

Health and Wellbeing Board

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LB Enfield
Covid 19 Enforcement and
Contact Tracing update



Locally Supported Contact Tracing



- Public Health England refer cases to Environmental Health that they have been unable to contact within 24 hours
- Between 25 August and 22 November 2020, 592 cases have been referred to us from Public Health England
- Environmental Health Officers contact 100% of the cases by telephone or email the same day that we receive the cases, and if there is no response we visit their home and either door knock or leave a letter for them to contact us
- This speedy response enables us to check that the cases and their close contacts are self-isolating, and follow up any premises that are potential sources of covid transmission



Self- Isolation - Financial & Other Support

- Became law from 28 September to self isolate if requested by NHS Track and Trace
- Failure to do so is punishable by a fine of £1K up to £10K for individuals or for businesses forcing staff to work
- During contact tracing we find some residents have been extremely ill with Covid, some have (sadly) passed away and others have been very distressed and unable to cope.
- We ensure that our residents are signposted to support that they need such as:
 - the £500 self-isolation payment that can be claimed for the self isolation period by those working and on low income (eg benefits) and cannot work from home
 - but also help with food, medicines or support needed from social services



Covid 19 – Business compliance visits

- Trading Standards and Environmental Health have been undertaking visits to businesses during office hours, evenings and weekends to check businesses' compliance with covid requirements
- Between 22 August and 25 November 2020, the following visits were undertaken:
- **Covid Advice visits = 1039**
 - 572 (55%) = Compliant
 - 238 (23%) = Partially compliant
 - 229 (22%) = Non-compliant
- **Covid Revisits = 201**
 - 140 (70%) = Compliant
 - 34 (17%) = Partially compliant
 - 27 (13%) = Non-compliant (will revisit after lockdown as they are closed)
- **Formal Enforcement: 13 Notices** (all given advice previously)
 - 1 Direction Notice – for a premises operating with music and dancing, over 150 customers and no covid controls
 - 6 FPNs
 - 6 Prohibition Notices (businesses that should have been closed)



Lockdown from 5 November to 2 December 2020

- Enforcement visits were undertaken
- Issues with certain ('non-essential') businesses that were required to close
- Some businesses were operating beyond the 10pm
- Issues with some car washes not closed
- Some national retailers claiming legal exemptions

Business requirements from 2 December under Covid Alert Level 'High'

- Hospitality businesses can operate with restrictions such as premises where food & drink usually consumed on premises can operate table service if sell alcohol, sell alcohol only if with a meal, orders stop at 10pm
- Hospitality businesses for consumption off the premises can operate delivery, click & collect or drive-thru after 10pm
- Early closure (11pm) applies to places such as *cinemas, *theatres, museums, bowling alleys, bingo halls
- Weddings and reception – maximum of 15
- Funeral – maximum of 30 for the service and 15 for the wake
- Places of worship remain open, but not socialise with people from outside of your household while indoors
- Limits on sporting and other events (50% capacity or 1,000 indoors and 50% of capacity or 2,000 outdoors)
- Visits will continue to be undertaken to check compliance and enforcement when needed

* can stay open after 11pm if performance started before 10pm

After Lockdown ends.....London will revert to Covid Alert Level (High)

Will revert to the national and 'tier' compliance checks and enforcement

- **Requirements on business to support track and trace (if remain the same)**
 - Applies to certain premises and sectors (e.g. restaurants, libraries, hairdressers)
 - Business required to display QR code on entry or businesses must ask for customers contact details.
 - Keep records for 21 days and then destroy
 - Must take reasonable steps to refuse entry if contact details not provided (some premises exempt)
 - £1000 FPN for first offence, increasing to FPNs of £2000, £3000 and £4000 for 2nd, 3rd and 4th offence
- **Requirements on business to ensure social distancing (if remain the same)**
 - Applies to businesses where food or drink is consumed on the premises.
 - Not allow bookings of more than one household
 - Need to ensure that there is social distancing between tables (2 metres, or at least 1 metre if back to back seating, or screens or other measures).
 - £1000 FPN for first offence, increasing to FPNs of £2000 and £4000 for 2nd and 3rd and subsequent offences



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