

# Finding this winter even harder because of Coronavirus?

## We are here to help.

Norfolk County Council's Covid Winter Support scheme can help with:

- Day to day living costs including food & energy bills
- Daily essentials such as toiletries & nappies
- Food vouchers for school holidays

Find out more online or call us now

[www.norfolk.gov.uk/covidwintersupport](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/covidwintersupport)

**0344 800 8020**

Or visit your local library for help with applying



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## Norfolk Community Foundation is helping Norfolk charities to deliver essential food provision this winter

During Covid-19, we know that many local charities are going the extra mile to get food to the vulnerable people who need it – as well as caring for their health and wellbeing. Our pilot scheme with Access Community Trust's Pink Orange food delivery service aims to help ease the pressure on stretched staff and volunteers by supplying free food boxes for charities to provide to the people who need them most.

Each box provides ingredients for a meal for the whole household, including recipe card, cooking instructions and how-to video (linked through a QR code). You can let us know if there are any special dietary needs, or food preferences.

### How it works:

- Call Pink Orange on 07553 893992 and tell them what the family/ individual needs - they'll take a few details so boxes can be packed to your requirements
- A box will be delivered to your charity within 72 hours to pass to the recipient, so you can continue to be their point of contact and support
- Food boxes are provided at no cost to your charity.

There may be some households that your staff/ volunteers struggle to reach – if so, Pink Orange can deliver to their door for you at no cost. Please note this will involve providing address details, which needs to be done with consent. Any details provided will be recorded securely.

### About the pilot

As part of our Surviving the Covid Winter action, NCF has joined forces with charity Access Community Trust to provide a rapid response service which dispatches free Pink Orange essential food provisions with a quick and simple telephone call to support our local charities.

This pilot aims to help smaller charities and community groups who are providing vital support to people who face real challenges during the pandemic. This service is not intended to replace existing, funded food provision, but to assist community organisations who are struggling to cover the cost of the extra help they are working hard to give.

This pilot will end on 31 March 2021. We're keen to collect feedback from any charities that use the service, so please do let us know how it worked for you.

Up to 30 boxes can be ordered at a time.

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## Vaccination Centre Update

Norfolk ALC Wellbeing <Wellbeing@norfolcalc.gov.uk>

Fri 18/12/2020 13:52

To: hinghamtc@hotmail.com <hinghamtc@hotmail.com>

Mrs Alison Doe  
Hingham Town Council [South Norfolk]

Dear Alison & all councillors of Hingham Town Council



**Norfolk and Waveney**  
Clinical Commissioning Group

## Vaccination Centre Update

As well as the two centres at the Norfolk and Norwich and the James Paget Hospitals the Norfolk and Waveney Clinical commissioning Group has announced that the

following centres are now open

- Fakenham Medical Practice, Fakenham
- St James Medical Practice, King's Lynn
- Lionwood Medical Practice, Norwich
- Falkland Surgery, Bradwell
- Swanton Morley Surgery, Swanton Morley
- Thetford Healthy Living Centre, Thetford
- Kirkley Mill Surgery, Lowestoft

These seven sites will be acting as 'primary care hubs': vaccinating patients from their own practice as well as other neighbouring practices from this week:

Those who are most at risk from COVID-19 are being prioritised first; members of the public who are over 80 years-old, care home workers and a small number for at risk frontline NHS staff.

GP practices work closely together with neighbouring practices in local groups called Primary Care Networks (PCNs). Each PCN will have a designated vaccination site, providing a good geographical spread of vaccination locations across Norfolk and Waveney.

Each of these sites will vaccinate patients from across a number of the PCN's member practices – not just those on their own surgery list. People in the 'at risk' priority groups will be contacted to make an appointment no matter which practice they are registered with.

Following the go live of the first seven GP practice vaccination sites this week, the local NHS is working with PCNs to mobilise additional large and small community sites over the coming weeks and months.

GP practices are working through their lists and booking in the first patients for vaccination appointments at either the hospital hubs based in Norwich and Great Yarmouth or at a local GP surgery site. All those being vaccinated will be asked to fill in a health screening questionnaire and consent form.

**Vaccination is the only way we are going to overcome this virus.**

**Protecting the most vulnerable of our residents is so very important and The County Council needs your help to co-ordinate transport for those unable to make their own way to these centres.**

**Can YOU help by encouraging local volunteer groups to register their lift services as set out below**

Norfolk County Council have asked us to get this message out to all Town and Parish Councils asking you to contact local driver schemes and volunteer groups you are aware of and ask them to upload details to the community directory so they can help connect people to local services.



### Help needed to take the "over 80's" and others for vaccination

The County Council are supporting the Clinical Commissioning Groups with how they transport people to the N&N and the James Paget hospitals for Covid vaccines and the will additional sites that came this week across Norfolk.

It notes that many people will be well used to getting to and from the hospital, many will use public transport and be linked in with volunteer transport already, which is great. However, many will not and will need help getting there.

They should go to <https://communitydirectory.norfolk.gov.uk/> to upload this information.

Whilst the volunteer driver scheme that NCC manages will be able to help a lot of people, they are a limited resource centrally and affected by the fact that many of their drivers are older people, so we are trying to make it as easy as possible for people to get transport



Keep well



Keep safe



enjoy the festive season break

With kind regards

*John W Pennell*

**Chairman: Well-Being Initiative Task Force**

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## Council services make changes for Tier 4 restrictions

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Wed 23/12/2020 16:30

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News *update from*



Norfolk County Council

## NEWS RELEASE

23 December 2020

### Council services make changes for Tier 4 restrictions

The government's announcement of Norfolk's move into Tier 4 from Boxing Day will see Norfolk County Council services changing to follow the new restrictions.

From Boxing Day (Saturday 26 December), changes will be implemented to Norfolk's Libraries and the museums run by Norfolk Museums Service. All council services will comply with Tier 4 rules that apply from 26 December.

In addition to online **library** services, there will be a limited click and collect service at some premises. Some locations will also continue to offer access to computers so people can access critical public services online. Library users are asked to check the council website for full details of what is available in their area.

Any books currently on loan will be automatically renewed to ensure no new charges are run up as a result of closures.

Under the government regulations, Norfolk **Museums** must close to the public.

There will also be a suspension of **Weddings** in Norfolk with limited exceptions, such as deathbed marriages, as required by the government. The Ceremonies Team will be available to advise couples whose weddings have had to be postponed

In addition to the library offer:

- **Adult Education** will continue to be available online
- **Household Waste Recycling Centres** will remain open
- **Registration of births** will remain open – for legal reasons this must be done in person
- **Registration of deaths** will remain by telephone only
- **The Coroner's Court** will remain open, but operate a strict prioritisation system
- **Day services** will remain to stay open in line with national guidance as support groups, but with robust infection control arrangements in place.

The council will continue to monitor its services and, if regulations and circumstances change, it will review its current plans. The council's website – [www.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk) – features the latest, updated information.

Previous changes to council hours over the holiday period will remain in place: for up-to-date detailed information on all the Christmas opening hours, including for libraries, museums, registration

offices and recycling centres is available on the County Council's website at [www.norfolk.gov.uk/bank-holidays](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/bank-holidays)

The page also includes contact and reporting information for urgent social care and highway matters.

For urgent social care matters that cannot be safely left until the next normal working day contact us on 0344 800 8020 – 24 hours a day throughout the holiday period.

**ENDS**

**For political comment**

For details of cabinet members, committee chairs and agendas, please see:  
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Group leaders' and councillors' contact details are available at:  
[[www.norfolk.gov.uk/county councillers](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/county councillers)]

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## PCC Budget Consultation

Hudson, Andrew <Andrew.Hudson@norfolk.police.uk>

Mon 04/01/2021 13:39

Good afternoon everyone.

I hope you all had a good Christmas and New Year.

The PCC has launched his Budget Consultation for 2020/21 which can be accessed here [www.norfolk-pcc.gov.uk](http://www.norfolk-pcc.gov.uk) this consultation closes on 22nd January. Please do have a read and fill in the survey, it's an informative read and it only took me a couple of minutes to complete the online form.

The Norfolk PCC Lorne Green would like to offer our individual communities the opportunity of a Q&A session, to be held virtually over teams at a time and date which is agreeable to individuals. The purpose of these sessions, which we anticipate will last approximately 1 hour to provide meaningful conversation between the PCC and your community members. Please do contact me at [Andrew.Hudson@norfolk.police.uk](mailto:Andrew.Hudson@norfolk.police.uk) if this is something your community members would be interest in attending.

Many thanks

Andy

**Beat Managers – For your awareness – email sent to all Parish Contacts**

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### BEST WISHES FOR 2021

Well done for making it to the end of 2020 and for all the great work done last year. Looking forward to better times for us all at some point in 2021.

Best wishes from all the team here at Norfolk ALC.

*"There are far better things ahead than any we leave behind"*

by CS Lewis

### COVID UPDATE

Current Norfolk County Council guidance on staying healthy in Norfolk is available on their website [here](#). For the latest update on the (emerging) NHS vaccination programme go to [COVID-19 vaccination programme - Norfolk and Waveney CCG](#)

For some, there is a new clinical study that aims to find treatments for people to get better quickly and stop them going into hospital. The PRINCIPLE study aims to help people with Covid-19 symptoms which started within the last 14 days, if over 65; or over 50 with an underlying health condition. To take part, people need to contact the trial team through <https://www.principletrial.org>, by phoning 0800 1380880, by emailing to [principle@phc.ox.ac.uk](mailto:principle@phc.ox.ac.uk) or by asking their GP to make contact. Whilst vaccines are coming, finding treatments remains important.

Please continue to support Norfolk's response to the COVID-19 pandemic by sharing information provided with family, friends, colleagues and your community groups.

### COUNCIL MEETINGS

You should not really be holding physical meetings at this time - this is the message from both the [National Association of Local Councils](#) and the [SLCC](#), which we endorse.

For any councils not holding any meetings, obviously care is also needed to ensure that councillors do not accidentally fall foul of the 'six-month rule' and automatically vacate office under s85, Local Government Act 1972.

### INVITATION TO BECOME A DIRECTOR OF NORFOLK ALC

As mentioned before, any councillor of a member council is currently entitled to apply to stand for election as a Director – contact us via [countyofficer@norfolkalc.gov.uk](mailto:countyofficer@norfolkalc.gov.uk) for an application pack now, as the closing date is Thursday 7 January 2021. We will then arrange an election as needed for board members, with voting by representatives or nominated chairpersons.

### CUT A TONNE IN 21 CAMPAIGN

Our Climate Action Project is set to encourage us to cut carbon emissions by 10% during 2021. To hear more, to meet partners and to see how you can become involved, come to our

launch on Thursday on Zoom at 7pm. To book a 'ticket' email [wellbeing@norfolkalc.gov.uk](mailto:wellbeing@norfolkalc.gov.uk) with the subject/title of 'Cut a Tonne'

### **POLICE LIAISON MEETINGS**

Our final remaining Q&A session of the current round is on Tuesday 26 January at 6pm. This is for our Breckland councils. Contact [wellbeing@norfolkalc.gov.uk](mailto:wellbeing@norfolkalc.gov.uk) for a ticket.

### **POLICE BUDGET CONSULTATION**

There is an opportunity to provide your views on the work of the force in ensuring the safety of us all in the county. You can consider their budget consultation information published at [www.norfolk-pcc.gov.uk](http://www.norfolk-pcc.gov.uk) and then have your say via their short online survey. The consultation will close on Friday 22 January.

### **BREXIT CHANGES**

**Procurement:** The references to the EU Procurement thresholds in our Model Standing Order 18 still apply for the purposes of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016. However, the end of the transition period has brought in new advertising requirements and the introduction of "Find a Tender". Government guidance, which includes procurement policy notes, FAQs and a flow chart, sums up the main points at [www.gov.uk/guidance/public-sector-procurement-from-1-january-2021](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/public-sector-procurement-from-1-january-2021). Procurements that were commenced prior to the end of the transition period are to be concluded on OJEU/TED, but new procurements must now be advertised on 'Find a Tender'. Current requirements to also advertise on 'ContractsFinder' remain unchanged.

**Data protection:** The EU GDPR no longer applies directly in the UK. However its requirements must now be complied with under a regime known as "the UK GDPR" which follows the Data Protection Act 2018 and other Regulations. So, much the same as before!

### **THE SLOW WAYS INITIATIVE**

The Slow Ways initiative is mapping and promoting walking routes nationally to create a comprehensive network of walking routes that connect our towns and villages. The organisers are looking for volunteers to help walk, review, record and improve routes. As far as possible routes are direct, off-road, safe, accessible, easily navigable and pass through settlements with services and public transport hubs. Slow Ways will offer reasonably direct walking options backed by trusted route information. Find out more at [slowways.uk/supporting-slow-ways/](http://slowways.uk/supporting-slow-ways/)

### **TRAINING**

Have you looked at our updated training sessions recently? You can now book directly, keep a record of courses attended and see your future bookings. If the course you want is not yet there, do let us know! Just click into <https://bookwhen.com/norfolkalc>

**Being An Effective Councillor** courses - due to demand we have added further dates for our councillor training, induction and refresher courses. Go to our [bookings page](#) for details

### **KEEPING IN TOUCH**

Our sessions are on Wednesdays at 2pm for clerks and at 5pm for chairpersons. If you would like an invite, contact [countyofficer@norfolkalc.gov.uk](mailto:countyofficer@norfolkalc.gov.uk).

### **PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS**

You can re-visit our earlier newsletters and wellbeing bulletins at [Latest Norfolk ALC e-Bulletin](#)

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