

**This is our latest virus update. Please share.**

### **TEST, TRACE, ISOLATE, SUPPORT**

The Scottish Government today published a paper titled Test, Trace, Isolate, Support - a Public Health approach to maintaining low levels. The paper sets out the Government's approach and the work that is now underway to prepare for its implementation. This paper can be accessed here: [www.gov.scot/isbn/9781839607271](http://www.gov.scot/isbn/9781839607271)

### **TESTING IN FIFE**

Staff testing for social work/social care staff (Council and external providers) continues to be available at Cameron Hospital, supported by volunteer drivers where appropriate and a limited mobile testing facility. In the first two weeks of testing a total of 172 staff or their household members were referred to be tested, of which 44 people tested positive. Cumulatively, during the first two weeks of testing, 93 staff members have returned (or are returning to work) as a result of the testing.

## **FRONTLINE SUPPORT PACKAGE**

✓ **PPE KIT FOR ALL KEY WORKERS NOW.**

✓ **MENTAL HEALTH HELP FOR FRONTLINE STAFF.**

✓ **FRONTLINE SERVICE REWARD.**

✓ **BEREAVEMENT AND FUNERAL SUPPORT.**

✓ **CORONAVIRUS SERVICE MEDAL.**

We support a package of measures for our health and social care staff. You can read more about the Scottish Liberal Democrat plan: [https://www.scotlibdems.org.uk/support\\_package](https://www.scotlibdems.org.uk/support_package)



## VE75

Friday 8th May 2020 marks 75 years since the guns fell silent and the Second World War in Europe came to an end.

A virtual service of remembrance will be broadcast live at 10:40 am on Friday. <https://www.facebook.com/LegionScotland/>.

There will be a two-minute silence at 11 am.

The service will then be followed at midday with an hour-long VE Day virtual tribute concert.

You are also encouraged to hold your own virtual VE Day party in aid of Poppyscotland to help raise vital funds in support of our Armed Forces community. Poppyscotland has put together a series of resources to help including games and activities, recipe ideas and even a WW2 music and dance playlist.

Please share your stories, pictures and video either via our Facebook page or by email to [veday75@legionscotland.org.uk](mailto:veday75@legionscotland.org.uk)

Please use the following hashtags: #VEDay75; #ArmyScotlandSalutesWW2Heroes; #heroesofWW2; @ArmyScotland .

Photos from Jessica Corps's post in Protecting Anstruther Cellardyke & Kilrenny

East Neuk ARTISAN BAKERS

PLEASE

STAY HOME

WE

Deliver

TO

YOU

Please stay at home, support our local businesses and help stop the spread of Covid-19.

These amazing local businesses are doing lots to help our community. They are making staying at home possible by delivering straight to your door.

Did you know that Gibbles, Barnett's bakery, East Neuk Pharmacy, Ardross Farm Shop, Pets Pantry, Harbour Interiors, J.B. Penman, Pittenweem Hub and Carisma Seafood (0778396303) all deliver!

If you see this poster out on your daily exercise take a photo and share it to #supportlocaleastneuk

Please stay safe, stay at home!

Jessica Corps ▸ Protecting Anstruther Cellardyke & Kilrenny  
18 April · 🌐

72 likes · 6 comments

Like Comment

Emma Gilmour Thank you so much for organising! Well done Jessica x  
Like Reply · 2w

Amanda Coote Well done Jessica 🌈❤️  
Like · Reolv · 2w

Write a comment...

**A great initiative by Jessica Corps to support businesses in the East**

**Neuk.** <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=720505962088513&set=gm.2557598941122437&type=3&theater&ifg=1>

## **BUSINESS SUPPORT**

This link allows you to check whether you will be eligible for self employment support.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/self-employed-invited-to-get-ready-to-make-their-claims-for-coronavirus-covid-19-support>

Applications for new business support mechanisms are now being accepted.

Tourism, hospitality and creative hardship fund: <https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/coronavirus/creative-or-tourism-and-hospitality-enterprises-hardship-fund>

Pivotal resilience fund:

<https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/coronavirus/pivotal-enterprise-resilience-fund>

New self employed hardship fund:

<https://findbusinesssupport.gov.scot/service/coronavirus/newly-self-employed-hardship-fund>

## **PPE – 3D PRINTER REQUESTS**

NHS Fife have recently produced 3D printing specifications for small plastic clips that are both extremely useful and not subject to the same safety requirements as other items. They improve the comfort of the masks worn by healthcare staff.

If you have a 3D printer and wish to help, the style and dimensions of these items are available at <https://coronavirus.nhsfife.org/>

They have sufficient supplies of face visors.

## **SCRUBS MAKING**

If you would like to help sew scrubs for NHS Tayside please volunteer

here: [https://www.facebook.com/NHSTayside/posts/3161427093909081?\\_tn\\_=-H-R](https://www.facebook.com/NHSTayside/posts/3161427093909081?_tn_=-H-R)

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**Willie and Wendy continue to engage in meetings online with organisations, people and businesses. Wendy met with local golf clubs, Willie with the Scottish Chamber of Commerce and both Willie and Wendy met with businesses in St. Andrews and Cupar.**

### **EARLY YEARS PLACES**

5,885 applications for Fife Council early years places were received. Work has now been completed to allocate places for session 2020/21 and over 90% of applications received have been offered a placement. Of those allocated a placement, 85% received their first-choice nursery and session, 9.7% were offered their 2nd choice and 3.1% were offered their 3rd choice.

We have received concerns from some parents about their offers including those who have not received a place for their child to return to the same nursery for the second year and also from parents of children who have been denied a place at the nursery connected to the primary school they expect to attend. We are keen to hear from everyone who has concerns – please reply to this email.

Parents with any questions regarding nursery placements should contact the central Early Years Team using this email address - [EarlyYears.Manager@fife.gov.uk](mailto:EarlyYears.Manager@fife.gov.uk)

### **NHS FIFE HOSPITAL VISITING**

The following visits are deemed essential:

- A birth partner during childbirth
- For a person receiving end-of-life care
- To support someone with a mental health issue such as dementia, a learning disability or autism where not being present would cause the patient to be distressed
- To accompany a child in hospital.

## SHIELDING

Almost 9000 people on Fife's shielding list have now been telephoned to make sure they are getting the support they need. 216 who couldn't be reached are being written to and, if there is no response, a home visit will be made. A further 2000 have been added to the shielding list and contact with them has begun.

## DOMESTIC ABUSE

There is concern that domestic abuse may increase during the lockdown. You can access help here: <https://www.scotland.police.uk/keep-safe/advice-for-victims-of-crime/domestic-abuse/>

## FOODBANKS

The local foodbanks are doing a great job. If you need help or can donate you can find details here:

<https://www.storehousestandrews.com/>

<https://cupar.foodbank.org.uk/>

<http://www.taybridgeheadfoodbank.org.uk>

<https://www.facebook.com/eastneukfoodbank/>

<https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-help/find-a-foodbank/levenmouth/>

## INFORMATION

UK Government news: [www.gov.uk/search/news-and-communications](http://www.gov.uk/search/news-and-communications)

Scottish Government Updates: [www.gov.scot/news](http://www.gov.scot/news)

Fife Council updates: [www.fife.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.fife.gov.uk/coronavirus)

Fife community funding: [www.activefife.co.uk](http://www.activefife.co.uk)

Covid community helpline for food, shopping, prescriptions, finances, personal care: 0800 952 0330

<https://www.fife.gov.uk/kb/docs/articles/health-and-social-care2/coronavirus-covid-19/community-groups>

Vulnerable helpline - 09:00 to 17:00 Monday to Friday. 0800 111 4000.

Lending a helping hand in Fife - [www.fva.org/pandemic](http://www.fva.org/pandemic) [helpinghand@fva.org](mailto:helpinghand@fva.org) or call 0800 389 6046.

NHS Inform [www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19](http://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/coronavirus-covid-19)

NHS Fife website: [coronavirus.nhsfife.org](http://coronavirus.nhsfife.org)

Helpline for those who do not have symptoms but are looking for general health advice Tel: 0800 028 2816.

NHS Fife service changes <https://coronavirus.nhsfife.org/changes-to-services/>

Health Protection Scotland Guidance [www.hps.scot.nhs.uk/a-to-z-of-topics/covid-19](http://www.hps.scot.nhs.uk/a-to-z-of-topics/covid-19)

Federation of Small Businesses: [fsb.org.uk/coronavirus](http://fsb.org.uk/coronavirus)

Helpline for small businesses, Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5.30pm. Tel: 0300 303 0660.

NFU Scotland advice <https://www.nfus.org.uk/coronavirus/coronavirusqa.aspx>

Ready Scotland Information <https://www.readyscotland.org/coronavirus/>

## **COMMUNITY MUTUAL AID**

These are the links to their Facebook groups and websites. If you need help with groceries, medicine collection etc please contact them.

[Community Aid St. Andrews \(CASA\)](#)

[Cupar Mutual Aid](#)

[Balmullo Mutual Aid](#)

[Wormit Parish Church](#)

[Freuchie Community Council](#)

[Boarhills and Dunino](#)

[Leuchars Mutal Aid](#)

[Ladybank](#)

[Tayport](#)

[Newburgh](#)

[Auchtermuchty](#)

[Tayport Mutual Aid Group](#)

[East Neuk Community Emergency Planning Team](#)

Royal Burgh of Kilrenny, Anstruther and Cellardyke Community Council: [Anstruthercommunitycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:Anstruthercommunitycouncil@gmail.com) or 07818 414178

[Springfield](#)

[Crail](#)

[Pitlessie](#)

[Strathmiglo](#)

[Kingsbarns](#)

[Newport](#)

[Ceres and Craigrothie](#)

Blebo Craigs, Kemback and Pitscottie [blebovh@gmail.com](mailto:blebovh@gmail.com)

[Largoward](#)

[Radernie and Peat Inn](#)

[Falkland and Newton](#)

[Guardbridge 2020 Chat](#)

[www.cameroncc.org.uk](http://www.cameroncc.org.uk)

Please do let me know whether you are running a group in your community.

## **SUPPORT AND ADVICE**

This is an anxious and uncertain time but we wanted you to know that Wendy Chamberlain MP, Willie Rennie MSP our local councillors are ready to help in whatever way that we can.

You can email us at:

[Wendy.chamberlain.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:Wendy.chamberlain.mp@parliament.uk)

[Willie.rennie.msp@parliament.scot](mailto:Willie.rennie.msp@parliament.scot)

Or phone on 01334 656361

We hope you found this practical advice and information helpful.

For more regular updates on Willie's work, please like or follow his Facebook page [www.facebook.com/WillieRennieFife](http://www.facebook.com/WillieRennieFife)

On Instagram it is <https://www.instagram.com/willie.rennie/>

Or on twitter [https://twitter.com/willie\\_rennie](https://twitter.com/willie_rennie)

Wendy is at: <https://www.facebook.com/WendyChamberlainMP/>

or <https://twitter.com/wendychambld>

**Wendy Chamberlain**  
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