



Sandwell News

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STAY HOME
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**PROTECT
THE NHS**
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SAVE LIVES

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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Back to school survey

The government has announced children will start to go back to school next week (from Monday 8 March). We bet children (and some parents) are really excited.

[We would love to hear views from parents and children in our survey.](#) We know schools have worked really hard to keep pupils safe.

[Fill in our survey](#) and let us know what works well and what you would like to see more of.


Have you had your vaccination yet?

👍👍👍❤️ 9 out of 10 over 70s in Sandwell have had their first vaccination dose so far! That's an incredible achievement.

We also have around 100 Community Vaccination Leaders promoting the jab in their communities.

Please [accept your vaccination when it's offered and protect yourself from Covid-19](#) ❤️

“ **Dr Simon Mitchell** Rowley Regis GP



As a local GP, I would urge everyone in Sandwell to take up the opportunity of having the Covid-19 vaccine as soon as it is offered. The process is simple and safe.

This is the single most important thing you can do now to protect yourself and we are here to help you.

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Could you help older or vulnerable people with shopping?

Sandwell still has a high Covid-19 infection rate and we are still seeing a worrying number of cases in people aged 65 and older.

If you have older family, friends or neighbours, please encourage them to stay at home. Why not check if they need any shopping while you pop out for your own essentials?



And please remember, if you go out for essential reasons: hands, face, space.

Exciting news on Sandwell Aquatics Centre

The latest competition schedule for the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games is now live.

Starting from Friday 29 July 2022, the busiest venue during the Games will be the brand-new Sandwell Aquatics Centre in Smethwick, with 66 medal events in swimming, para swimming and diving being held throughout the 11 days of competition. [View the schedule online.](#)



What have you created or made during lockdown?

*Please share your creative
projects & stories with us*



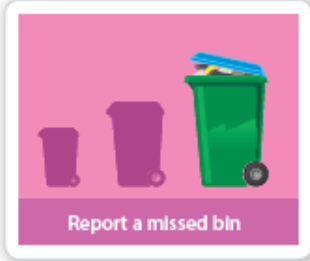
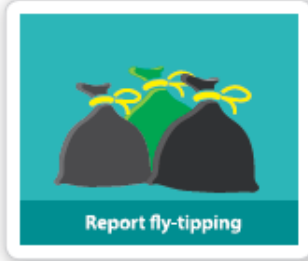
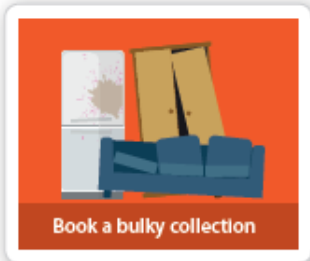
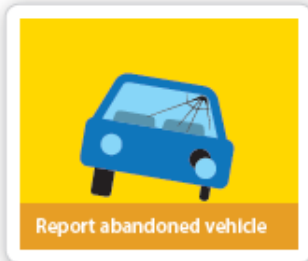
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according to **CRADLEY HEATH**



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