

## Message from Westminster City Council

### Flash Flooding Support

Following severe flooding on Monday 12 July, Westminster City Council is working closely with partners to manage the situation and ensure the safety of all residents. We understand you may feel anxious and upset by this incident and **we are ready to help you, with advice and support available for those who need it.**

A Westminster City Council help centre has opened outside **195 Kilburn Park Road, NW6 5LG** as a one-stop-shop offering advice and support for anyone affected by the flooding. The base will be staffed from **9am to 9pm this week**. The rest and information centre at Porchester Hall will be open on **Thursday 15 July between 9am and 5pm**. You can also call our contact centre on **0207 641 6000** and state that you are affected by the flooding. If you have adult social care or children's social care needs, our teams should have already been in contact but if not, we will have social workers in the area available to support you.

#### Our website contains more advice on:

- getting shopping and prescriptions or accessing foodbanks
- disposing of waste
- water supply issues
- safety and security issues
- insurance claims

**There is also advice for businesses affected by flooding on our website**, including advice on safe cleaning measures and dealing with electricity and gas supplies.

If you are a Westminster City Council tenant and have an emergency issue with your property, please call **0800 358 3783**.

### Public Health Updates

**ENTERING STEP 4 OF THE ROADMAP OUT OF LOCKDOWN:** From **Monday 19 July**, most legal restrictions to control COVID-19 will be lifted. This means:

- You will not need to stay two metres apart from people you do not live with and there will also be no limits on the number of people you can meet.
- All remaining businesses, such as nightclubs, will be able to reopen and capacity limits at sporting, entertainment, or business events will be lifted.
- There will no longer be limits on the number of people who can attend weddings, civil partnerships, funerals and other life events. There will be no requirement for table service at life events, or restrictions on singing/ dancing.
- There will no longer be restrictions on group sizes for attending communal worship
- The government is no longer instructing people to work from home.

However, cases are still high and rising across England and there is a risk you could catch or pass on the virus, even if you are fully vaccinated. You should continue to exercise caution and consider the risks. This means:

- Consider choosing to limit the contact you have with those you do not usually live with and increasing close contact gradually.
- Meet outdoors where possible and let fresh air into homes or other spaces.
- The requirement to wear face coverings in law will be lifted. However, it is expected and recommended that people wear face coverings in crowded areas such as public transport.
- Continue to get regular testing and self-isolate if required.
- Get vaccinated.
- Use the NHS COVID-19 app.
- Wash your hands regularly.

[Read the full guidance at the government's website](#) to be prepared for the changes taking place from Monday.

**18 AND OVER? GET A VACCINE THIS WEEKEND!** As we enter Step 4 from Monday, it's more important than ever to protect yourself. Getting both doses of your vaccine is the best way to do it. A number of large vaccine clinics are available this week and over the weekend in Westminster and neighbouring boroughs:

**First dose walk-in at St Johns Wood, Sunday 18 July, 9am to 5pm**

Pfizer and AstraZeneca vaccines are available to anyone aged 18 or over who has not yet had their first dose at Harris Academy, Marlborough Hill, St. John's Wood, NW8 0NL. Walk in, or [book a slot to guarantee an appointment](#).

**First and second dose walk-in at Chelsea FC, Saturday 17 July, 10am to 7pm**

Vaccines are available for anyone aged 18 or over for first or second doses at Stamford Bridge, Fulham Road, SW6 1HS. Please note that if you are booking for your second vaccination, at least eight weeks must have passed since your first. Walk-in, or [book a slot to guarantee an appointment](#).

**First dose walk-in at Little Venice, Friday 16 July, 9am to 5pm**

Pfizer and AstraZeneca vaccines are available at Little Venice Sports Centre, 10 Crompton Street, W2 1ND to anyone who has not had their first dose. Book via your GP or walk-in.

**40+ vaccine clinic in Soho, Saturday 17th July, 9am to 5pm**

The vaccine clinic at St Anne's Church, 55 Wardour Street, W1D 6LA will be offering the AstraZeneca vaccine to anyone aged 40 and over for their first or second dose. [Please book an appointment on Eventbrite](#).

**Walk-in appointments available at Marble Arch**

This large vaccine site at Marble Arch, 86 Edgware Road, W2 2EA is open every day from 9am to 7pm and walk-in appointments are currently available. Book your appointment [via the National Booking Portal](#) or walk-in.

**Vaccine bus**

The vaccine bus will be at Westbourne Festival on Saturday 17 July and Earl's Court Farmers Market on Sunday 18 July offering walk-in Pfizer vaccines to anyone aged 18 and over. [See more details here](#).

[Check out further vaccine sites on our website](#).