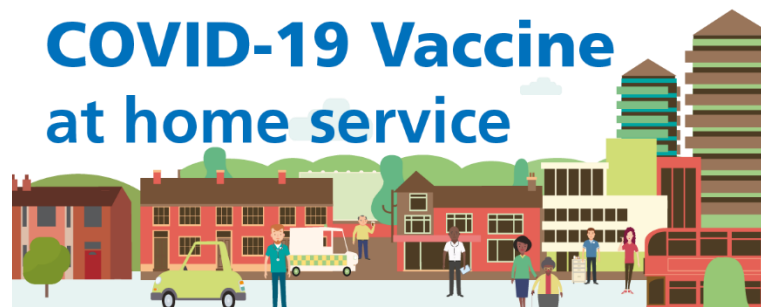




WEST LANCASHIRE
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Community Briefing –14th March 2022

- Between 5th March and 11th March, **579** people had a confirmed Covid-19 positive test result in West Lancashire. This shows an **increase of 72.3%** compared to the previous **7** days. *
- Follow this [link](#) to connect to the UK Government dashboard for a regularly updated short summary of the picture in West Lancashire.
- Covid infections have increased in West Lancashire again this week therefore it is imperative we continue to follow the government guidelines for 'Living with Covid' and ensure we are still trying to limit the spread by:
 - Getting vaccinated
 - Letting fresh air in if meeting indoors, or alternatively meet outside
 - Consider wearing a face covering in crowded, enclosed spaces
 - Get tested if you have COVID-19 symptoms, and stay at home if positive
- The 'Living with COVID-19' plan is as follows:
 - You will not be legally required to self-isolate if you test positive for COVID-19. Stay at home if you can and avoid contact with other people
 - You will not have to take daily tests or be legally required to self-isolate following contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19
 - The Test and Trace Support Payment Scheme will end. If you were told to self-isolate before 24 February, you can still make a claim up to 6 April
 - Full details of the plan can be found in this [link](#)
- **Ukrainian Support Appeal**
A big shout out to everyone - please can you let us know if you are arranging anything for the Ukrainian Support Appeal and if there's any way the Council can support?



- **COVID-19 Vaccine at home service**

Those who need it can now get a COVID-19 vaccine from the comfort of their own home.

The NHS in your area has launched a new initiative allowing anyone who cannot attend a vaccine clinic to get their vaccine at home. This service is for anyone aged 12 and over and provides all doses of the vaccine.

The initiative adds to the wide-range of options available with the aim of offering a COVID-19 vaccine to as many people as possible.

On completion of a quick questionnaire or by calling 0300 790 6856 (between 10 am to 8 pm daily), someone from the vaccine programme outreach team will be in touch to arrange a convenient time to visit and administer the jab.

Click [here](#) for more information.
- Grants of up to £15,000 are available for locally led land and marine rewilding projects. Rewilding Britain's Rewilding Innovation Fund will support between fifteen and twenty innovative projects seeking to create new opportunities for large-scale nature restoration through community engagement, business plans for enterprises such as ecotourism that generate income for the local economy or using new technology in rewilding.
- Applicants must be members of the Rewilding Network, which could include community groups, landowners, land managers, farmers and local groups. The deadline for applications is the 31st March 2022. For more information click [here](#).
- To access a full list of funding which has been made available to help with the impact that Covid -19 is having on local communities follow this link: <https://www.grantsonline.org.uk/coronavirus.html>