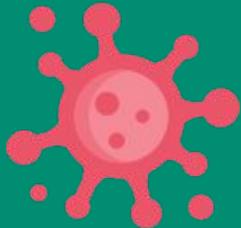
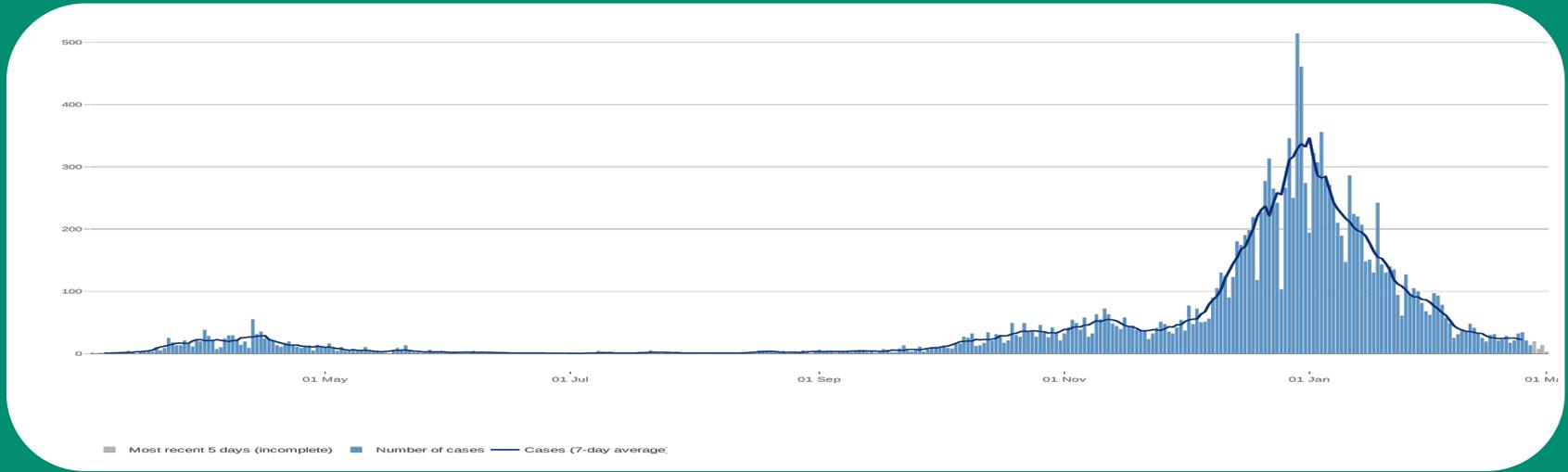


St Helier, The Wrythe & Wandle Valley Local Committee

COVID-19 Update & next steps

COVID-19 Overview



Case Rate: **80.4** per 100,000

Direction of Travel: -8%



Case Rate 60+: **67.1** per 100,000

Direction of Travel: -32%



53 admissions to hospital & diagnoses in hospital (7 day period)



77 mechanical ventilation beds occupied by confirmed COVID-19 patients (7 day period)



Vaccination

Who is Eligible?

Vaccination is a vital part of our defence in protecting people against COVID-19. Vaccines will be prioritised to protect the most vulnerable, those at highest risk of catching the disease and of suffering serious complications or dying from COVID-19.

The vaccinations are being provided to:

- Residents in care homes for older adults and their carers
- All those aged 80 years old and over
- 75 - 79 year olds
- 70 - 74 year olds
- 65 - 69 year olds
- Frontline health and social care staff

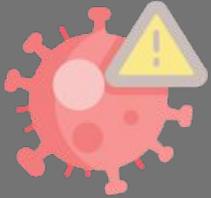
In Sutton, vaccinations are being carried out at:

- St Helier Hospital - for health care and social care staff
- PCNs Local vaccination sites -Nonsuch Manor / GP practices 'push-system'
- Mass vaccination centres - Epsom /Sutton
- Roving Vaccination Team - care homes / housebound

Between 8th December to 21st February, first vaccine doses were given to:

- **28,463 Under 70s**
- **7,740 70 - 74 year olds**
- **5,552 75 - 79 year olds**
- **8,364 80+ year olds**

Project Eagle - Variants of Concern



What is a variant of concern?



What happens if a variant is identified in Sutton?

	Stages	
1	Enhanced genetic sequencing to identify new variants	
2	Enhanced mass and targeted communications to support community action	★
3	Rapid scale up of hyper-local community testing (surge testing)	★
4	Rapid mobilisation of contact tracing, isolation and support	★
5	Faster data and insights on outcomes and response.	

Hands, Face, Space



The poster features a background image of a child's hands being washed with sanitizer by an adult. In the top left corner is the HM Government logo. In the top right corner is the NHS logo. A white text box on the left contains the message: "You could have coronavirus and not even know it." Below this, the word "Remember:" is written above three circular icons: a hand with particles (labeled "HANDS"), a face mask (labeled "FACE"), and two people with a double-headed arrow between them (labeled "SPACE").

HM Government

NHS

You could have coronavirus and not even know it.

Remember:

HANDS **FACE** **SPACE**

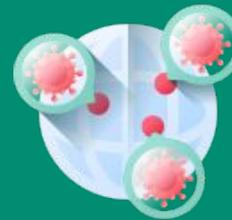
Testing

Lateral Flow Testing - for **asymptomatic individuals** - a swab of the nose and throat collects a sample, which is analysed on-site and results are ready in 30 minutes. The test needs high levels of virus in the body to work.

PCR Testing - for **symptomatic individuals** - a swab of the nose and throat collects a sample which is analysed via a polymerase chain reaction test, seeking the RNA which instructs the creation of the virus, with results ready available in 24 hours. The test can work on very low levels of virus in the body.



92,750 individuals tested by **PCR Test**



15,392 LFT tests undertaken



A new **Regional Testing Site** has opened in Beddington Lane.

Sutton now has **6** PCR testing sites and **2** LFT testing sites

Communications

Vaccinations

- Live Q & A webinars
- FAQs on LBS Website
- Videos & Personal Stories from Residents on social media
- Mythbusters

Testing

- Encouraging those who cannot work from home to get regular LFD tests
- Continued messaging for PCR tests if symptomatic

Lockdown

- Lockdown & easing of restrictions updates
- Social media videos of pandemic experiences
- Weekly email updates to 500 volunteer organisations

How can I get a COVID-19 vaccination?

If you are aged 65 - 69, you will soon receive an invite for your vaccination via:

- Phone,
- Or, a letter from your GP
- Or, a letter from the national booking system.

If you are aged 70+, a resident or staff member in a care home or frontline health and social staff and you have not yet received an invite, you can request your vaccination appointment by calling 119 or via the [NHS website](#).

If you are not yet eligible for your vaccine, please wait to be contacted.

Vaccine Hesitancy

Community engagement webinars and live chats have been taking place over the last three months about vaccinations. The main questions and themes raised have been:

Does it affect fertility?

What level of immunity will I have?

Why was it developed so rapidly?

What is different between the 3 vaccines?

Can it give me Covid-19?

Is it safe?

What are the side effects?

Lack of trust

Do we need a booster every year?

Can it alter my DNA?

Was it tested in BAME groups?

Can I go back to my normal life now?

How do I access to trial records?

What is the difference between virus variants

How effective is the vaccine?

We need your help

Engaging with real people locally to talk about their testing and vaccination experiences

Reassuring residents and informing them where they can find support

Encouraging people to take up their vaccination invitations as quickly as possible