## Welcome!

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## **Outline of the session**

- Welcome and introduction
- Update on Covid-19 in Torbay
- COVID-19 compliance in the Bay
- Your questions
- Quiz
- Champion tasks





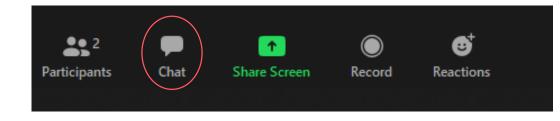
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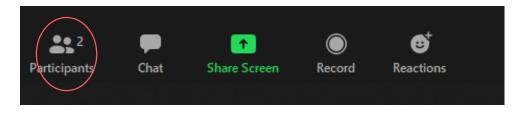
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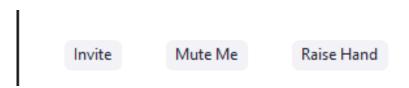
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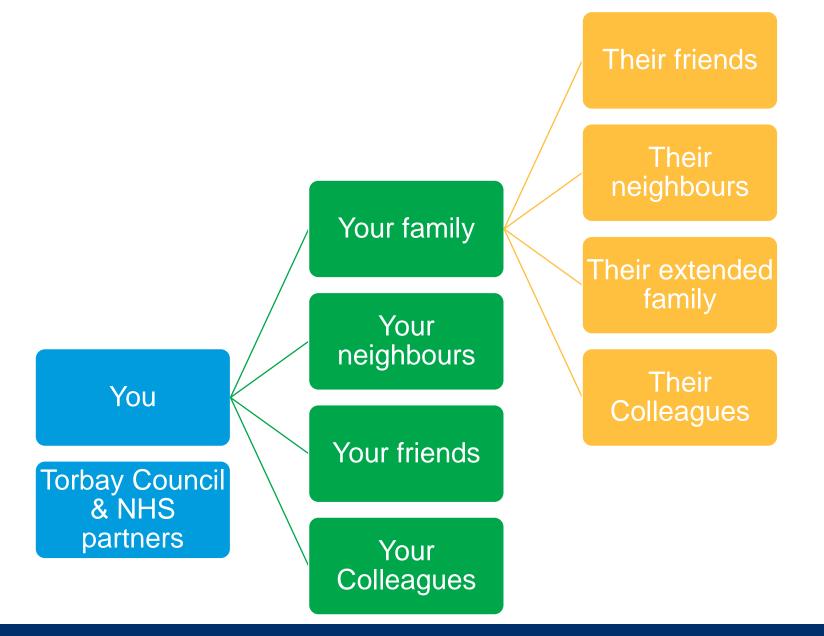
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# What are we asking you to do?

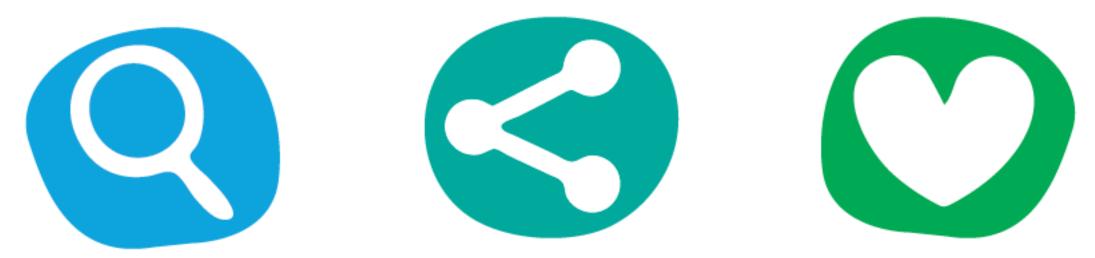








## Share credible COVID-19 information, however you want!



- Learn about COVID-19 and how to stop the spread
- Share credible information with others
- Support others to access credible information, advice and support.



## Coming soon...

- Window stickers for settings (your business, school or early years site etc)
- Certificates of thanks for volunteers
- Something else currently TOP SECRET! (But positive and exciting we hope)





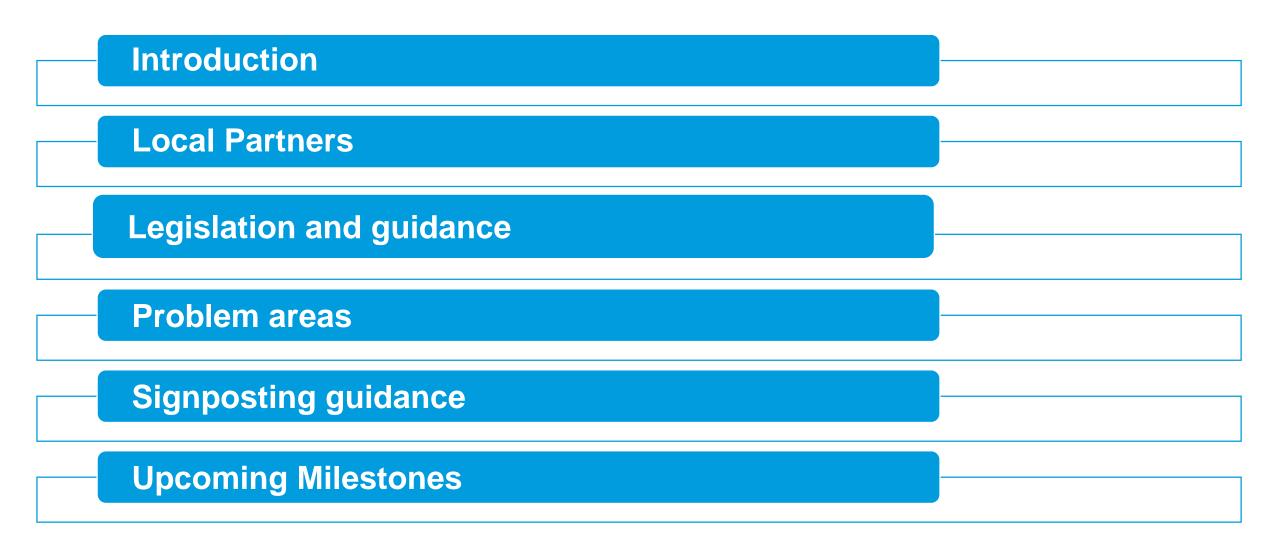
Reopening of Torbay and the role of the COVID Compliance Officers

> Katherine Allday & Sara Desbois-Kelly

Environmental Health Officers – Food & Safety team









### The Torbay Council COVID team

- Environmental Health Officers Food & Safety
- Licensing Officer
- COVID Compliance Officers





- Public Health team
- Police
- Council teams/ Torbay Development Agency
- Tourism bodies
- Better Business for All





- www.legislation.gov.uk/coronavirus
- The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Steps) (England) Regulations 2021
- The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Collection of Contact Details etc and Related Requirements) Regulations 2020
- The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Wearing of Face Coverings in a Relevant Place) (England) Regulations 2020
- GOV.UK guidance <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-</u> <u>during-coronavirus-covid-19</u>
- Office for Product Safety & Standards



- Enforcement action so far:
  - Over 900 complaints/enquiries
  - 25 Fixed penalty notices
  - 7 Prohibition notices
- Problem premises
  - Hairdressers and barbers
  - Pubs
  - Car washes
  - Gyms
  - Phone shops



### • GOV.UK

- Torbay Council <u>https://www.torbay.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/coronavirus/</u> and <a href="https://www.torbay.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/coronavirus/advice-and-support-for-businesses/">https://www.torbay.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/coronavirus/advice-and-support-for-businesses/</a>
- UK Hospitality <a href="https://www.ukhospitality.org.uk/page/coronavirus">https://www.ukhospitality.org.uk/page/coronavirus</a>
- Food & Safety team weekly bulletin
- BBfA toolkits on reopening and COVID risk assessments
  <u>https://www.heartofswgrowthhub.co.uk/covid-19-support-for-business/</u>



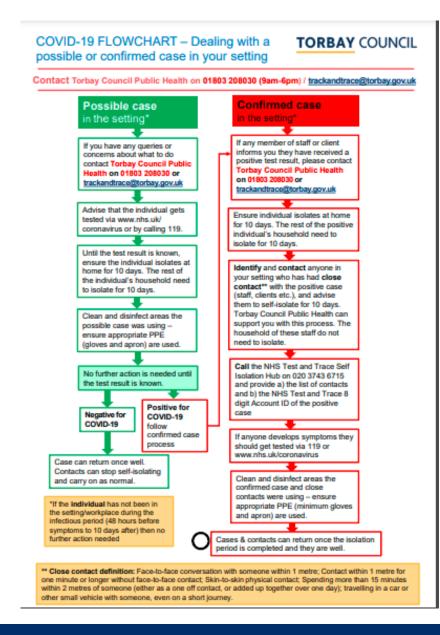
#### What you can do

How to help stop the spread of COVID-19 in Torbay

Current coronavirus restrictions in Torbay	Reducing the Spread	Get the Test and Trace app	Attending school and college safely
Helping others safely	COVID-19 Community Champions	Report a concern or complaint	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
Download COVID-19 resources	Beware of COVID-19 scams	Business reopening advice	

https://www.torbay.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/coronavirus/





https://www.torbay.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/publichealth/coronavirus/advice-and-support-forbusinesses/action-card-and-flowchart/



- Step 2 12<sup>th</sup> April non–essential retail, personal care, outdoor hospitality, outdoor attraction, indoor leisure/ sports facilities, selfcontained accommodation
- Step 3 May 17<sup>th</sup>? hotels & B&Bs, indoor hospitality, indoor entertainment, indoor exercise classes and larger performances can reopen.
- Step 4 June 21<sup>st</sup>? nightclubs.....

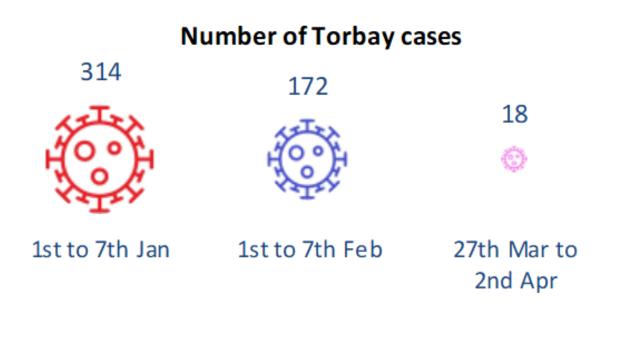


## Torbay and COVID-19: Latest data





## **COVID Cases – Local**



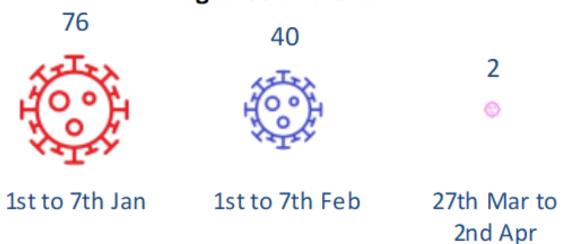
Source: <u>https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/</u>

- Rates are currently 6% of the rates at the start of January.
- The latest data is for the 7 day period ending 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Number of cases is 18 (13.2 per 100,000 people).
- Current rates within Torbay are the lowest since late September.
- With the lockdown starting to ease, it is unlikely that rates will get much lower.



### **COVID Cases – Local**

#### Number of Torbay cases in those aged 60 and over

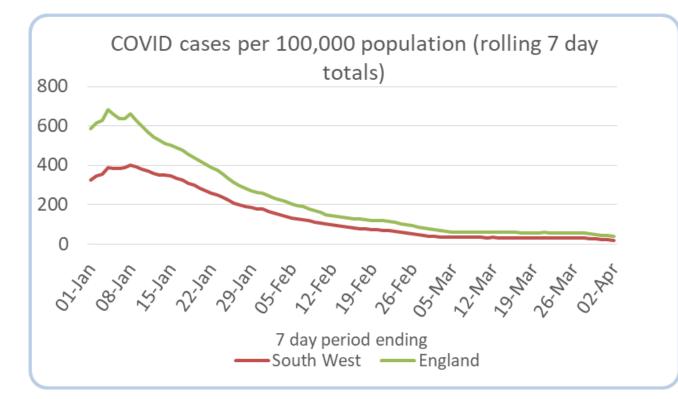


Source: <u>https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/</u>

- Rates are currently 3% of the rates at the start of January.
- Current rates for Torbay residents aged 60 and over are the lowest since late September.



## **COVID** Cases – Regional and National

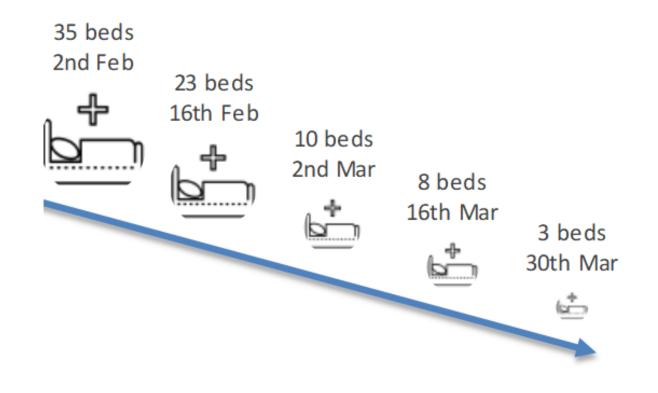


Source: https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/

- Rates in England are currently at 6% of their early January peak.
- Rates in the **South West** are currently at 5% of their early January peak.
- Rates in England and the South West were last at these levels during September 2020.



## **COVID Hospitalisations – Torbay**



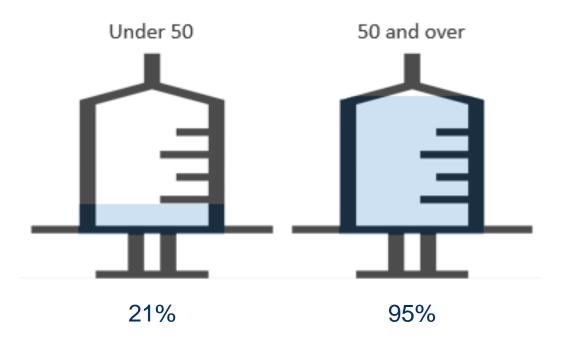
- As of 30<sup>th</sup> March, there were 3 confirmed COVID-19 patients at Torbay & South Devon NHS Foundation Trust. This total includes non Torbay residents.
- Numbers at Torbay & South Devon Trust are at their lowest levels since early October.
- This is the latest publically held data available.

Source: NHS England



## **COVID** Vaccinations

Vaccine update within Torbay as of 28th March



Source: https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/

- This is the latest publically available data, the number Torbay residents vaccinated with at least 1 dose is 95% or more for those aged 50 and over.
- First Dose Vaccinations for England (30<sup>th</sup> March to 5<sup>th</sup> April) – 675,754. 1,454,782 people had their second dose in that 7 day period. This period includes Easter which resulted in a fall in vaccinations.
- In total 26,765,865 people in England have had their first vaccination dose. This represents approximately 60% of the adult population within England.



## **COVID** Deaths

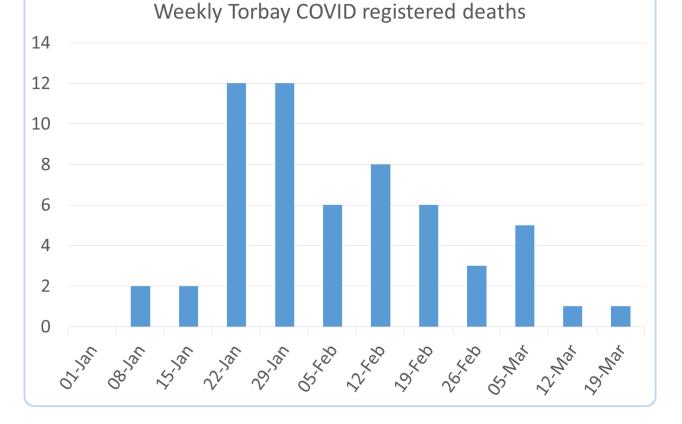
This data relates to those who have COVID-19 on their death certificate by the date registered. The figures are from the Office for National Statistics.

There have been 16 COVID related deaths for Torbay residents in the last 5 weeks. The majority of these deaths relate to Care Home residents.

There have more COVID related deaths in the period since October (107) than the first wave from March until June (58).

Rises in deaths lag significantly behind rises in cases.

**1** Torbay Covid deaths in the last week (13th to 19th Mar)



Source: Office for National Statistics

#### **COVID** Community Champions

TORBAY COUNCIL

Regarding pubs, restaurants and private events when are they able to have private events, for example parties or fund raising events inside. Some of them are suggesting the 17<sup>th</sup> May but I am just wondering if that is just for 6 people as previously?

May the 17<sup>th</sup> or 'step 3' in the roadmap is the date where this may be possible. I think it will be groups of 6, so 6 individuals or 2 households indoors, but you could have multiples of those groups, as long as they don't socially mix within that venue. Potentially you could have a few more but this is not yet clarified in the legislation and we will need to wait and see. There will probably be an amendment to the law closer to the time but it will depend on being able to maintain social distancing, prevent social mixing and a COVID risk assessment. Nothing is guaranteed at the moment.

<u>Reopening businesses and venues - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u> <u>Reopening high streets safely - Torbay Council</u> <u>COVID-19 Response - Spring 2021 (Roadmap) - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>



## Will the licensing guide for pubs be published on the Torbay council website?

Yes it will be and it will be put in the Torbay Council Food Standards bulletin. It will be emailed to about 60 premises we believe will be reopening as outdoor hospitality. We will be emailing them direct with the guide as soon as it is ready to go. We work in partnership with a Police Licensing Officer. If you would like to be added to the Food Safety bulletin then you can email <u>food.safety@torbay.gov.uk</u> explaining that you want to sign up to the bulletin in your email so they can channel you in the right direction, we will also add a link to the next Champion bulletin.



Will the foot patrols focus on business compliance or will they have a more general role in encouraging public compliance, eg distancing when out and about?

A bit of both really. It is something we are considering although currently the Police are responsible for enforcing COVID regulations with the public and we are responsible for business compliance.

However, as we get busier there may be a slight change in focus, as we work with the Police and do a few more foot patrols in areas where we may have problems. It is also very weather dependent.



#### Some Companies are relying on fogging machines - how successful are these?

These would be considered a final step after all the other cleaning control measures have been implemented. If effective cleaning by hand has taken place then there is no particular need to fog. Fogging will only sanitise the surfaces that it lands on so you would need to consider this when using one. For example you would need to open all drawers and doors to ensure an adequate coverage. Some hotels would use this as a second stage clean after having a room that has been identified as contaminated e.g. by COVID. However, it is the first cleaning stage by hand that is always the most important with appropriate room quarantine time.

Effective chemicals for hand cleaning are:

- diluted bleach/a weak beach solution, but we would not recommend this on food contact surfaces.
- cleaning products that conform to BS EN 1276 and/or BS EN 13697
- a disinfectant that is BS EN 14476 compliant (viruses) and is therefore effective against a range of viruses including COVID-19.

These can be bought in local supermarkets.

That said, with the right chemicals, a fogging machine could be useful to disinfect hard to reach areas and soft furnishings.

You may have also heard of electrostatic sprays. Again, we do not endorse these as providing sufficient protection against COVID, unless used with a regular independent hand cleaning schedule.



## Is there a shortage of vaccine? How will this impact on numbers?

Nationally there are some vaccine supply issues through April due to international supplies. However locally we are still very well up on our targets and we are still getting vaccines through. We now have 3 vaccines available so we have AstraZeneca, Pfizer and we are starting to get Moderna, which is the third one that has been approved. Local systems are focusing on doing second doses at the moment. We are hopeful that we won't lose any momentum on the vaccination programme.



Do we know what will happen to the under 30s who have had the Oxford vaccine as their first vaccine?

If they had AstraZeneca as a first dose with no issues they are offered AstraZeneca as second dose.

COVID-19 vaccination and blood clotting - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)



## QUIZ!





Most staff working in hospitality and tourism have NOT had a COVID-19 vaccination

Answer: TRUE only around 20% of the Torbay under 50 population have received a vaccination. Many younger adults work in tourism and leisure. We must remember to be kind and help to keep everyone safe and well.

Poll result: TRUE 90% FALSE 10%



- From the 12<sup>th</sup> April if you go to a pub to have a drink outdoors only one person in the group has to enter the track and trace details for everyone in the group
- Answer: FALSE the guidance has now changed that if you go as a group each person individually has to put their track and trace information and I would advise to make sure that they have got the most current app on their phone, if they are able. Be patient with the businesses is the message as it may take longer especially as everything is new from the 12<sup>th</sup> April and if you haven't got an app on your phone there will be a manual process to take your details top tip if you don't have the app for whatever reason take your own pen.
- Venues required by law to record contact details GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Poll result: TRUE 10% FALSE 90%



A positive Lateral Flow Device (LFD) test does not have to be confirmed by a PCR (lab) test

Answer: FALSE the guidance has just changed recently on this so you do need to have a PCR within 48 hours of having a positive Lateral Flow Device test. You can order a PCR through the post or go to a site to have the PCR test done.

<u>Government reintroduces confirmatory PCR testing for assisted testing -</u> <u>GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>

Coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance and support - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Poll result: TRUE 20% FALSE 80%



Two households (who are not in a bubble) can now meet up together outdoors

Answer: **TRUE** the guidance has just changed so you can now meet up outside with either 2 households or 6 people, including in private gardens. Remember, you must still maintain a 2m distance and keep washing hands to avoid passing COVID-19 on. 1 in 3 people do not display any symptoms, please remain cautious.

- <u>(COVID-19) Coronavirus restrictions: what you can and cannot do GOV.UK</u> (www.gov.uk)
- <u>Current coronavirus restrictions in Torbay Torbay Council</u>

Poll result TRUE 100% FALSE 0%



## Key messages

- 1. Businesses and compliance officers are working together to help Torbay reopen safely and stay safe
- 2. Many staff working directly in or supporting hospitality and tourism have not had a vaccine. And even after we have been vaccinated it's still important we all follow infection control measures. Please wear a mask and follow the instructions in settings to keep guests, residents and staff safe
- 3. Please be extra kind, patient and respectful, no one has had it easy in the last year and it is more important than ever that we remain the together as the whole Torbay community. It will take a while to be back to 'normal'

#ResponsibleRiviera and #RespectProtectEnjoy



## Your Mission....





## Champions



## We need your help with three things please

- 1. Share a fact with a friend
- 2. Share a post with your people (if you're on any social media)
- 3. Recruit a champion could be a school, business, individual...

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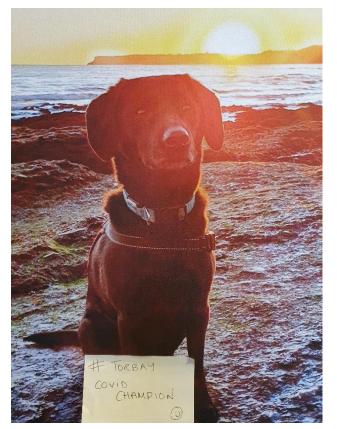
#### **#COVIDCHAMPIONS**



**#TORBAY** 

## And if you are feeling brave...

- 1:1 chat with a team member to help us understand how to improve your champs experience and make it better for your community
- Be a business case study are you a COVID compliant hospitality or tourism business? We are looking for special guests on 7<sup>th</sup> May, could this be you?
- Take a photo of yourself or make a short film for us using your phone, tell us what you've done with your knowledge, how you influence your community and what champs has done for you!



#### Champions@torbay.gov.uk



## Thank you, you Champion!





# Resources and next steps

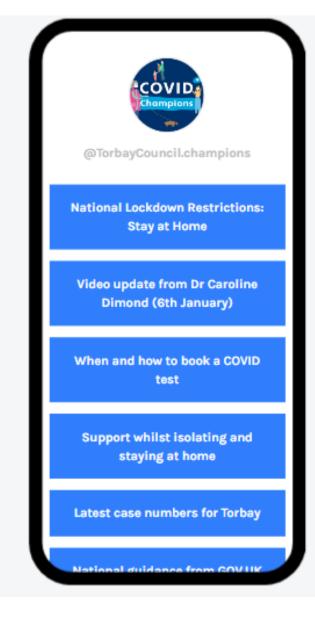




## **COVID Champions Linktree**



Visit and/or share the link - https://linktr.ee/TorbayCouncil.champions





## **Credible sources of information to visit and share**

- www.torbay.gov.uk/coronavirus
- www.gov.uk/coronavirus
- www.nhs.uk/coronavirus
- www.who.int/coronavirus
- Like our Facebook page: <u>www.facebook.com/torbaycouncil</u>
- Follow us on twitter: @Torbay\_Council
- Email us Champions@torbay.gov.uk



## What do you get as a Champion?

- A fortnightly bulletin, which will update you with the latest developments and guidance
- A fortnightly online forum meet-up, to enable you to participate in discussions, share ideas and have opportunity to feedback what you have found to work or not work so well
- Access to resources
- Support from us via Champions@torbay.gov.uk





