



Dear resident,

With the extension of government restrictions and cases of the Delta variant spreading in England, I urge residents to keep following the latest guidance to protect themselves and others to help control the spread of COVID-19.

Please remember Hands. Face. Space. Fresh Air by continuing to wash your hands, avoiding touching your face, wearing a mask, social distancing and meeting in the fresh air you can help to keep everyone safe. It is also important to get tested regularly and you are encouraged to take the vaccine when you are eligible.

The second dose of the vaccine is especially important as it provides you with stronger and longer lasting protection. It is important that everyone gets two doses.



Guidance on booking your first and second vaccination

Vaccination uptake across Hillingdon continues to gather pace. The NHS programme has now seen more than 290,555 first and second doses being given to Hillingdon residents. This is impressive – thank you to those who have come forward.

The vaccine is safe and effective and offers you the best protection against coronavirus - please consider taking it when it's your turn.

Those aged 18 or over and those turning 18 before Thursday 1 July can book their vaccine along with the other priority groups via the national booking system.

In addition, residents aged between 40 to 55 are now eligible to receive their second dose and should have received a text message from their GP.

If you have already had your first dose, please book your second vaccination as soon as you can. Your second dose will ensure you have stronger and longer lasting protection.



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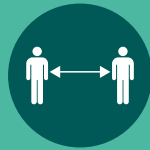
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Step four out of lockdown - update

On Monday 14 June, the government announced that stage four of its roadmap out of lockdown would be delayed by up to four weeks from Monday 21 June to Monday 19 July (subject to infection rates and hospitalisation figures).

Rules ordering the wearing of face coverings in enclosed public spaces, limiting groups to six people indoors and 30 outdoors, and keeping nightclubs shut remain in place while the government monitors the spread of the Delta variant and delivers more first and second doses of the vaccine.

Residents are encouraged to follow social distancing guidelines and take the vaccine when offered to help keep Hillingdon safe.

[Find out more](#)



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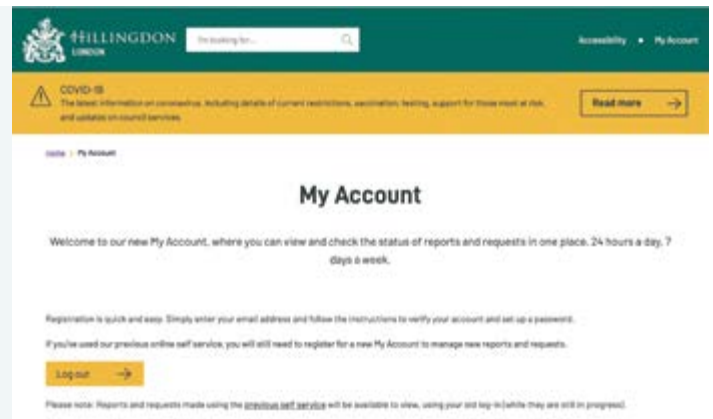
The council has launched a brand-new online MyAccount that allows you to view and check the status of reports and requests in one place, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Registration is done via the council's website and is quick and easy. Simply enter your email address and follow the instructions to verify your account and set up a password.

If you used the old 'do it online' system, which has now been switched off, please register for a new MyAccount. If you log on to the old system, you will be redirected.

The way you can report issues and make requests, including applying or booking some of our services, has also changed. Use the search box on our website to find our services and complete one of our new-look online forms. While you don't need a MyAccount to report fly-tipping, request recycling bags, tell us about a problem in a road, or something else entirely, reporting it via the new online portal provides you with real-time updates on your query.

The new online services are part of the council's long-term plan to maximise the use of digital platforms for the benefit of residents.



[Sign up for an account](#)

Your last chance to apply for the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS)

EU, EEA or Swiss citizens and their families have only seven days left to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS).

The scheme allows you to continue living and working in the UK following Brexit.

The deadline for applications is Wednesday 30 June.



[Find out more and apply](#)

Take the next step in your career with our virtual fair

Whether you're looking to take the next step, or the first step in your career, our online Careers Fair on Wednesday 30 June, from 10am to 8pm, has all the help you need.

Virtually meet potential employers from top organisations including the NHS and Thames Valley Police, hear guest speakers, attend one-to-one virtual advice sessions and learn vital CV and interview techniques.



[Find out more and register](#)

Join a walking group

Our Walk Hillingdon programme runs free guided walks through many of the borough's award-winning parks. These walks are a great way to meet people and are suitable for a variety of fitness levels. From July onwards, even more walks will be returning to the programme, offering further locations for residents to enjoy and take part in.

Booking in advance is essential to ensure safe group sizes can be maintained.

Alternatively, downloadable self-guided walking tours and easy-to-follow directions are available for a range of Hillingdon routes and trails.



[Find out more and book](#)

Get voting! Food waste truck names shortlisted for public vote

Residents are invited to vote for their favourite names put forward by local primary schoolchildren for the council's new fleet of food waste trucks.

The competition, which ran throughout May, saw more than 250 entries from pupils across the borough giving the judges a tough job of shortlisting 15 finalists for a final vote by the public.

Voting is open until Thursday 1 July and the five names with the highest votes will be printed onto the trucks.



[Find out more and vote](#)

Introducing the new Mayor of Hillingdon

Cllr Roy Chamdal was elected Mayor of Hillingdon at the council's Annual General Meeting last month. He replaces retiring Mayor, Cllr Teji Barnes, in the prestigious role to highlight positive work taking place across the borough. The Mayoress is Reeta Chamdal, and the Mayor's Escort is Evangeline Chamdal.

His chosen charities are Domestic Abuse Survivors (DAS) and the Navratri Garba, which he will be raising money for through a range of activities throughout the year.

He chose DAS due to the rise in domestic abuse incidents during the pandemic and was impressed by how they cared for those who turned to them for support.

Navratri Garba provides free food to those most in need. Cllr Chamdal was inspired by how the charity supports the wider community. He hopes to raise awareness of the extraordinary work that both these charities do for residents.

The Deputy Mayor is Cllr Becky Haggard and the Deputy Mayor's Consort is Marios Kaikitis.

If you would like the Mayor to attend your activity, please call 01895 250763 or email mayor@hillington.gov.uk.



[Find out more](#)

Apply now for the Tashan Daniel bursary scheme

Young people in Hillingdon can apply for the next round of the Tashan Daniel Award bursary from Monday 28 June until Sunday 11 July, to support their aspirations in sport, culture and education.

The council created the award in memory of young resident Tashan Daniel, aged 20 from Hillingdon, who was tragically killed in an unprovoked attack at Hillingdon Underground station in September 2019.

The memorial bursary is available to Hillingdon residents up to the age of 21, and council funding will be allocated to successful applicants for requests including sports equipment, qualifications in art and culture, vocational courses in further education, and sports training and competing opportunities (in the UK only).



[Find out more and apply](#)

Check out our virtual library events

Hillingdon libraries host a variety of virtual sessions and activities for all ages to enjoy.

They include themed coffee mornings, read aloud sessions, open mic nights, book clubs, poetry readings, arts and crafts and gardening.

The popular Culture Bite author interview series also continues throughout the year, featuring live broadcasts by well-known authors streamed via Hillingdon libraries' social media channels. Residents can also engage with authors by booking one of the evening panel events held on Zoom; which bring multiple authors together to discuss things like their books, getting published and more. Missed an event? Don't worry, as there's also the chance to watch back past interviews via the Hillingdon libraries Facebook page.



[Find out more](#)

FIESTA summer activity programme – booking opens soon

Our FIESTA summer programme is back for another year - with more than 70 courses for five to 19-year-olds (up to 25 with special needs) in Hillingdon.

From Monday 26 July to Friday 27 August, we'll be running lots of fun sessions, including:

- dance
- sports
- motor mechanics
- outdoor activities
- young enterprise courses
- cooking

Courses will take place at various venues across the borough, including our young people's centres, community centres and sports halls.

Bookings will open online on Wednesday 30 June.

Please note: Spaces will be limited and bookings will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Holiday Activity and Food Programme

We will also be offering the government's Holiday Activity and Food Programme for children who are eligible for free school meals. More information will be available soon.



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