



Sandwell News



**Your fortnightly
garden waste
bin collections start
end of February**

Bin dates will be
available at:

www.sandwell.gov.uk/binday

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Garden waste collections start next week

The first collections are next week and the week after - so your first collection will be between 28 February and 11 March.

[You can find out when your green bin will be collected.](#)

Walk with Pride this weekend

!! Don't forget, this Saturday is our community 'Walk With Pride' at Sandwell Valley, followed by lots of free, fun stuff.

🌳 Bring the kids, pals and your doggo for a wonderful walk around the country park.

🏆 We have medals for the kids, crafts, freebies, t-shirt painting, face painting, team games, music, entertainment and more. All completely FREE.

📍 Meet us inside Sandwell Park Farm, Salters Lane, West Bromwich, B71 4BG (look out for the signs) at 10.30am this Saturday 26 February. Don't miss it!



Shining a light on Sandwell

Cultural events across Sandwell in the build-up to and during the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games.

The events will run from April to September 2022 and will ['Shine a Light' on Sandwell's rich, diverse culture](#) and showcase the best of arts, sports and culture from all ages, backgrounds, and parts of the community.



NEW Environment Response Team trial

The team has been launched to tackle significant hot spots of fly-tipping and overgrowth as well as carrying out land clearance and repairs that single teams are unable to resolve.



Fly-tipping can be dangerous, pollute land and waterways and costs the taxpayer significant amounts of money to clear away.

To report fly-tipping that you believe is a danger to the public, for example if it is blocking a road or there are dumped chemicals, please call the council

immediately on 0121 368 1177. Our opening hours are Monday to Friday 8am to 5.30pm.

[Report all other fly-tipping online at any time.](#)

This summer, make the Birmingham Commonwealth Games work for you

With thousands of paid roles available, lasting from three weeks to three months, take on a summer job like no other.

[Register your interest in working at the Games](#)



Living with Covid-19

As restrictions are lifted across the country, it's really important that you continue to keep yourselves and others safe from Covid-19.

- ✔ Get vaccinated if you haven't already
- ✔ It's recommended you continue to wear a face covering in crowded places
- ✔ Remember, face coverings are still required in health settings including GP surgeries, hospitals and for people visiting care homes.
- ✔ Wash your hands regularly
- ✔ Let fresh air in

If you have symptoms of Covid-19, you should still book a PCR test and avoid contact with others. Try to stay at home if you're unwell.

[Read more about getting vaccinated in Sandwell and our advice now government restrictions have been lifted.](#)

The infographic is a 2x3 grid of colored panels. The top-left panel is dark purple and contains the HM Government logo and the text 'HOW YOU CAN CONTINUE TO KEEP YOURSELF AND YOUR LOVED ONES SAFE'. The top-middle panel is blue and features a syringe icon, the title 'VACCINES', and text about getting vaccinated. The top-right panel is light blue and features an open window icon, the title 'FRESH AIR', and text about letting fresh air in. The bottom-left panel is teal and features a face mask icon, the title 'FACE COVERING', and text about wearing a mask. The bottom-middle panel is green and features a house icon, the title 'STAY AT HOME IF UNWELL', and text about staying home. The bottom-right panel is light green and features a hand washing icon, the title 'HAND WASHING', and text about washing hands regularly.

HM Government

HOW YOU CAN CONTINUE TO KEEP YOURSELF AND YOUR LOVED ONES SAFE

VACCINES
Get vaccinated to reduce your risk of catching Covid-19 and becoming seriously ill, and to reduce the risk of spreading the virus to others.

FRESH AIR
Letting fresh air in if meeting indoors, or meeting outside to disperse Covid-19 particles and reduce the risk of spreading the virus.

FACE COVERING
Consider wearing a face covering in crowded, enclosed spaces.

STAY AT HOME IF UNWELL
Try to stay at home if you are unwell.

HAND WASHING
Wash your hands regularly to limit the spread of Covid-19.

Tenants – request your repairs online

If you're one of our tenants, did you know [you can now request repairs online](#) without having to call?

It's really easy. Just create an account and you can report a non-emergency repair 24/7 from your phone, tablet or computer.

Once you've requested your repair, you can choose an appointment time to suit you, all without having to pick up the phone to call.

COUNCIL TENANTS...

NEED TO BOOK A REPAIR?

There's no need to call and wait in a queue on the phone

Book online and arrange an appointment to suit you
It's fast, easy and available 24/7

1 Grab your phone, tablet or computer



2 go to: www.sandwell.gov.uk/repairs or search: "Sandwell repairs online"

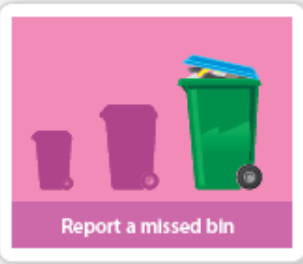
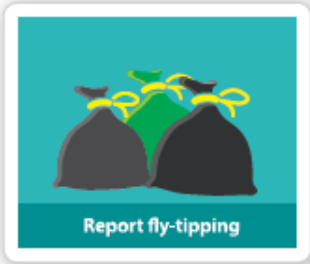
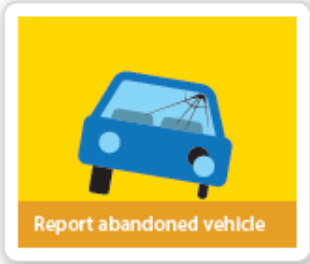


3 Book an appointment to suit you



4 We'll send someone to fix the problem





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