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Community testing is now live for residents of Boston borough

A major Covid-19 testing programme has gone live in Boston Borough this week for people without symptoms of the virus. All residents over the age of 16 are encouraged to do their bit and take a test to help drive down the infection rate in the Borough.

Around one in three people who are infected with Covid-19 have no symptoms so could be spreading the disease without knowing it. Broadening testing to identify those showing no symptoms will mean finding positive cases quickly and breaking chains of transmission.

Testing is taking place at the following locations:

Peter Paine Performance Centre, Rosebery Avenue, Boston PE21 7QR

Tollfield Campus Haven High, Tollfield Road, Boston PE21 9PN

Testing is available between 8am and 8pm with no booking necessary. The sites will remain operational 7 days a week until Sunday, February 14, 2021.

The test used provides an indication as to whether you have the virus in around one hour.

Those testing positive will be required to have a full Covid-19 test.

Health professionals will be on site to assist.

The testing of people without symptoms will help provide a more accurate picture of cases in the Boston Borough and will help prevent people from spreading it to their loved ones and people they work with.

Those who have symptoms of Covid-19 are to continue booking a test in the usual way by calling 119 or visiting www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test

Alison Fairman, resident of Boston borough was first on site Monday morning at the Tollfield Campus Haven High for her test, she said: "It is easy and well worth doing, it gives you piece of mind and knowing that you can nip to the supermarket for that essential shop and not be putting others in danger is so reassuring."

"I urge everyone who is eligible to go and get tested. Let's get this town back to the way we all know and love it."

More information is available at www.mybostonuk.com/rapidtesting

Garden Waste Collections 2021/22

Love gardening but dislike the time, mess and cost of taking the waste to the tip? The fast, clean and cost effective alternative is a subscription to Boston Borough Council's efficient garden waste collection service and you could also be in with a chance of getting your garden waste taken away FOR FREE this coming growing season. Read full article at <https://bit.ly/2FyOd8f>

Democratic Services Job Vacancy

We are looking for a well-organised, motivated individual to join the Democratic Services Team. Working as part of a small and busy team, your role will be to support the Council's democratic process, supporting a wide range of Committees, from the preparation of agendas; to the taking of minutes at meetings [which at the moment are all virtual using Zoom] and communicating effectively with Councillors, officers and the public. This is a full time position, salary £21,701 to £24,790. Closing date midnight 14th February 2021 Read more about the role at <https://www.mybostonuk.com/working-for-us/>

Council Tourism Manager to lead national industry event

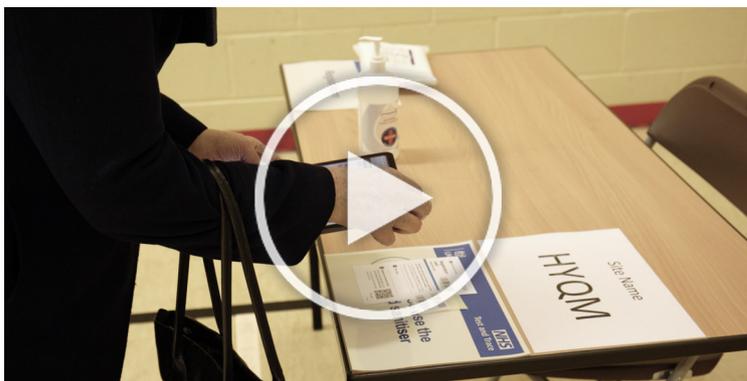
This Thursday, Lydia Rusling, Assistant Director for Towns Fund and Head of Economic Development & Tourism at East Lindsey District and Boston Borough Councils will host a national Public Policy Exchange event that looks at the future of tourism in the UK. Read more at <https://bit.ly/39Ktplj>



Revocation of Bargate Bridge Air Quality Management Area – Consultation

Boston Borough Council has two Air Quality Management Areas (AQMA's) within the district known as Haven Bridge Road AQMA and Bargate Bridge AQMA. Boston Borough Council is currently considering the revocation of the Bargate Bridge AQMA that was declared by order under the Environment Act 1995 in 2005. The order was originally declared as a result of a failure to meet national statutory air quality standards at a number of residential receptors in this area with respect to nitrogen dioxide, a pollutant associated in the main with vehicular traffic. Read more and make comment at <https://bit.ly/3bUjZNo>

See below short video process of the Rapid testing



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