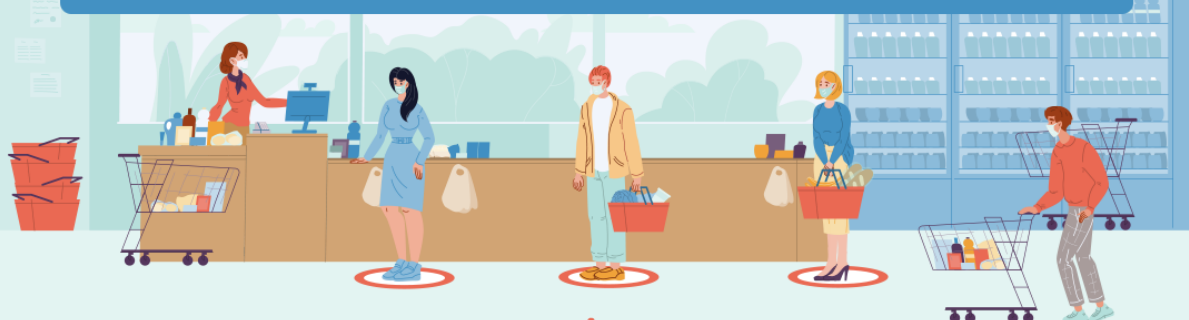




Sandwell News

Around 1 in 3 people with COVID-19 have no symptoms.



Every action counts.



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

Back to school on Monday - get a test

Free rapid home tests for households with school age children

Adults with school aged children (or if you are in a bubble with a household with school children) can now get free rapid Covid-19 tests to use at home.

We're asking adults with children to test themselves every three or four days from next week.

You can pick up boxes of these tests from testing sites in Smethwick, Tipton and West Bromwich now - no need to book, just collect them between 1.30pm and 7pm any day.



Collect your tests from:

Car park, St Paul's Road, Smethwick, B66 1EG

Car park in Jubilee Park, Powis Avenue, Tipton, DY4 0RL

Car park, Temple Street, West Bromwich, B70 9AF

[Keep up to date with the latest Covid-19 stats for Sandwell](#)



International Women's Day

This Monday 8 March, Sandwell celebrates International Women's Day.

This year we have created [a short video that draws attention to the difference individuals can make, with specific emphasis on our key workers.](#)

[International Women's Day 2021](#)

campaign theme is [#ChooseToChallenge](#) and women are raising their hands to show their support and solidarity.

Sandwell has built an inclusive workplace, so women's careers can thrive and achievements are celebrated.

Remember - the other diseases haven't gone away - get checked if you're worried

If you've had a cough for three weeks and it isn't Covid-19 it could be a sign of cancer.

It's probably nothing serious, but if it is cancer, finding it early makes it more treatable.

The NHS is there to see you, safely. Contact your GP.



JUST CONTACT
YOUR GP
PRACTICE

Clear on
cancer help us
help you

Regenerating our towns continues

Sandwell's bids to the Government's Towns Fund have been granted in yesterday's Budget, with the borough on course to secure £67.5 million of investment.



The Towns Fund grants have been awarded to:

- Rowley Regis (including parts of Oldbury),
- Smethwick and
- West Bromwich.

This is the largest amount to any local authority area and will be a fantastic long-term regeneration boost for our towns. [More information on the Towns Fund](#)



Have your say on active travel in Sandwell

We are excited to announce a new programme of cycling and walking schemes to be delivered in Sandwell and the West Midlands region.

There are four new areas we have identified for improvements within Sandwell, which include widening pavements in town centres, new crossing points for pedestrians and cyclists, new cycle lanes and much more.

[Have your say on the Sandwell schemes](#)

Census 2021 is coming

[Census day is on Sunday 21 March](#). Your household should get a letter with online codes explaining how to complete your forms. An information pack explaining how to complete your census will be posted to each house addressed to "The Householder".

If you don't receive an information pack in the next couple of weeks, please get in touch with the census contact centre by calling 0800 141 2021 or visit the [Census 2021 website](#). You can also request a paper questionnaire if you'd prefer to complete your census that way.



In addition to the classic three symptoms, you can also book a COVID-19 'PCR' test if you have any of the following:

- ▶ **headaches**
- ▶ **aches and pains**
- ▶ **feeling very tired for no good reason**
- ▶ **sore throat**
- ▶ **runny nose**
- ▶ **sneezing**
- ▶ **tummy ache in children**

Don't leave it to chance,
book your test today

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Report abandoned vehicle



Book a bulky collection

CALENDAR						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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When is my bin day?



Report fly-tipping



Report a missed bin



Report a street light

my.sandwell.gov.uk

