

GREEN NEWS SOUTH TYNESIDE

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HEBBURN NORTH : HEBBURN SOUTH : HORSLEY HILL : MONKTON : PRIMROSE : SIMONSDALE & REKENDYKE : WEST PARK : WESTOE : WHITBURN & MARSDEN : WHITELEAS

NEWS AND VIEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL GREEN TEAM

This is not the new year that anyone would have wanted for us all, but we have to deal with the situation which life has given to us. It's not easy on anyone, but some people will find it harder than others.



South Tyneside Greens say thank you to all key workers & volunteers

We have briefly had to pause the regular delivery of our 'Green News' newsletters but **as well as fully supporting measures to contain COVID-19, we also want to ensure that democracy continues during these times and that residents stay informed about local issues, political decisions, and pandemic-relevant advice.**

We hope you will find this newsletter helpful, as we include information on some places where you can get support at this time.

*Best wishes and stay safe,
Cllr David Francis and the Green Team*

SOUTH TYNESIDE GREENS - WORKING HARD ALL YEAR ROUND

ARE YOU IN NEED OF HELP DURING THE RESTRICTIONS?

THE LOCAL COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO CORONAVIRUS HAS BEEN AMAZING – AND HELP IS STILL AVAILABLE

- ✓ **Covid-19 Support Hub** 0800 028 2955
- ✓ **South Tyneside Mutual Aid** 07841 350103
helpsouthtyneside@gmail.com
- ✓ **Hardship Fund:** 0191 424 7444
- ✓ **Business Support Hub:** 0191 481 3456
- ✓ **Support for the homeless & those with no recourse to public funds:** 0300 1236633
- ✓ **Money/benefits advice:** 0191 424 6040
- ✓ **Impact Family Services:** 07375788835 <http://www.impactfs.co.uk>
- ✓ **ACTS (Age Concern):** 0191 456 6903 www.ac-ts.org.uk
- ✓ **Family Gateway:** 0191 643 7955 www.familygateway.co.uk
- ✓ **LGBT+ Domestic Abuse Helpline:** 0800 999 5428
help@galop.org.uk
- ✓ **Men's Advice Line:** 0808 801 0327 info@mensadvice.org.uk
- ✓ **Library services :** 0191 4271818
- ✓ **Report fly tipping:** 0191 427 7000
- ✓ **Anti social behaviour:** 0191 420 3713
- ✓ **Missed bin collection:** 0191 427 7000
- ✓ **MENCAP:** 0808 808 1111 www.mencap.org.uk
- ✓ **Charles Young Centre:** 0191 454 3241



SOUTH TYNESIDE COVID-19 MUTUAL AID UK

Local organising to support the most vulnerable in our communities

helpsouthtyneside@gmail.com 07841 350103

WHAT IS MUTUAL AID

Mutual Aid is basically where people help each other out without expectation of financial gain. When external circumstances make vulnerable people even more so, it's important that we don't abandon them. Pandemic or no pandemic, we are stronger when we care for one another. There are Mutual Aid groups all across the United Kingdom and beyond.

South Tyneside Mutual Aid is a group of volunteers who have come together to assist and support each other during the current crisis.

They have a team of DBS checked volunteers who are on hand to support community members, other local voluntary groups and agencies in the area throughout this difficult time.

If you or someone you know is vulnerable and has no other support available to them, you can contact Mutual Aid by calling or texting 07841 350103 or you can email them at helpsouthtyneside@gmail.com

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VACCINE ROLLOUT CONTINUES ACROSS SOUTH TYNESIDE

The vaccination programme for residents of South Tyneside has got off to a very good start. The operation is being coordinated by South Tyneside CCG with support from South Tyneside Borough Council.

The most vulnerable people are being offered the vaccine first and those over the age of 70 are now being contacted. There are three vaccine centres around the borough, at Flagg Court Medical Centre, Cleadon Park Primary Care Centre and Glen Primary Care Centre. **Vaccines are by appointment only.**

For the latest news on the vaccine or if you have any questions, please visit:

👉 <https://www.southtynesideccg.nhs.uk/news-media/news/questions-about-the-covid-vaccine/>

👉 <https://www.southtyneside.gov.uk/article/71758/Vaccine>

We very much understand that you may feel anxious while waiting your turn, but you do not need to contact your GP surgery as you will be contacted when it is your turn to have the vaccine.

WORRIED ABOUT VOTING IN THE 2021 LOCAL ELECTION?

WE UNDERSTAND

**APPLYING FOR A POSTAL VOTE WILL GIVE YOU THE
CONFIDENCE TO BE ABLE TO TAKE PART IN THE LOCAL
ELECTION, NO MATTER WHAT THE SITUATION WITH COVID-19**

VISIT: WWW.GOV.UK/REGISTER-TO-VOTE

CALL: TOWN HALL ON 0191 427 7000

EMAIL: ELECTIONS@SOUTHTYNESIDE.GOV.UK

YOUR VOICE IS IMPORTANT



Polling stations will still be open to use but if you want to avoid voting in person this year, you can easily vote by post!

Applying for a postal vote will give you the confidence of being able to take part in the 2021 elections, no matter what the situation with regards to COVID-19. It will also make sure your application is processed early, and your postal vote can be sent to you more quickly once the candidates for the elections are confirmed.

Don't let COVID-19 take away your voice in this election, apply now!

Haven't registered to vote? Don't worry there's still time!