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Petersfield COVID-19 Network

This Newsletter has been produced by the Petersfield COVID-19 Network. It is intended to help and inform Petersfield residents, especially those who are unable to leave their homes because of Government restrictions.

If you know someone who would like to receive the paper version of this newsletter, please ask them to contact Romsey Mill via phone or via post: Romsey Mill Centre, Hemingford Road, Cambridge CB1 3BZ (you do not need a stamp if you add "FREEPOST CB1067") or call 07933 671101.

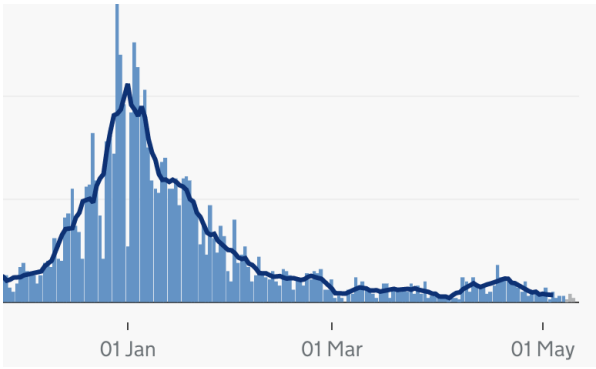
Romsey Mill can also offer assistance by putting you in contact with volunteers, who can help collecting shopping and medication.

If you have information which would be of benefit to other residents in Petersfield please contact Romsey Mill with details and we will consider using it in future newsletters.

For all residents experiencing other Covid related issues (e.g. needing help while they isolate, or experiencing financial hardship support) speak to a member of the customer services team at Cambridge City Council. Telephone 01223 458780 or contact Simon.Aslett@cambridge.gov.uk or complete an online help request form here https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/coronavirus

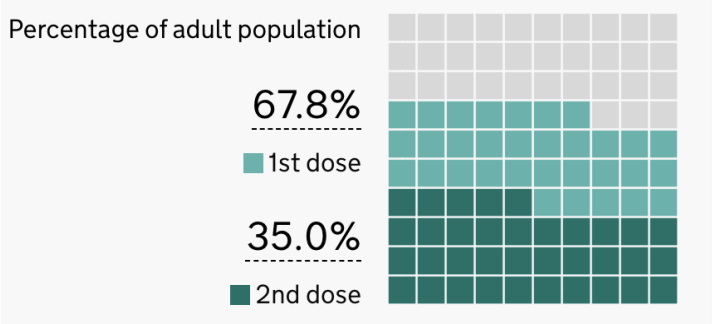
Latest infection statistics in Cambridge

Between 6 May 2021 and 13 May 2021, **22** people had a confirmed positive test result in Cambridge. This is the same as last week. There was 1 death this week in Cambridge. The number of hospital admissions for Covid-19 was 15. The number of confirmed cases in Petersfield was 4 in the week up to May 7th.



Vaccinations

The chart shows the percentage of the adult population in England who have received one dose of a Covid vaccine (67.8%) and those who have received two doses (35%). Positive attitudes towards the COVID-19 vaccine remain high; 93% of adults reported they had now either received a vaccine or would be likely to have a vaccine if offered;.



Step 3 - Cautious Hugging and Pints!

The conditions for Step 3 of Easing Lockdown have been met and as reported last week, up to 30 people will be able to meet outdoors from Monday May 17th. Outdoor cinemas and theatres can re-open. Indoors, the rule of 6 or 2 households will apply. Indoor hospitality, entertainment venues such as cinemas and soft play areas and indoor adult group sports and exercise classes will also reopen.

In addition, a green light was given to 'cautious' hugging. Families and close friends will make their own choices on social contact, but people are urged not to throw caution to the wind and social distancing must continue in workplaces, shops and restaurants.

After months of strict restrictions, the serving of pints inside pubs will resume.

Care Home Residents

From Monday 17 May care home residents will be able to have more named visitors and more opportunities to make visits out with no need to self-isolate when they return.

The number of named family members or friends able to visit their loved ones in care homes will be increased from 2 to 5, as the visiting restrictions continue to ease. A maximum of 2 visitors will be allowed at any one time or on any given day.

Residents will also be able to go to medical appointments, a workplace, educational setting and day centres without having to self-isolate on their return.

The period when a COVID-19 outbreak in a care home can be declared over will also change from 28 days to 14 days after the last positive case assuming there are no Variants of Concern (VOCs) identified.This means visits can resume sooner following an outbreak, once the relevant testing has been completed and provided all staff and residents tested receive a negative result.