



Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Information and advice for the public from Horsham District Council

5 January 2021

National Lockdown: Stay at Home

From today Tuesday 5 January 2021, National Lockdown restrictions have been introduced in England.

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.

Visit the Government's website using the button to find out what you can and can't do.

[National Lockdown guidance](#)

Council service update

The move to National Lockdown means that some of our services have been impacted. Please see a list of affected services below and visit our website using the links for more information:

Parks, leisure and venues

- All parks and countryside sites remain open for exercise
- Tennis courts - Closed
- Open ball courts (for example, basketball) - Closed
- Outdoor gyms - Closed
- Skate parks and pump tracks - Closed
- Play areas - Open. If you are visiting a play area please socially distance and if the facility is busy please return at another time. [Follow our rules when visiting a play area](#)
- Southwater Country Park café - Open for takeaway refreshments
- Warnham Local Nature Reserve café - Closed
- Sport activities - Physical sessions cancelled. Online Reaching Higher Project and Ready and Able Disability Sports Club sessions taking place. [Visit our website for more information](#)

Waste and recycling

- Household bin collections are running as normal. [Please check your online collection calendar](#) as the dates will be different due to the Christmas period
- Assisted, clinical waste and large item collections are running as normal
- Household Waste Recycling Sites (managed by West Sussex County Council) remain open for essential visits only. [Visit the County Council website for up-to-date information](#)

Full details about our services

- [Waste and recycling service updates](#)
- [Parks, leisure and venues updates](#)
- [Planning service updates](#)
- [Building control service updates](#)
- [Housing, Council Tax and Benefits](#)

Keeping positive mental health

The experience of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has been different for everyone, but there's no doubt it's been a really difficult time for us all. Along with the darker winter days it can be all the more challenging.

A new year is an opportunity to look forward. Whether you're coping with loneliness, struggling with your sleep, having job or money worries or generally



finding it difficult to cope, then follow the link below for support and advice.

[NHS mental health and wellbeing support and advice](#)

Get help if you are facing homelessness



There were 800 homeless enquiries in the first six months of 2020, and a 216% increase in rough sleepers during the pandemic. Many people are being forced to sleep rough for the first time.

The pressure facing families and individuals is greater than ever, but you need to know that we are here to help. The best advice we can give is to speak to us as soon as possible.

Our service has moved away from face to face appointments and advice is now available over the phone 07519 110031, [online](#) and by email at housing@horsham.gov.uk.

Managing money and debt advice

If you are worried about money, or have found yourself in debt, there are a number of local and national organisations here to help. [Visit our website for more information.](#)

Get help for a vulnerable person

- [Find help and support](#)
 - [Housing, Council Tax and Benefits](#)
 - [West Sussex County Council Community Hub](#)
 - [NHS Volunteer Responders](#)
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Business, employment and jobs

- [GOV.UK: Coronavirus Business Support](#)
 - [Information for businesses](#)
 - [Business Support Grants](#)
 - [Employment and jobs](#)
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Around 1 in 3 people with COVID-19 have no symptoms.



Every action counts.



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