

Lockdown update from your county councillor, Anne Parry

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The good news just keeps coming with the continuing success of the vaccine rollout, but the dire and extremely upsetting scenes from India reinforces the importance of infection control and social distancing practices as we learn to live with Covid.

The rate of infections across the district are continuing to fall and have started to level at 11/100,000 from 23 last week, the over 60's rate has remained at 2/100,000 (2 last week) with just one case over the last seven days – which when compared to other districts in Warwickshire for all ages is Nuneaton & Bedworth 12/100,000, North Warwickshire 33/100,000, Warwick 15/100,000 and Rugby 49/100,000.

In terms of ward data I can advise there have been no cases reported in Wellesbourne East and Wellesbourne West and just one case in the Snitterfield ward.

Continuing this positive note, the situation regarding SWFT Hospital Beds has remained at similar levels, there is now 1 (2) confirmed case of COVID-19 with 0 (1) patient in ICU (figures in brackets are from 23 April). Occupancy levels continue to be at 85% in respect of non-Covid patients for elective surgery and there are 57 unoccupied general and acute beds.

There have been no further Covid related deaths across Stratford District over the last three weeks and remain at 140 from the start of this second wave (28th August 2020) 37 occurring in care homes, 90 in hospital, two in a hospice and 10 at home and one in a communal establishment, out of a total of 976 all cause deaths in the district for this new second wave period.

The cumulative total of deaths across Warwickshire for Wave 2 has now increased to 668 from 662 last week with a total of 4025 all cause deaths. The cumulative total of Covid-19 deaths in Stratford district is 308 since the start of the pandemic and in Warwickshire 1269.

The locally led Lateral Flow Testing facility for people WITHOUT coronavirus symptoms in Stratford has now carried out 28,384 tests with 87 positive results, which represents no increases in positivity over the last three weeks. The home testing service is still available to everyone with COVID-19 symptoms and can be accessed through the home testing online portal.

With less than a week to go as your County Councillor this is my penultimate update on Covid after providing weekly updates over the last 12 months and I know that if Penny-Anne O'Donnell is elected she will continue to provide you with regular updates.

Please take care and stay safe as we ease out of the lockdown restrictions and head towards the new normal.

My thanks to you all

Kind regards

Anne