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COVID-19 WE ARE IN LOCKDOWN

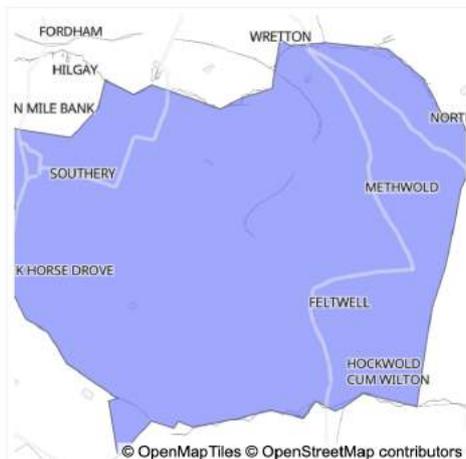
Please find the latest update regarding the situation at the following links:

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Local statistics for our area can be found at :

<https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/details/>

PE38 OPL – Southery, Feltwell & Hockwold



People tested positive by specimen date

Seven days to 31 December 2020

33

Rate per 100k resident population: **401.1**

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Vaccination Centre Update

Norfolk and Waveney
Clinical Commissioning Group

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

Editor comment:

I hope you have all had a good Christmas and welcome to 2021 which unfortunately starts with more restrictions, a new virus variant and continued risk for many people in our village. Please keep safe and continue to use all precautions for reducing the risk of virus transmission.

The village voice can be contacted by Email: contact@village-voice.org or through our website www.village-voice.org

Church News

We made a Christmas display in the church porch with a Nativity scene.

We sang carols on the church lawn on Christmas Eve and then celebrated an early 'Midnight Mass' in church in masks and socially distanced. We had a collection for the Children's Society and a cheque for £220 has been sent to them. Thank you to all who gave so generously.

The church will be open for private prayer each Sunday from 10am to 4pm with sadly no services while we continue to be in the new lockdown due to covid.

Best wishes for the New Year to everyone and we pray that 2021 will be a better year for us all.

Marion Lewis

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Public Notices

Dog Fouling – Playing Field

Please could all dog walkers ensure that dog fouling is collected and disposed of in the provided bins at the edge of the field. The Parish Council has noted that the amount of dog waste is not acceptable and puts at risk the health of children and our contractors who cut the grass

Anti-Social Behaviour

Notice to all parents of teenage children, please could you ensure that you have spoken to your children about the distress that anti-social behaviour can cause to other residents and how their behaviour might impact others. There have been continued damage to the old football hut on the playing field which ultimately is at the village's expense through the Parish Council precept/Council tax. This is not acceptable and we have had to involve the Police.

Please also note that the Play area has been cabled tied shut on order of the Government since the outbreak, and this will remain closed until the Government rules otherwise. This is unfortunate for all, but no one should be entering the play area for their own safety and that of others, let alone breaking the cable ties. We have noted that families and teenagers have taken it upon themselves to break the cable ties, with no regard of others who then might mistakenly think it is open for use. This is also despite notices that advise of its closure on both gates. Please advise your children and others of this closure and the importance of adhering to it.

Additionally it has been noted that there has been terrible instances of dogs roaming the village who shockingly have killed livestock. All dogs should be kept on a lead whilst walking within the village at all times and should not be let to roam unsupervised by its owner. If any resident is concerned about any dogs that may be roaming or seen to be dangerous please call the Borough Council's Dog Warden (01553 616200) or the Police

Southery Village Hall



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Parish Council

The December minutes of the Parish Council Meeting that was held on Monday 7th December will be posted on the Council website when they are available:

<https://southeryparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/category/minutes/>

Remembering Mr Neville Ibberson:

Mr. Nev Ibberson was the formidable Headteacher of Southery Primary School from September 1964 to March 1986. He was the last Headteacher to live in the school house and to take such an active part in village life. He organised fundraising events to build Southery village Hall, he encouraged Brownies, Guides, Scouts and Over Sixty groups. He made sure the schoolchildren used the playing field for athletics, football and shinty and especially Southery Carnival. All the children went on a float, spent weeks, preparing the scenery to go on the trailer. At Christmas time, the screens were pulled back in the main classroom and everyone joined in the party games.

Mr. Ibberson was a blunt Yorkshireman, a strong union man, who could be relied upon to do, what he said he would do. He did not suffer fools gladly, many of his past pupils will remember being called blithering idiots! In later years, he wore a hearing aid, but seemed selective as to when he heard what was said.

Mr. Ibberson gave me my first teaching post and at the interview asked me when I intended starting a family! When Mr. and Mrs. Ibberson retired, they were given a leaving party to remember, they were held in such esteem and affection.

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If you'd like to talk to us about ThinkingFuel or indeed if you need advice and guidance on funding, governance or project planning for your organisation, please call 01362 698216 (you may need to leave a message but we will get back to you) or email office@communityactionnorfolk.org.uk

Thank you for your help in raising awareness of this important community support project.

Thank you

The CAN Team

Contacting us

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