



Your council is here to help you

Welcome to Havant Borough Council's online newsletter which gives you the opportunity to find out more about what's going on and keep you up-to-date with our news.

During the current situation we're working hard to provide essential services for the people of Havant borough.

We want to make sure you know where to get the latest reliable information.



[From 00.01 on Saturday 19 December, Havant borough will be in TIER 3 – VERY HIGH ALERT](#)

Following the announcement from the government today, Havant borough (which includes **Hayling Island, Emsworth, Leigh Park and Waterlooville**) will move to coronavirus restrictions for **[TIER 3 – VERY HIGH ALERT](#)** from 00.01 on Saturday 19 December.

Around one in three people with coronavirus have no symptoms so could be spreading the virus



[Contacting us over Christmas](#)

From midday Thursday 24 December to Monday 4 January the council will be closed except for essential services and emergencies.

Please contact 023 9244 6019 or visit www.havant.gov.uk/outofhours for emergencies relating to Havant Borough Council services.

without realising. We must all take action to protect each other and our hospital capacity.

For more information and detailed guidance visit:

www.gov.uk/coronavirus

From 23 to 27 December, you will be able to form a [Christmas bubble](#).



Keep it small, keep it short, keep it local this Christmas

We are at a critical moment in our response to coronavirus. It's vital we make the right choices to reduce the spread of the virus and save lives.

The government plans to allow families and friends to meet in 'Christmas bubbles' from 23 to 27 December.

[Click here for more information.](#)



Changes to bin collections over Christmas

The Christmas period will see changes to the dates of many waste collections - including rubbish, recycling, garden and bulky items.

Find out when your [bins will be collected here](#).

Please ensure your bin is out by 7am on your changed collection day.

Havant Borough Council and our waste partners Norse South East would like to thank our residents for their support throughout 2020.

We wish you a safe festive period and a happy new year.

Christmas waste collections



Recycling right this Christmas

After the presents are unwrapped and the food is eaten, the Christmas



Christmas travel period 23 to 27 December

If you're [part of a Christmas bubble this year](#) in order to visit family or friends, you're probably thinking about your travel plans.

You can find [full travel guidance for the Christmas period on the Government's website](#).



Stay safe, shop local

Find unique gifts for Christmas at shops in your local high street.

Visit: www.havant.gov.uk/stay-safe-shop-local#shop-local

holidays often leave us with a lot of rubbish – or is it recycling?

Here are some helpful tips to ensure you waste less and recycle more this Christmas:

- Avoid shiny, glittery or foil wrapping paper as this cannot be recycled.
- Cardboard boxes can be flattened to make more space in your recycling bin.
- Do not put plastic wrapping and film in your recycling bin.
- Pizza boxes and snack tubes are rubbish, they are not recyclable, even if the outer layer is cardboard.
- Set your fridge to less than 5°C to keep your food fresher for longer. If you are unsure of the temperature of your fridge go to www.chillthefridgeout.com for more details.
- Transform your Christmas dinner leftovers into delicious dishes, visit www.lovefoodhatewaste.com for recipe ideas.
- Do not put old batteries into your recycling. You can take them to any local retailer that sells batteries, as they will collect for disposal. More information can be found at www.recyclenow.com/what-to-do-with/batteries-1

More information on [Christmas recycling](#) visit www.havant.gov.uk



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NEW RULES FOR BUSINESS ARE COMING

NEW RULES ON EXPORTS, IMPORTS,
TARIFFS, DATA AND HIRING

ACT NOW AT
GOV.UK/TRANSITION

Brexit transition: make sure your business is ready

The transition period is ending on 31 December and the UK will no longer be part of the EU Customs Union and Single Market. Regardless of whether we reach a free trade agreement with the EU, there will be new rules for businesses from 1 January 2021 which require immediate action.

If you haven't already, visit www.gov.uk/transition and use the checker tool to quickly identify the actions that your business needs to take.



Get ready for census 2021

The census is a survey that happens every 10 years and



Your view matters across the county

Hampshire County Council is currently recruiting for a new online residents' forum – Hampshire Perspectives – which aims to provide local people with the opportunity to help shape the delivery of essential public services, and support Hampshire as we navigate through coronavirus.

The county council is inviting residents from the borough, aged over 18 to join the forum and share their opinions through short, online surveys and groups.

Forum members can expect to be contacted every two to four weeks, via email, and asked a small number of questions. There will also be opportunities for those taking part to provide more in-depth feedback via face to face meetings, when it is safe to do so.

To register your interest, please complete this short [online questionnaire](#)

gives us a picture of all the people and households in England and Wales.

All kinds of organisations, from local authorities to charities, use the information collected to help provide the services we all need, including transport, education and healthcare. Without the census, it would be much more difficult to do this.

By taking part on Sunday 21 March 2021, you'll be helping make sure you and your community get the services needed now and in the future.

Census 2021 needs at least 30,000 field staff across England and Wales. If you're a people person, have great customer service skills and want to be part of something that affects all of us, then [apply for a job with the census](#).



Santa is reading it - are you?

Havant Borough Council's Serving You magazine has now been delivered to every household in the borough.

If you've missed it and would like to join Santa in this informative read, just [click here to read it online](#).



We're here to help this holiday

The Hampshire Coronavirus Helpline will be running over the Christmas period to provide support for people struggling to

cope with the effects of the pandemic.

Whether you need food, medicine or simply someone to talk to, there is someone who can help you over the holiday.

The helpline will be open during these times:

21 – 23 December	9am - 4.30p
24 December	9am - 4.30p
25 December	Closed
26 to 28 December	10am - 3pm
29 to 31 December	9am - 5pm
1 January	Closed
2 and 3 January	10am - 3pm
4 Jan onwards	9am - 4.30p

Hampshire Coronavirus Support and Help
0333 370 4000 



HM Government

We must keep on protecting each other.

HANDS **FACE** **SPACE**

STAY ALERT CONTROL THE VIRUS SAVE LIVES

NHS

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