



‘Public safety must come first’



Alison Challenger, West Sussex Director of Public Health says people’s safety must come first as Covid-19 restrictions are set to continue until at least 19 July.

Alison is urging us all to make the next few weeks count so that the measures can be lifted in line with the Prime Minister’s announcement earlier this week.

The number of positive Covid-19 cases in West Sussex has increased in recent weeks, reflecting the national trend.

Alison said numbers will only come down if everyone plays their part: “We want to make sure that we continue to keep people safe and that the measures in place ensure we can come out of the roadmap without needing to return.”



Read Alison's [message in full and see our data dashboard](#) for the latest on West Sussex case rates and comparisons.

[Find out more](#)

Vaccination update

As of last Wednesday (16 June), **580,872** people in West Sussex have received at least one dose of the Covid-19 vaccination, which is 77.8% of our county's estimated population for those over 18 years. Find out all the latest data on vaccination take up in your area on [our data dashboard](#).



From today (18 June), **all** adults are now eligible for their vaccination, as the NHS Covid-19 Vaccination Programme enters the final phase of the first dose roll-out. In addition, everyone aged 40 and above are now able to have their second vaccine at eight weeks after their first dose. Find out more [here](#).

Please don't forget to follow government guidance around 'hands, face, space and fresh air' once you've had your vaccination.

For more information about the Sussex vaccination programme visit the Sussex Health and Care Partnership website via the link below.

[Find out more](#)

Seventeen Children and Family Centres to re-open next week



Children and Family Centres across West Sussex have been closed for general use because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Now seventeen of the centres will begin to reopen from Monday, 21 June.

The centres will re-open providing the following services:

- Drop-ins for information, advice, and guidance
- Support for families in crisis
- Toy Libraries, offering free rental of children's toys.

Health services such as maternity support will continue to be delivered from Children and Family Centres as they have done throughout the pandemic.

The full list of reopening centres, their revised opening times and locations can be found on [our website](#).

[Find out more](#)

Worthing Library re-opens next week following exciting refurbishment

The new-look Worthing Library is ready to welcome residents from 9am next Tuesday (22 June).

The custom-designed building will bring together West Sussex County Council Registration Services, Children and Family Services, Find it Out and Youth Emotional Support Services and an enhanced Library Service, all under one roof.



The new services offered from the fully refurbished building will provide important support for residents in Worthing, as the community continues to overcome the challenges posed by the pandemic.

Residents can look forward to browsing and choosing from a huge selection of brand-new books in a bright, modern and Covid-secure space.

For more information, visit the [online guide to the new library](#), phone Worthing Library on 01903 704809, [email them directly](#) or follow the library service on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).

[Find out more](#)

How was your Sussex Day?



We hope you were able to find time to celebrate Sussex Day safely this week, which is marked every year on June 16.

The day is a chance to reflect on and enjoy everything that's great about our county, the heritage and traditions of our past, the stunning scenery, food and produce, as well as looking forward to future opportunities and possibilities.

On the day, the Sussex Day Flag was flown from County Hall in Chichester, and is pictured here with the Lord-Lieutenant of West Sussex Mrs Susan Pyper, West Sussex County Council Chairman Cllr Peter Bradbury and Council Leader Cllr Paul Marshall.

Sussex is, of course, worth celebrating year-round, not just on 16 June, so head to the Experience West Sussex website to see the [11 things to do in Sussex on Sussex Day and beyond](#), plus other inspiration to help you plan a fun but safe summer.

[Find out more](#)

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- [Series of proposals for further major investment in Arun's highway infrastructure](#)
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