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Vaccination service opens in Gamston



Rushcliffe's first COVID-19 vaccination service is now live in Gamston.

It will support the roll out of the national vaccination programme. In the coming weeks and months, other locations across Nottingham and Nottinghamshire will also open for vaccinations.

Recipients of the vaccine will be called forward in priority order as set out by the Joint

Committee for Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI).

The NHS are continuing to send letters to eligible people and vaccines will be by appointment only. First priority is for those over the age of 80 and frontline health and social care workers.

83-year-old Great Grandmother Wendy Wain (above) was among the first to receive the jab.

The former occupational therapist from West Bridgford said: "I am delighted to be receiving the vaccine if only for my two children, eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren who worry so much about me.

"I haven't seen them all for such a long time and I hope this is the start of the road to being able to see them again safely."

Covid-19 vaccinations Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group

- ✓ Letters are going out to over 80s asking them to book
- ✓ When you get your letter please book your appointment on the website as quickly as possible
- ✗ Please don't contact the NHS until you have received your letter

- Please don't contact the NHS to seek a vaccine, they will send out a letter inviting individuals to book an appointment
- When they receive their letter, please act quickly to book your appointment
- Please continue to follow all the guidance to stay at home,

protect the NHS and save lives

Customers reminded not to linger outside food and drink takeaway outlets

Residents are being reminded to not linger outside food and drink takeaway services to help play their part in stopping the spread of COVID-19.



A local Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) is in operation in West Bridgford for everyone's benefit, this includes Bridgford Park, Bridge Field and 10 Acre Field, as well as the retail sections of Bridgford Road, Gordon Road and Central Avenue

It means park users and town centre visitors must give up alcohol when asked to do so by an official and failure to comply can lead to a fixed penalty notice or prosecution at court and a fine of up to £1,000.

Under the national lockdown, businesses are able to continue a food and non-alcoholic beverage takeaway offering, or a food and beverage delivery service.

Rushcliffe landlords invited to free webinar next week



Landlords in Rushcliffe are being invited to join a free webinar next week, featuring local and national updates, in lieu of the usual in-person forum offered by South Nottinghamshire Councils.

The new online event at 10.30am on Wednesday, January 13 in partnership with Gedling Council, Broxtowe Council and DASH Services.

The National Residential Landlord

Association will also be present to give an update.

Attendees can register their interest and find out more by visiting [the Eventbrite page](#).

Natural England scheme to support Great Crested Newts launched in Rushcliffe



In December, Rushcliffe joined Leicestershire, Rutland and South Kesteven in the Natural England scheme to license Great Crested Newts.

District Level Licensing (DLL) is an innovative, strategic approach to supporting this protected species and is now being used by developers across more than 100 local authorities in England. Some of the live scheme areas are shown in the map on the left.

DLL means bigger, better and more joined up pond habitats and more resilient populations of Great Crested Newts, whilst saving developers time and providing them with certainty as they deliver new homes for local authorities.

To find out more, please visit the [Natural England website](#).

Have your say on Rushcliffe's Planning Enforcement Policy



Rushcliffe are reviewing and amending their Planning Enforcement Policy. It allows the borough to intervene should a breach of planning control take place and assess any harm that is caused. Look on Rushcliffe's website for the link to comment before 29th January

COVID digital recovery grant to give businesses a further boost



Rushcliffe are giving eligible high street businesses or established business groups another boost with a COVID Digital Recovery Grant that can further help them adapt and improve their online presence or sales.

Small to medium size retail, hospitality, personal care, leisure, tourism and other enterprises in the Borough can now access up to £1,000 over and above existing central government grant

support by visiting <https://bit.ly/3IQWfuG>

Part of the recovery plan on the pandemic, the funds allow businesses to create or improve a website, seek advice and support on improving their social media presence or create greater online transactional capability.

It can also aid local retail groups or traders' associations supporting or enhancing the development of, for example, an online market place for their town or village.

Applicants must be a High Street business who pay their business rates to the Council or receive small business rate relief with between 1.5 and 30 employees.

All appropriate licences and permissions must be in place and full criteria is available on the webpage.

Census 2021 roles available



This year will see the Census 2021 take place and there's set to be lots of temporary job roles available for residents at <http://orlo.uk/U4o5s>.

Application windows are open now too for Census Area Managers, team leader and officers amongst others with many more going live soon.

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