



## **LOCAL OUTBREAK ENGAGEMENT BOARD**

**15 JUNE 2021**

### **SUPPLEMENTARY PAPERS**

**TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL OUTBREAK ENGAGEMENT BOARD**

The following papers have been added to the agenda for the above meeting.

These were not available for publication with the rest of the agenda.

The papers provide an update for Agenda Item 4 and Agenda Item 5 combined.

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<b>4. NATIONAL AND LOCAL COVID-19 STATUS AND ROADMAP UPDATE</b>	<b>1 - 14</b>
To provide an update on the status of the Covid-19 pandemic at a national and local level and to give guidance on understanding and using available data at a local level.	

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# **Roadmap and epidemiological update and surge testing in Bracknell Forest**

**Local Outbreak Engagement Board  
15<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

# The roadmap remains at step 3

There will be a 4-week pause at Step 3. Step 3 restrictions remain in place. It is expected to move to Step 4 on 19 July, though the data will be reviewed after 2 weeks in case the risks have reduced. A move to Step 4 will be confirmed one week in advance.

Detail of changes here <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictions-what-you-can-and-cannot-do?>

In summary, from 21<sup>st</sup> June:

- Weddings and civil partnership ceremonies and receptions and celebrations and commemorative events following a death will be determined by how many people a venue can safely accommodate with social distancing in place.
- Large events pilots – a limited number will continue
- Care home visits – residents will be able to nominate an essential care giver who will be able to visit even if the resident is isolating.
- Domestic residential visits for children for up to 30 children will be permitted
- Acceleration of vaccination programme (bringing second dose forward from 12 weeks to 8 weeks) to be extended to all those age 40 years and over and CEV individuals (previously 50 years and over)

# Case rates across Berkshire

Bracknell Forest has had 7,393 confirmed cases of COVID-19 so far. Over the last 7 days (2<sup>nd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> June) there has been 121 new cases of COVID-19.

The current weekly rate is 98.7 per 100,000 population, which is a 15% increase on the week before and a 1252% increase on the week prior to that.

Bracknell Forest's rate for people aged 60 and over has increased this week to 20.3, whereas it had remained relatively stable at 4.1 per 100,000 population, though numbers are small

## Situational Awareness indicators from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> June \* in comparison to previous 7-day period

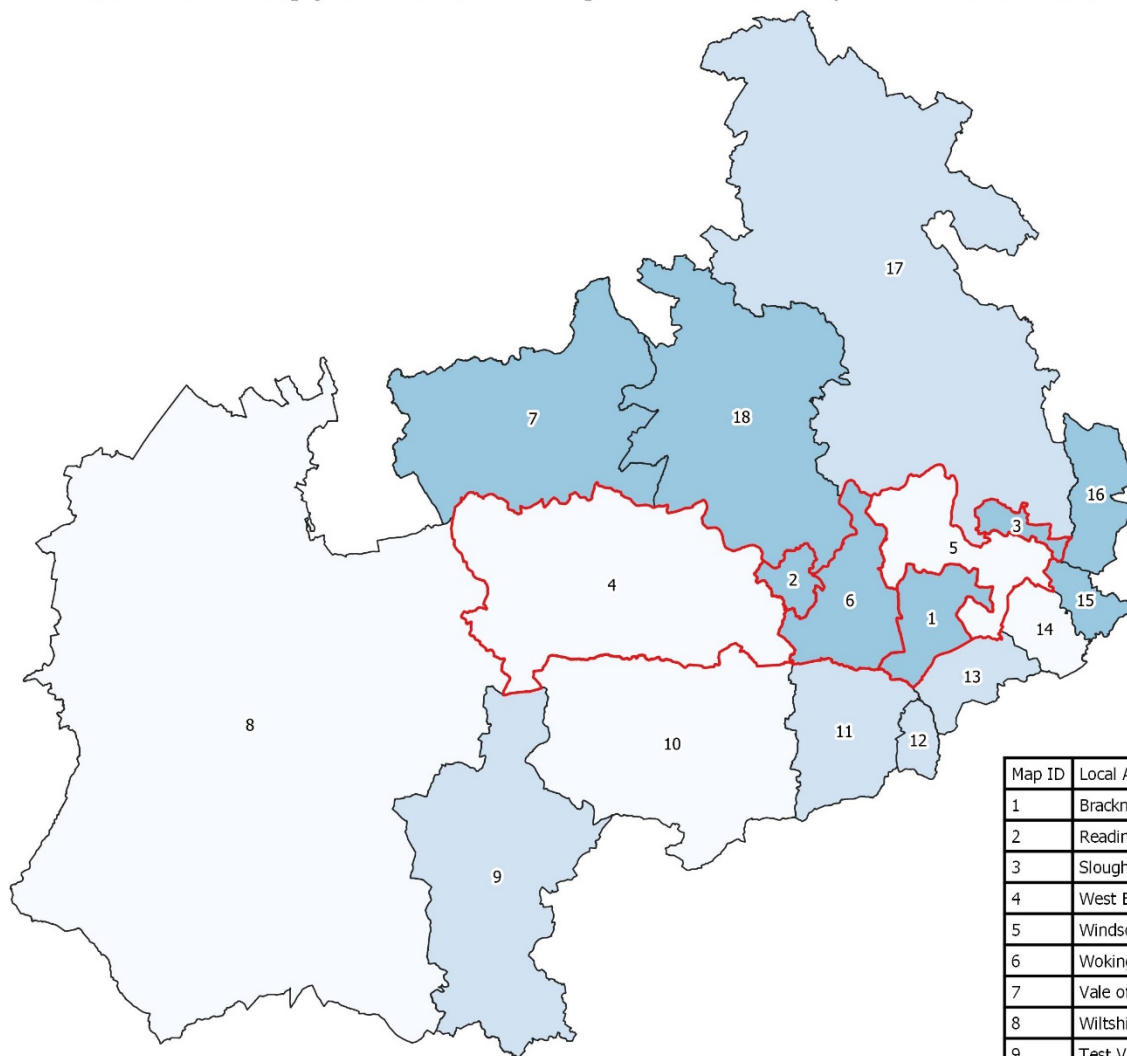
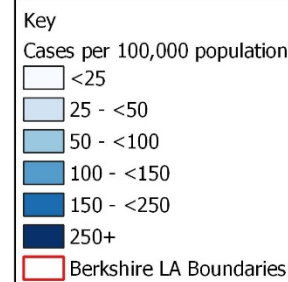
UTLA	Area name	Daily individuals tested per 100,000 population 7-day moving average	Weekly percentage individuals test positive	Weekly no. of newly confirmed cases	Weekly case rate per 100,000 All ages	7-day change in case rate All ages	Weekly no. of newly confirmed cases 60+ yrs	Weekly case rate per 100,000 60+ yrs	7-day change in case rate 60+ yrs
▲									
PHE Centre	South East	427.9 ▲	1.2 ▲	3,378	37.9	49%	162	7.2	22%
Bracknell Forest	Bracknell Forest	429.6 ▲	3.1 ▲	121	98.7	15%	5	20.3	395%
Reading	Reading	701.7 ▲	1.7 ▼	144	89.0	-6%	5	18.4	25%
Slough	Slough	409.2 ▼	2.8 ▲	124	82.9	13%	3	14.0	-25%
West Berkshire	West Berkshire	342.2 ▲	1.1 =	41	25.9	17%	3	7.5	200%
Windsor and Maidenhead	Windsor and Maidenhead	390.2 ▼	0.7 ▲	31	20.5	41%	1	2.7	0%
Wokingham	Wokingham	724.2 ▲	1.9 ▼	159	92.9	24%	5	12.7	149%

Source: PHE Regional South East Situational Awareness Report (14<sup>th</sup> June 2021)

\* Dates and figures refer to specimen date

# Situational Awareness

**Weekly Rate of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases per 100,000 by Lower Tier Local Authority.**  
Data covers 7-day period from 28th May to 3rd June 2021 (Published 8th June 2021)



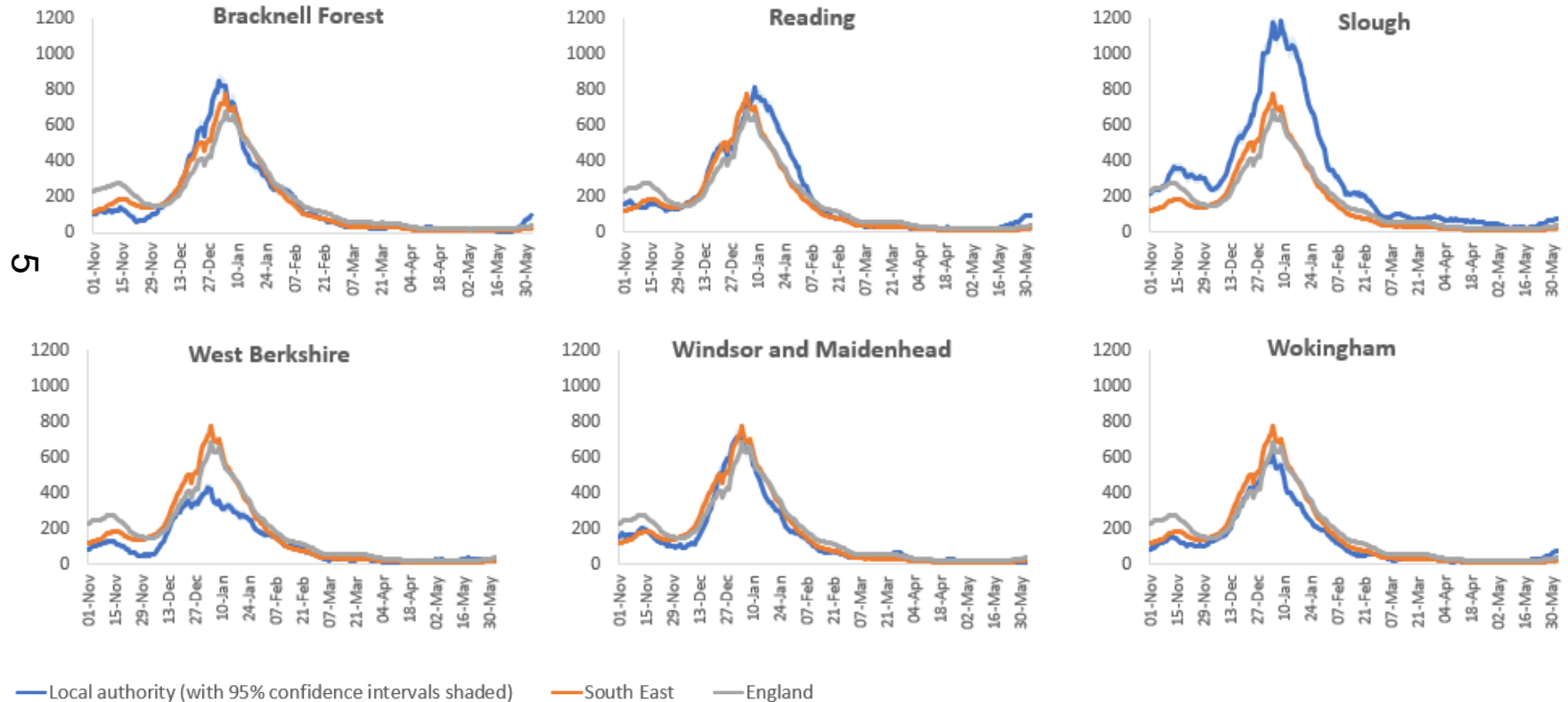
Map ID	Local Authority	Map ID	Local Authority
1	Bracknell Forest	11	Hart
2	Reading	12	Rushmoor
3	Slough	13	Surrey Heath
4	West Berkshire	14	Runnymede
5	Windsor and Maidenhead	15	Spelthorne
6	Wokingham	16	Hillingdon
7	Vale of White Horse	17	Buckinghamshire
8	Wiltshire	18	South Oxfordshire
9	Test Valley		
10	Basingstoke & Deane		

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# Epidemiology of cases in Berkshire local authorities

Weekly rate of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population (7-day rolling average)

Data from the most recent 4 days have been excluded from the charts as these will be incomplete



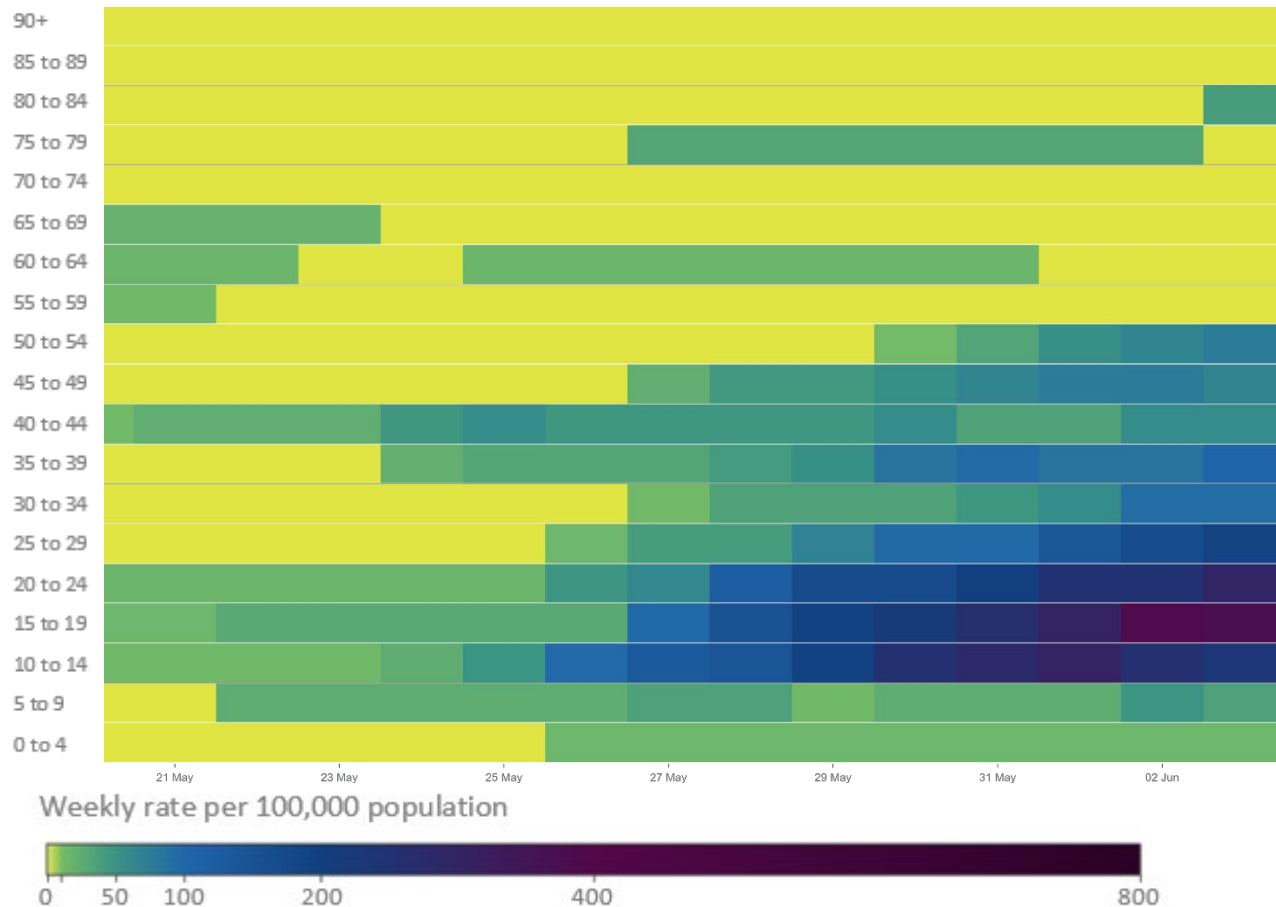
Source: PHE Second Generation Surveillance System (SGSS)

# Bracknell Forest

Weekly rate information is now available by 5-year age band. This heatmap enables us to see the levels of Covid-19 diagnoses by age group in Bracknell Forest and this has changed over time. Darker colours show higher weekly care rates by 100,000 population.

Weekly case rates at 3<sup>rd</sup> June show the highest rates in people aged 15 to 19 (374 per 100k) and 20 to 24 (296 per 100k). There were no cases for adults aged 85 and over.

Weekly rates by age group in Bracknell Forest from 20<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2021



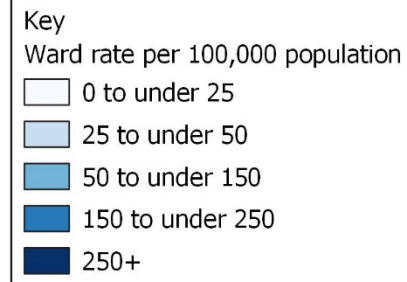
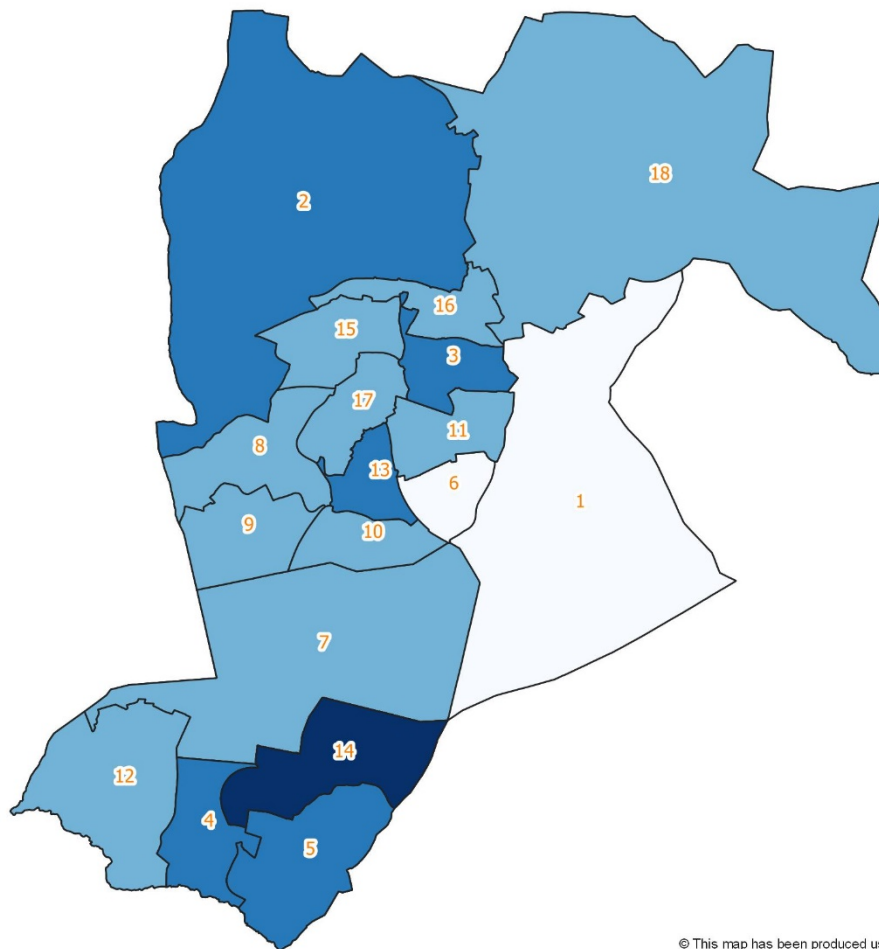
Information on case rates since the start of the pandemic can be found at: [Cases | Coronavirus in the UK \(data.gov.uk\)](#)



# Bracknell Forest

2- Weekly rate of confirmed COVID-19 cases by Ward in Bracknell Forest  
for the period 21st May to 3rd June 2021

Map ID	Ward Name
1	Ascot Ward
2	Binfield with Warfield Ward
3	Bullbrook Ward
4	Central Sandhurst Ward
5	College Town Ward
6	Crown Wood Ward
7	Crowthorne Ward
8	Great Hollands North Ward
9	Great Hollands South Ward
10	Hanworth Ward
11	Harmans Water Ward
12	Little Sandhurst and Wellington Ward
13	Old Bracknell Ward
14	Owlsmoor Ward
15	Priestwood and Garth Ward
16	Warfield Harvest Ride Ward
17	Wildridings and Central Ward
18	Winkfield and Cranbourne Ward



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To see case, rate and trend information at an MSOA-level, go to <https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/details/interactive-map>

# Proposal for Surge Testing

1. As transmission of the Delta variant is now also being seen in the wider community and evidence suggests community transmission is occurring that is not linked to school clusters and outbreaks it is proposed to undertake surge testing.
2. Surge testing involves testing as many people (who do not have symptoms) who live, work or study in a specific area as possible. This will help us to identify cases and stop further spread.
3. Positive tests will be sequenced to enable a better understanding of the variant and identifying if there are any more cases of this particular strand of the virus in the area. If someone tests positive, they must self-isolate immediately and pass on details on their contacts to NHS Test and Trace so they can be alerted to also self-isolate and break the chain of transmission.

# Covid-19 Vaccinations in Berkshire East

Vaccination coverage in Berkshire East LAs by age group (8-Dec-20 to 30-May-21)

## Dose 1 Coverage

LA	16-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80+	16+	50+
Bracknell Forest	17%	42%	68%	77%	82%	88%	90%	90%	92%	94%	95%	96%	67%	91%
Slough	15%	37%	52%	64%	71%	77%	80%	82%	85%	88%	89%	87%	55%	82%
RBWM	17%	46%	65%	76%	81%	85%	87%	89%	92%	93%	95%	95%	69%	90%
South East	19%	40%	61%	76%	82%	87%	89%	91%	93%	95%	96%	96%	68%	92%
England	20%	38%	57%	71%	78%	84%	87%	90%	92%	94%	95%	95%	65%	90%

Bracknell Forest's dose 1 coverage rates for people aged 50 and over are significantly higher than England's. RBWM's are similar to England's and Slough's are significantly lower.

## Dose 2 Coverage

LA	16-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80+	16+	50+
Bracknell Forest	9%	13%	16%	18%	23%	38%	43%	65%	88%	91%	93%	91%	36%	66%
Slough	8%	12%	13%	19%	26%	41%	44%	57%	77%	82%	84%	84%	29%	60%
RBWM	9%	11%	14%	22%	32%	57%	59%	74%	88%	91%	93%	88%	44%	75%
South East	11%	16%	18%	23%	29%	51%	54%	77%	88%	93%	94%	93%	44%	75%
England	11%	15%	18%	23%	31%	51%	56%	75%	87%	92%	93%	92%	43%	75%

Bracknell Forest and Slough's dose 2 coverage rates for people aged 50 and over are significantly lower than England's. RBWM's are similar to England's.

Source: [Statistics » COVID-19 Vaccinations \(england.nhs.uk\)](https://statistics.nhs.uk/covid-19-vaccinations)

# Testing strategy

- Surge testing from 16<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021.
- Postcode GU47 0
  - All residents and those who work in the area
  - No care homes
- Across Bracknell Forest
  - All Secondary School – staff and students
  - All Primary School staff
  - Binfield Primary School – staff and students
- <sup>10</sup> Mobile Testing sites at 5 community locations
- Increased vaccination provision
- Delivery to secondary schools for home testing plus guided tests via mobile unit at Sandhurst school
- Door knocking for vulnerable individuals
- Delivery to primary schools and business settings for home testing

# Who should get tested

## GU47 0

- If you live or work in the GU47 0 postcode area; and
- If you're over 11 years old (Year 7); and
- If you have no COVID-19 symptoms.
- Even if you've been vaccinated, or are doing regular rapid lateral flow tests you should still get tested.
- You do not need to test if you have had a positive COVID-19 PCR test in the past 90 days.
- If you have symptoms, please do not come forward for surge testing, call 119 or visit [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) to book a symptomatic PCR test.

## Schools

- If you work or school in a Bracknell Forest Secondary School or college
- If you work in a primary school
- If you work or school in Binfield Primary school
- Even if you've been vaccinated, or are doing regular rapid lateral flow tests you should still get tested.
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# Where to get tested

## Testing site locations for GU47 0 residents and workers

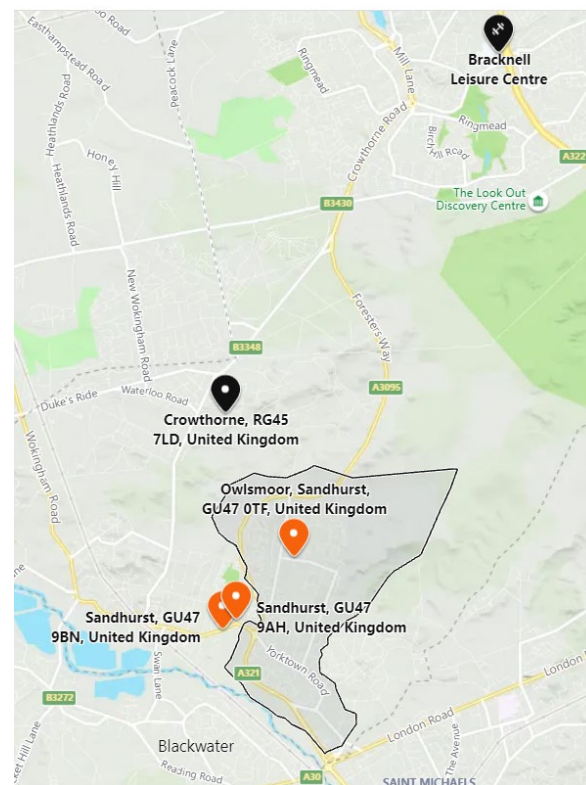
Pyres Acre car park, Yorktown Road, Sandhurst, GU47 9AH

Sandhurst Memorial Hall, 161 Yorktown Road, Sandhurst, GU47 9BN

Owlsmoor Community Centre, Yeovil Road, Owlsmoor, Sandhurst GU47 0TF

Morgan Centre, Wellington Rd, Crowthorne RG45 7LD

Bracknell Leisure Centre (afternoon and evening, still symptomatic booked tests in the morning)



- Tests will be delivered to all schools so school communities should access their tests through their school
- Businesses in the GU47 0 can have tests delivered to them
- Those who are vulnerable and unable to leave the house can also have tests delivered to them
- Up-to-date information will be posted on the borough council's website in the coming days  
<https://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/coronavirus-information-and-support/surge-testing-covid-19-variant> – this will tell you where test centres are and when they are open

# Continued Local Outbreak Management Response

- Surge testing for only those in GU47 0 and school population as explained - via the dedicated sites, your school or your workplace if located in the GU47 0 area.
- If you have coronavirus symptoms or have had a positive lateral flow test you should continue to book a test at GOV.UK, via the NHS Covid-19 app or by calling 119.
- Everyone else across the borough should continue to engage in twice weekly lateral flow testing to quickly identify infection and self-isolate to break the chain of transmission.
- **Self-isolation is essential for anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 and their household members, for anyone with symptoms awaiting a test result and their household members or for anyone who has been advised they are a close contact of a case in order to break the chain of transmission.**
- HANDS FACE SPACE AND FRESH AIR
- Wear a face covering where necessary
- Full vaccination (2 doses) is one of the best lines of defence against becoming seriously ill from COVID-19.

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