

Please see below the daily C19 update, which can be shared more widely.

**SCC DAILY STATEMENT 22/04/2020**

Please remember to **STAY AT HOME. PROTECT THE NHS. SAVE LIVES.**

With best wishes,

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### **Current UK Risk Level: HIGH**

The risk to the UK has been raised to high (as of 13/03/2020).

As of 13 Mar, UK is in the 'delay' phase of the government's action plan to limit the spread of the virus.

### **Current UK Situation**

- As of 9am 21 April, 397,670 people have been tested, of whom 129,044 have tested positive. As of 5pm on 20 April, of those hospitalised in the UK who tested positive for coronavirus, 17,337 have died. Full details and latest numbers are available [here](#).
- In Suffolk we have 701 confirmed cases. However, with routine community testing discontinued, these figures will not describe the full extent of cases locally. You can view the latest UK dashboard of cases by local authority [here](#).
- Government's daily press conference (21 April 2020) – as of 9AM, transcript not available
  - Press conference slides with the latest data from COBR coronavirus fact file (transport use, new cases, hospital admissions, deaths) and datasets available [here](#).
  - View past press conferences on [YouTube](#)
- [Chancellor expands loan scheme for large businesses](#) - Rishi Sunak unveils the final details of Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan Scheme
- [BBC: the first UK human trials for a Coronavirus vaccine](#), developed by Oxford University, will begin this week.
- [BBC: Tiny fraction of 'at risk' children attending schools](#) - Term resumed this week, but worrying figures show only a tiny fraction of vulnerable children in England are taking up the emergency school places kept open for them.

- [BBC: Which regions have been worst hit?](#) - the BBC has analysed the latest figures to show which parts of the country have been worst hit by the disease.
- [BBC: Are the five tests being met?](#) – it is clear we are not in a position to ease the lockdown. The biggest hurdles seem to be the two issues the government is receiving most criticism for - testing and PPE.
- [NHS England death figures:](#) deaths in hospital appear to be showing a downward trend which is encouraging and we could cautiously call this as signs of “green shoots”.

## **Suffolk**

**Healthwatch survey:** Healthwatch Suffolk is working with statutory partners, local groups, networks and VCSE organisations to run a general survey about the impact of coronavirus in Suffolk. With so many changes happening across services, Healthwatch are asking for feedback to understand more about how the changes are impacting on people’s care. This is all about supporting health and social care services and informing the response to COVID-19 in Suffolk. Full details about this short survey are available here:

<https://healthwatchesuffolk.co.uk/news/covidsurvey/>

**New Anglia Growth Hub:** Advisers from the New Anglia Growth Hub are offering free advice and guidance to Norfolk and Suffolk businesses. Businesses can speak to an adviser on 0300 333 6536 or email [growthhub@newanglia.co.uk](mailto:growthhub@newanglia.co.uk). For more information visit [www.newangliagrowthhub.co.uk/covid-19-business-toolkit/](http://www.newangliagrowthhub.co.uk/covid-19-business-toolkit/)

**Tackling the disadvantage gap - advice:** The Children’s Commissioner has published a new briefing today on tackling the disadvantage gap during the covid-19 crisis with the vast majority of pupils not attending school. To read the advice visit; [www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/publication/tackling-the-disadvantage-gap-during-the-covid-19-crisis/](http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/publication/tackling-the-disadvantage-gap-during-the-covid-19-crisis/)

**Mental Health Service for NHS staff:** A new mental health service has been launched, offering telephone support to all NHS and care staff in Suffolk and North East Essex during the Coronavirus outbreak. Suffolk and North East Essex Clinical Commissioning Groups together with independent mental health charities Suffolk Mind and Mid and North East Essex Mind, have come together to open this dedicated telephone support service. For more information visit: [www.suffolkmind.org.uk/news/new-service-offers-nhs-staff-mental-health-support-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/](http://www.suffolkmind.org.uk/news/new-service-offers-nhs-staff-mental-health-support-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/)

**Mental Health resources for children:** Suffolk Mind have published helpful resources to support the mental health of young people across the county during the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff in the EARLY (Emotional Awareness and Resilience Learnt Young) Minds team have created videos, blogs and activities to help children to stay well by meeting their emotional needs whilst at home. To find out more visit [www.suffolkmind.org.uk/additional-help/resources-for-children/](http://www.suffolkmind.org.uk/additional-help/resources-for-children/)

**GCSEs, AS and A level awarding:** The government have published information for schools, students and parents on how qualifications will be graded and awarded in summer 2020. [Read here](#)

**Suffolk Community Foundation – Covid-19 Fund:** The Suffolk Coronavirus Community Fund has now raised over £1million! Suffolk Community Foundation has sent their thanks to everyone who is helping to respond to the coronavirus emergency and rebuild local lives. If anyone would like to donate they are asked to visit [www.justgiving.com/campaign/suffolkcoronavirusfund](http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/suffolkcoronavirusfund)

**Useful Websites (any new guidance is in RED)**

The existing guidance is being updated extremely regularly so please check any guidance relevant to your area to ensure that you are accessing the most up to date version. We are not including in this table all the published material but some of the key guidance that would be relevant to Suffolk County Council and our partners.

|                | Title   | Who For   | Comments   |
|----------------|---|---|--|
| <b>NEW</b>     | <a href="#">Guidance for those involved in managing COVID-19 deaths</a>                     | employers and workers handling loss of life (including general public, local authorities, coroners, funeral services)                             | All the guidance currently available to support you and your workers, ensure individuals are well protected when handling an increased number of deaths due to the coronavirus pandemic and to make sure that any tragic loss of life is handled with the utmost respect and care. The list includes official HMG guidance and advice from relevant authorities. |
| <b>NEW</b>     | <a href="#">Coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance for people receiving direct payments</a>       | people who buy care and support through a direct payment, local authorities, clinical commissioning groups and those who provide care and support |  |
| <b>UPDATED</b> | <a href="#">GCSEs, AS and A level awarding: summer 2020</a>                                 | schools, students and parents   | Information for schools, students and parents on how qualifications will be graded and awarded in summer 2020.   |
| <b>UPDATED</b> | <a href="#">Coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance for schools and other educational settings</a> | staff, parents and carers, pupils and students.   | Updated guidance on the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS).   |

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| 1 | <a href="#">NHS - COVID-19 go-to page</a>  | General Public – <b><u>this is the only site we should be promoting to the public for information</u></b>   |   |
| 2 | <a href="#">GOV.UK – COVID-19 homepage</a>   | Main cover webpage for all government guidance for public & professionals alike   |   |
| 3 | <a href="#">Coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance</a>   | Main collection of guidance for anyone in any setting<br>- <b>Guidance for the public</b> (incl. social distancing and shielding)<br>- <b>Guidance for non-clinical settings</b> (incl. cleaning, educational settings, employees, employers, businesses, residential care, supported living and home care)<br>- <b>Guidance for health professionals</b><br>- <b>Infection prevention and control</b> (incl. PPE)<br>- <b>Sampling and diagnostics</b> |   |
| 4 | <a href="#">Full guidance on staying at home and away from others</a>  | Everyone  | The single most important action we can all take, in fighting coronavirus, is to stay at home in order to protect the NHS and save lives. |
| 5 | <a href="#">Coronavirus outbreak FAQs: what you can and can't do</a>   | Everyone  |   |
| 6 | <a href="#">Coronavirus: How to help safely</a>  | Everyone  |   |
| 7 | <a href="#">Coronavirus (COVID-19) information leaflet</a>   | UK households   |   |
| 8 | <a href="#">COVID-19 essential travel guidance</a>   | Public  |   |
| 9 | Mental health support and advice from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">WHO</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">mentalhealth.org.uk</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Ipswich &amp; East CCG</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Living Life To The Full</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">NHS Practitioner Wellbeing</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Samaritans</a></li> </ul> | General public, staff and carers  |   |

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| 10 | <p>Chronic disease self- care during COVID-19:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Asthma</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Diabetes</a></li> </ul> | General public   |  |
| 11 | <a href="#">Children's Commissioner: Children's guide to coronavirus</a>  | children   | <p>Aimed at children:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Answer your questions about coronavirus</li> <li>- Tell you how to stay safe and protect other people</li> <li>- Help you make the best of your time at home</li> </ul> <p>Information correct as of 27 March 2020</p>  |
| 12 | <a href="#">Coronavirus (COVID-19): getting tested</a>  | critical workers who are self-isolating  |  |
| 13 | <a href="#">Coronavirus (COVID-19): adult social care action plan</a>   | adult social care (includes people's own homes, residential care homes and nursing homes, and other community setting) | <p>This document sets out the government's plan for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. controlling the spread of infection in care settings</li> <li>2. supporting the workforce</li> <li>3. supporting independence, supporting people at the end of their lives, and responding to individual needs</li> <li>4. supporting local authorities and the providers of care</li> </ol>  |
| 14 | <a href="#">Coronavirus (COVID-19): social care guidance</a>  | social care  | <p>Homepage for all the main guidance for social care, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Coronavirus (COVID-19): admission and care of people in care homes</li> <li>- COVID-19: guidance for supported living and home care</li> <li>- COVID-19: ethical framework for adult social care</li> <li>- Coronavirus (COVID-19): changes to the Care Act 2014</li> <li>- Coronavirus (COVID-19): hospital discharge service requirements</li> <li>- Coronavirus (COVID-19): providing unpaid care</li> </ul> |
| 15 | <a href="#">Coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance for children's social care services</a>  | local authorities and their partners   |  |

## **Local Resources:**

Below are any local resources that would be relevant to Suffolk County Council and our partners.

|            | <b>Title</b>  | <b>Who For</b>             | <b>Comments</b>  |
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| <b>NEW</b> | <a href="#">Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership</a>  | Everyone                   | The website aims to help everyone understand the signs of neglect or abuse and what to do if they are worried about a child or an adult.   |
|            | <a href="#">NEW ANGLIA GROWTH HUB</a>   | Businesses needing support | A one stop shop source of information for government support and guidance available to businesses including 121 business advice sources of business grants and loans.  |
|            | <a href="#">Healthy Suffolk - COVID-19 Emotional Wellbeing, Mental Health and Learning Disabilities Information Hub</a> | Everyone                   | This page contains links to a wealth of resources and support for your health and wellbeing.   |
|            | <a href="#">Suffolk County Council Coronavirus information</a>  | Everyone                   | Suffolk County Council coronavirus (COVID-19) information, including health advice, service changes, business support and schools guidance.  |
|            | <a href="#">Keep Moving Suffolk</a>   | Everyone                   | The website contains free resources, ideas, tips, useful links and positive stories to encourage people to stay active during these unprecedented times. The website and our social channels will be constantly updated. |

## **Global: WHO Situation Report** – reports available [here](#)

- WHO RISK ASSESSMENT (Global Level) - Very High
- [WHO Covid-19 Dashboard](#) for professionals using near real time data.
- The number of confirmed cases reported by countries reflects national laboratory testing capacity and strategy, thus the interpretation of the number of cases reported should take this into account.

## **Situation in Numbers WHO SitRep 92, 21 April (new since last 24hrs)**

| <b>Location</b>         | <b>Confirmed</b>            | <b>Deaths</b>         |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Globally                | 2 397 216 confirmed (83006) | 162 956 deaths (5109) |
| European Region         | 1 187 184 confirmed (38143) | 106 342 deaths (2756) |
| Regions of the Americas | 893 119 confirmed (34869)   | 42 686 deaths (2071)  |

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| Western Pacific Region       | 134 506 confirmed (2068) | 5685 deaths (37)  |
| Eastern Mediterranean Region | 134 470 confirmed (5037) | 6185 deaths (137) |
| South-East Asia              | 31 670 confirmed (2094)  | 1341 deaths (66)  |
| African Region               | 15 555 confirmed (795)   | 704 deaths (42)   |