Coronavirus - Gold Covid Strategic Coordination Group

Weekly Report - 16 June 2020



Headlines

Health and Social Care

Cases and Hospital Occupancy remain at a reduced levels. Cases in care homes have also seen a significant decline. Concerns remain regarding PPE supplies.

Citizens & Community

Sunday's Black Lives Matter protest in Millennium Square was peaceful, however as it broke up a small number of protestors/counter protestors were involved in a disturbance on the Headrow. More broadly compliance with restrictions continues, however, there continue to be a small number of reports relating to larger groups or areas with repeated issues of non-compliance. Concerns remain around domestic violence during the lockdown, though reported hate crime remains relatively low.

Economy and Business

GDP fell by 20.4% in April 2020, the biggest the fall the UK has ever seen, with virtually all parts of the economy hit. HMRC has released data on the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme. 88,200 employees in Leeds have been furloughed, this figure represents just over 20% of the city's workforce, which suggests the level of furlough is below the national average. The total number of workers furloughed for West Yorkshire stands at 256.300, again below the national average. Concerns continue regarding business closures perhaps peaking in the last two quarters of the year, and intelligence suggests that many firms are coming to the realisation that recovery may well be prolonged.

Infrastructure and Supplies

Traffic flows are continuing to increase across all monitored sites. Overall, traffic flows were up 14% last week, with morning and afternoon rush hours up 31% and 15% respectively. Network Rail reported an increase of 8% in daily footfall levels on Leeds Station Central Concourse. Public transport operators are reporting difficulties in enforcing social distancing despite signage on buses.



1879

Total Covid-19

Reported in Hospitals



199

People

In emergency Accommodation



190

Grants paid

to local businesses this week



24

New Cases

Reported since last weeks Gold report



320

Covid related

Incidents reported to West Yorkshire Police



£2.26m

In grants paid

paid to local businesses this week



63%

Critical Care Beds

Reported as occupied in LTHT Hospitals



425

Domestic Incidents

reported to WY
Police in last week



15%

Footfall in Leeds

Based on figures for the same week last year



9

Patients

In receipt of mechanical ventilation



5

Covid warnings

Issued by WY Police in the last week



7500

Website Visits

To Covid guidance pages on LCC website

Coronavirus - Health and Social Care Impact

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1879 Total **Covid19 Cases** Reported in Leeds



24 New Cases Reported since last week's gold report



323 Hospital Covid19 deaths



611 Registered **Covid19 Deaths**

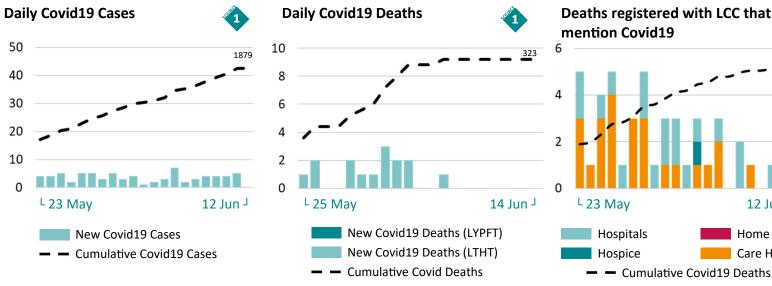


240 Registered Covid19 Deaths in care homes

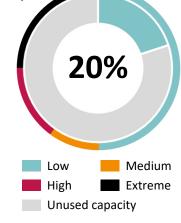
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Cases and Deaths in Leeds

COVID-19 case data is based upon the date the specimen was taken from the person being tested which allows for analysis of the progression of cases over time. However, this also means that the latest days' figures are always incomplete and only data from five days or more ago can be considered complete. Data for recent days are constantly being revised as more information becomes available.



Mortuary Capacity Data



* Note: this figure is slightly elevated due to the loss of some storage at LTHT site.

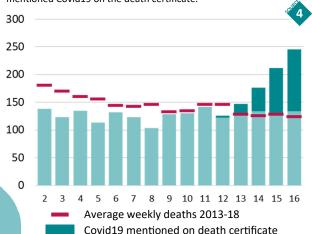
Combined data for LTHT and MYHT. • Does not include Waterside facility.

All Deaths in 2020

The chart below shows the number of deaths by week in 2020. Deaths where Covid19 is mentioned are highlighted in dark green. This chart also gives the average deaths in the same week for the years 2014-2018 (red bar).

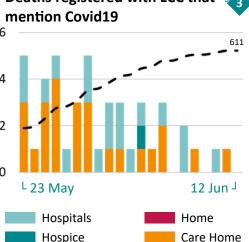
The chart shows between weeks 2 and 12 the number of deaths in 2020 was lower than average, and for weeks 13 to 16 the number of deaths were higher than average.

In week 16. Leeds recorded 122 excess deaths, of which, 111 mentioned Covid19 on the death certificate.



Covid19 not mentioned

Deaths registered with LCC that mention Covid19



As of Sunday 14 June 2020 17:00, the number of confirmed cases within Leeds equalled 1879. A further 24 confirmed cases were added to the total since 7th June.

Deaths in Leeds

As of 14 June 2020, the total number of reported deaths of people who tested positive with COVID-19 in Leeds hospitals is 323 (319 reported at LTHT; 4 reported at LYPFT). Interpretation of these figures should take into account the fact that the number of deaths, particularly for recent prior days, are likely to be updated in future releases. Cases are only included in the data when the positive COVID-19 test result is received or death certificate confirmed with COVID-19 mentioned. This results in a lag between a given date of death and exhaustive daily death figures for that day. <1>

As of 12 June 2020, a total of 611 COVID-19 related deaths had been registered by Leeds Register Office. Of these deaths, 327 (54%) were in hospital, 251 (41%) were in care homes, 21 (3.4%) in their own home and 12 (2%) in a hospice.

The number of deaths registered where COVID-19 was mentioned on the death certificate has reduced somewhat in recent weeks. <3>

Due to the average time taken to registering a death (3-4 days), data from the Leeds Registrars Office should be interpreted carefully as they're subject to change considerably more so than LTHT figures.

Sources:

- Leeds Teaching Hospital Trust 15/06/20
- Leeds Resilience & Emergencies 12/06/20 2)
- 3) Leeds Registrars Office - 12/06/20
- PHINE Using ONS Data -2014 2019

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1879 Total
Covid19 Cases
Reported in Leeds



24 New Cases
Reported since last
week's gold report



23 Cases
Reported active in
Care Homes



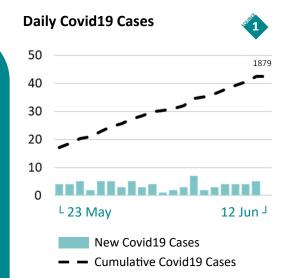
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Occupied in LTHT

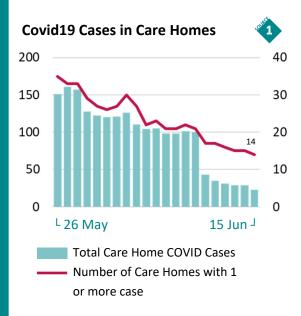


Critical Care beds occupied in LTHT



9 Patients
Receiving mechanical ventilation





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Bed Occupancy

At 08:00 on Monday 15 June 2020, 63 beds were occupied at LTHT by confirmed COVID-19 patients. A further 144 beds were occupied by suspected COVID-19 patients.

68% of general and acute beds at Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust were reported to be occupied and 63% of critical care beds were also occupied, 8 of these beds being occupied by confirmed COVID-19 patients.

9 confirmed COVID-19 patients at LTHT were occupying mechanical ventilation beds and on an oxygen supply. 1 confirmed COVID-19 patient was occupying non-invasive ventilation beds and in receipt of oxygen, and a further 56 confirmed COVID-19 patients were in receipt of oxygen.

Covid Discharges at LTHT

In the last 7 days, there was 37 discharges from Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust, with 5 patients (14%) being discharged to their usual place of residence. The total number of patients discharged by LTHT to date equates to 692 patients (81% to their usual place of residence)

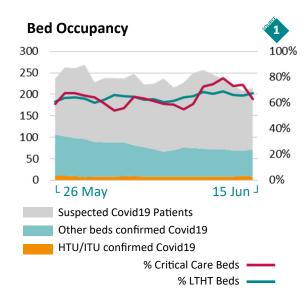
Care Homes

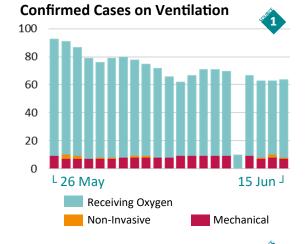
As of Monday 15 June 2020, 149 of 151 care homes declared information on Care Tracker (99%).

Of those care homes that are reporting: 146 are reporting they are operating with minimal risks, 3 are reporting some risk to admission status deterioration, and none are reporting significant risk to admissions in the next few days.

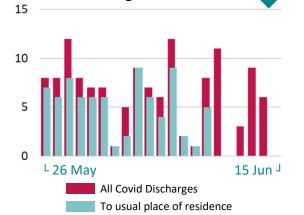
10 homes are closed or partially closed, of which 1 home is reported having at least one confirmed COVID-19 case.

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Covid19 Discharges



Sources:

1) Leeds Teaching Hospital Trust - 15/06/20

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320 Covid19 related Incidents last week



425 Domestic incidents reported last week

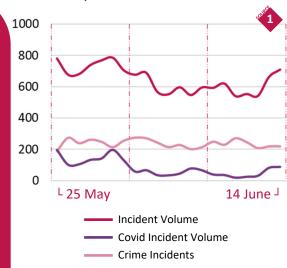


5 Covid19 related warnings issued last week

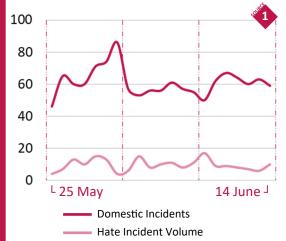


199 People in emergency accommodation

Incidents, Crimes & Covid Incidents



Domestic & Hate Incidents



Sources:

- 1) Safer Leeds 15/06/20
- 2) Leeds Children's Services 15/06/20
- 3) Leeds Adults Services 15/06/20

Incidents and Crimes Overview

Due to the relaxation of restrictions there has been a significant drop in the numbers of reports of non-compliance and subsequent warnings issued. Some reports relate to people not understanding changes to rules, but generally comply when explained.

Weekly totals	Volume	Change
Crime	1641	-5 🔻
Incident	4222	-4 V
Covid Incident	320	-63 ▼
Covid Warnings	5	-13 V
Domestic Incidents	425	+30 🔺
Hate Incident	66	-3 ▼

Children & Education



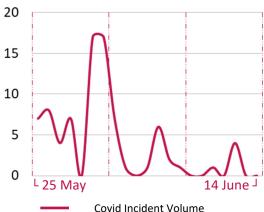
Pupils	Number
Total pupils attending daily	6117
Response Rate	81%

*Please note there will be some overlap between critical workers and vulnerable children.

From 1st June, DfE guidance changed to enable schools to open to pupils in nursery, reception, year 1 and year 6 and this has led to a sharp increase in the numbers of pupils attending school. 220 state-funded schools reported to the DfE that they were open with an average of 6117 children attending daily (81% response rate).

Covid19 related warnings issued





Shielded Persons



Over 45,300 Leeds residents have been identified and are considered "clinically vulnerable" and requiring shielded support. To date, over 19,300 have registered with Leeds City Council for support. Many of those identified in the shielded cohort will not require targeted support.

Living Situation	Advised to Sheild	Registered
Care Homes	1491	95
Social Care package	2605	585
Sheltered Accommodation	1204	539
Independent - alone	13426	5473

Identified Needs	Number
Accessing food	4640
With basic care needs	1176
Carrying supplies inside	1661
Dietary requirement	2374

Emergency Accommodation



As of 12th June there were 199 individuals in emergency accommodation. The number is reducing as several individuals have been moved into more stable accommodation/ support

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1250+ Calls
To LCC Covid19
support helpline



118%

Domestic waste compared to 2019



109%
Recycled waste compared to 2019



123% Garden waste compared to 2019

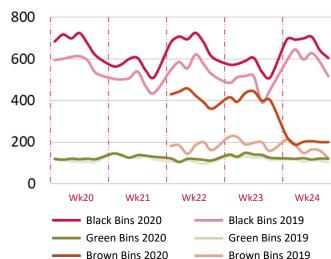
Domestic Waste and Recycling



The Covid-19 lockdown has affected domestic waste and recycling collections. Both black and green bin weights have increased significantly when compared to the same period last year. When brown bin collection (garden waste) restarted on 25th May there was an increase of over 200% compared to 2019, this has since returned to levels comparable with the increases in Green and Black bin collections.

Waste Type	Tonnage	Change
Black Bins - 2019	2877	
Black Bins - 2020	3397	118%
Green Bins - 2019	758	
Green Bins - 2020	829	109%
Brown Bins - 2019	996	
Brown Bins - 2020	1221	123%

Daily Tonnage



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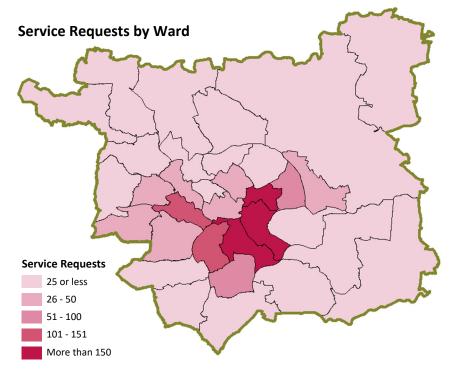
1) Leeds City Council 15/06/20

Call Centre Data



In the week commencing 18th May there were over 1250 calls to the Leeds City Council call centre that could be attributed to the Covid19 Pandemic. Of the calls that could be categorised, the following support was provided

Type of Assitance	Number
Food & shopping	118
Food parcel	768
Prescription	77
Fuel	230
Personal Products	52
Dog walking	4
Befriending and reassurance	24
TOTALS	1273



Coronavirus - Economy and Business

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190 Grants for businesses issued this week



£194 Million
To support C.Tax
payers & businesses



Closed businesses reopening in line with Govt. guidance



42% Increase Of people on Universal Credit

Economy and Business



Figures from the ONS showed GDP fell by 20.4% in April 2020, following a fall of 5.8% in March 2020. April's fall is the biggest the UK has ever seen. Virtually all areas of the economy were hit, with pubs, education, health and car sales all giving the biggest contributions to the fall. Manufacturing and construction were also badly affected. Almost 9 million people are now furloughed, more than one in four of the UK workforce.

The HMRC has released data on take up of the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme by local authority. In Leeds, up to 31 May 2020, 88,200 workers had been furloughed, this figure represents approximately 20% of the city's workforce, which suggests the level of furlough is a little below the national average.. The total number of workers furloughed for West Yorkshire stands at 256,300.

Businesses continue to prepare to reopen, with a gradual removal of staff from furlough. Intelligence suggests redundancies are expected in response to the tapering of Government support for the furloughing scheme, with business closures perhaps peaking in the last two quarters of the year in response to a lack of cash-flow. Many firms are coming to the realisation that recovery will be prolonged and for some this may mean two to three years.

Traffic flows are continuing to increase across all monitored sites. Overall, traffic flows were up 14% on last week, with morning and afternoon rush hours up 31% and 15% respectively. Network Rail reported an increase of 8% in daily footfall levels on Leeds Station Central Concourse. Public transport operators are reporting difficulties in enforcing social distancing despite signage on buses.

As of Thursday 11th June the council has received 577 applications to the Discretionary Grant Fund, from across a range of sectors including suppliers to the Retail, Hospitality and Leisure sector, manufacturing, business services, medical services, creative and digital, and charities. Applications are currently being assessed.

Sources:

- L) Leeds Financial Services 15/06/20
- 2) HMRC June 2020
- 3) Department of Work & Pensions 19/5/20

Finance

A report on the impact of Covid-19 on the council's financial position this year and next will be published Tuesday 16th June (available at <u>democracy.leeds.gov.uk</u>) for consideration at LCC's Executive Board meeting the week after. The latest projected overspend for 2020/21 is now up to £198m (up from the £165m reported in May); the latest projected gap for 2021/22 is £118m. The report explains that further financial assistance has been requested from central government but, if this is not forthcoming or is insufficient, an Emergency Budget will be considered by Full Council in the summer.

On Friday 12th June, MHCLG issued its third returns form for local authorities to submit by Friday 19th June, quantifying the impact on their income and expenditure as a direct result of Covid-19.

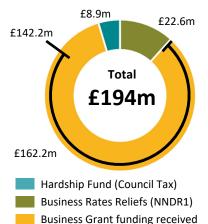
Furloughed Employees

Using the HMRC's Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS) data, and then calculating against the proportion of the workforce from the ONS's annual population figures for people classed as economically active. We are able to estimate the number of furloughed employees in the Local Authority and neighbouring areas:

For context the current UK national average is 25.2%

Business Grants	Number	Value
Grants issued this week	190	£2.26m
Total grants issued	11537	£142.2m

Support to businesses and council tax payers



Business Grants awarded

	Economically Active	Furloughed Employees	Furloughed %
Bradford	238,500	53,900	22.6%
Calderdale	101,500	23,700	23.3%
Kirklees	207,900	50,400	24.2%
Leeds	414,800	88,200	21.3%
Wakefield	169,900	40,100	23.6%
West Yorkshire	1,132,700	256,300	22.6%

Universal Credit Claimants

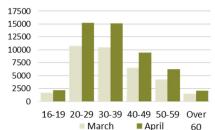


DWP have released figures for the number of people claiming Universal Credit (UC).

Between March and April there were 14,958 new claimants of UC in Leeds, an increase of 42.2% overall.

This has increased the rate of claimants in from 6.9% in March to 9.8% in April (as a proportion of the Working Age Population)

New UC claimants by age



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15% Foot fall In Leeds Centre in relation to 2019



25.5% Foot fall In Leeds Station in relation to 2019

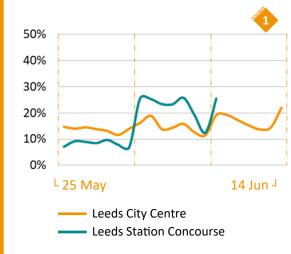


64% Traffic
Compared to usual
expected traffic flow

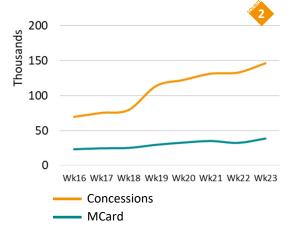
Travel

Patterns of travel have increased in Leeds Centre this week in footfall both in Leeds Centre and Leeds Railway Station.

Percentage of Expected Footfall



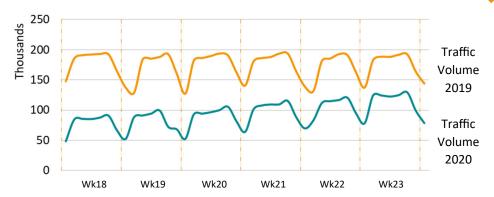
MCard purchases and Concessions



Sources:

- 1) Leeds City Council 15/06/20
- 2) West Yorks. Combined Authority 15/06/20

Two-way 24hr Traffic (5 Radials)



Leeds Air Quality (May 2020)

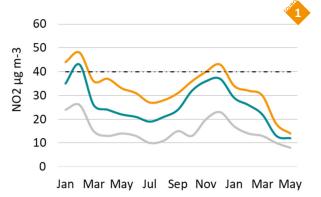
The plot to the right shows the monthly mean Nitrogen Dioxide (NO2) for all the Leeds air quality monitoring sites. NO2 is one of the main pollutants of concern from vehicle emissions. The effect of the lockdown shows a dramatic reduction across all sites in Leeds and the City Centre area.

Temple Newsam Park is included to illustrate the approximate background levels of NO2 away from busy road networks

Food Parcel Deliveries

In the previous week over 4100 food parcels have been distributed to Leeds Residents in need.





Leeds Average
Leeds Centre
Temple Newsam
National Objective 40 µg m-3

PPE Supplies

Reflecting the national picture, there a significant shortages of PPE. However Leeds and LRF stock has maintained good levels of stock over the last few weeks.

Sanitizer wipes and gel have starting being delivered to Council buildings to prepare for colleagues that may need to return to LCC sites.

Coronavirus - Organisational

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5% LCC staff Declaring Covid 19 absence from work

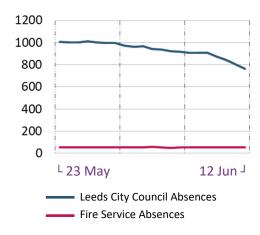


4% Fire staff **Declaring Covid19** absence from work



3-10% Health staff declaring Covid19 absences

Covid related workforce absence



Leeds City Council

Since the 1st of March a total of 3,210 staff have been absent due to a Covid19 related issue, of which 2.507 have since returned to work. 961 were due to sickness absence, of which 924 have since returned to work.

At the 12th June, 764 staff are currently absent due to Covid19 related issue, of which 41 are sick and 724 are isolating (without access or suitable role to work from home), representing 5% of the organisation..

Fire Services

As of the 15th June, 52 staff are currently absent due to Covid19 related issue, of which 3 are currently sick and 49 are isolating (without access or suitable role to work from home), representing almost 4% of the organisation.

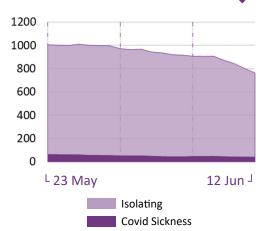
Health Care Services

As of Monday 15 June 2020, total workforce absence has seen a very small decrease, but remains approximately double the rate for the LTHT and LYPFT when compared to 2019.

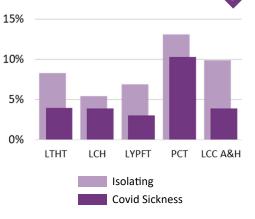
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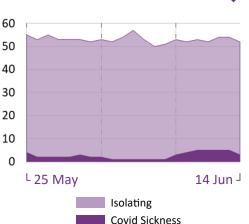
- Leeds City Council 15/06/20
- West Yorks. Fire Service 15/06/20
- Leeds Teaching Hospital Trust 15/06/20

Leeds City Council absences



Health Care Services absences







Coronavirus - Communications & Media / Policy Announcements

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7500 Visits to Covid19 guidance web pages



"Your NHS is still here for you" comms message

Website Visits

Around 7.5K visited the COVID information web pages, of which over half were new users. This was down from 11K last week.

The GovDelivery Covid email bulletins, which are sent out to 116K residents, had a high open rate this week of 43% compared to 44% last week.

Council/others

Big focus on management of safety messaging around return to work/public transport/opening up of high street retail from June 15, including:

- advice to businesses and enhances street cleansing;
- street space management for pedestrians and cyclists;
- emphasis on hygiene with appeals re using contactless payments and donating direct to bigchangeleeds instead of giving handouts to beggars.

Public transport comms targeted with posters and signage across bus shelters, stations and transport hubs, a social media campaign and media coverage, newsletters and web updates.

Continuing development of comms plan to support test and trace/outbreak management; linking in with other pilot area councils and national programme.

Council financial situation and how it has been impacted by covid – media and internal comms.

Active management of social media – main areas attracting interest statues review and BLM protests; city centre reopening and brown bin collections.

Managing messages around parking fees reintroduction from July 4 while still supporting free permits for NHS and social care workers.

Health

Building on promotion of Mindmate and mental health support for young people as significant uplift in visits to website during lockdown of 84% and calls to teenage helpline triple.

Developing communications to support the Bridge Street walk to test centre, including radio ads on Radio Asian Fever in English and Punjabi.

Continue to deliver 3 times/week operational communications bulletin across the Trust for all staff to help support ongoing messaging and changes in guidance.

Supporting clinical teams with appropriate patient information in light of some clinics and procedures restarting and more people coming into hospital (social distancing, self-isolation before procedures, what to expect etc.).

Supporting estates and facilities teams with plans and messaging on car parking.

Promoting the 'your NHS is here for you' campaign to encourage people to attend for emergencies at the hospital.

Ongoing media activity including Foreword to YEP heroes and Mental Health article.

8 June 2020

Whole care home testing is now available to all adult care homes in England.

Source: www.gov.uk (webpage)

9 June 2020

The Business Secretary confirmed that the Government's plan to allow non-essential retail to re-open from 15 June will go ahead due to satisfactory progress in meeting the government's 5 tests.

Source: www.gov.uk (webpage)

Five 'recovery roundtable' working groups launched by the Business Secretary to lead on economic recovery and growth.

Source: www.gov.uk (webpage)

Deadline for councils to publish their electoral registers extended from 1 December 2020 to February 2021, to allow for the challenges presented by coronavirus.

Source: www.gov.uk (webpage)

DfE to contact 100 schools in England to invite them to join a study to monitor the prevalence of Covid-19 in schools.

Source: www.gov.uk (webpage)

10 June 2020

From 13 June, people from single-adult households, excluding those who are shielding, allowed to spend time inside the home of one another household.

Source: www.gov.uk (webpage)

From 15 June, drive-through outdoor attractions such as safari parks and outdoor cinemas can re-open, provided that social distancing is facilitated and indoor areas remain closed.

Source: www.gov.uk (webpage)

11 June 2020

Allocations of funding for Test & Trace announced, with Leeds to receive just over £4.1m.

Source: www.gov.uk (webpage)

£63m announced for local authorities to support people struggling to afford food and other essentials.

Source: www.gov.uk (webpage)

12 June 2020

Training and online resources announced for local authorities to support the reopening of high streets from 15 June.

Source: www.gov.uk (webpage)