

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

We are monitoring developments relating to the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) daily.

Residents should follow the advice provided by Public Health England to help prevent the spread of the virus.

Latest information

Use the official websites below for the latest information and advice for the general public:

- [NHS Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#) for information on what to do if you have symptoms
- [PHE Number of Coronavirus Cases and Risk in the UK](#) for information on the latest situation in the UK
- [Hertfordshire County Council Coronavirus – what you need to know](#)
- [PHE Public Health Matters Blog](#) Article on 5 things you can do to protect yourself and your community
- [GOV.UK Coronavirus Action Plan](#)
- [www.hertshelp.net](#) Herts Help – Tell them if someone is vulnerable and needs help
- [Alzheimer’s Society](#)- Coronavirus: Information for people affected by dementia
- [www.healthyhubnorthherts.co.uk](#) - Information, advice and support

Organisations or charities that could help if facing financial hardship or concern:

- [adviceuk.org.uk](#) Advice UK
- [bba.org.uk](#) British Banking Association
- [moneyadvicetrust.org](#) Money Advice Trust
- [Government Help for businesses](#) Help for small businesses
- [nationaldebtline.co.uk](#) National Debt Line
- [stepchange.org](#) StepChange debt charity
- [citizensadvice.org.uk](#) Citizens’ Advice Bureau

On social media:

- [Department of Health & Social Care Twitter feed](#)

For help locally:

- [Royston vs Coronavirus Facebook Group](#) and helpline 01763 259203 and email roystonvscoronavirus@gmail.com

- **Royston and District Community Transport** 01763 245228

Following recent government advice Royston Community Transport is getting back to a near normal service - but we’re not quite there yet!

Medical appointments will still take priority but we are now able to offer additional social visits, eg hairdressers and shopping trips. A minimum of 15 minutes (each way) providing we have the drivers available and you are not on the Governments Shielding Patients List. We at RDCT are monitoring the situation on a daily basis, and no doubt by the time you read this the situation may well have changed!

Our wheelchair accessible vehicles are all available and we can now offer some bus outings for social groups, however, we will have to implement the 1m plus guide for seating, which will limit the number we can carry.

All our buses are spray sanitized between use, and car surfaces are cleaned between journeys hand sanitizers are fitted in all vehicles.

Passengers must not travel in any vehicle if they have any Covid-19 symptoms.

To book a trip please ring our office as usual: 01763 245228

Latest updates from the Council

The Royston Annual Town Meeting due to be held on 19th March 2020 was cancelled.

Royston and District Museum and Art Gallery is closed until further notice.

Royston Cave will be closed until April 2021.

The May Fayre due to be held on Friday 8th May 2020 has been cancelled.

The setting up of a Royston Youth Council has been postponed until further notice.

The Council is no longer lending litter picking equipment until further notice.

From 2nd September 2020, the council's halls and rooms are available to hire. Please contact admin@roystontowncouncil.gov.uk for more information.