## COMMUNITY UPDATE COVID-19 ©@€





You may well be enjoying the first few days of newly found freedom by socialising with friends and family now we have reached the latest stage of the roadmap out of lockdown.

It is great news after the long period of isolation we've all experienced. The further easing of restrictions is the most significant change in the regulations since we started on our journey out of lockdown and includes the reintroduction of the 'Rule of Six' indoors with pubs, cafes and restaurants being allowed to serve customers inside.

We understand that many people will want to take advantage of the ability to socialise, especially after having been unable to do so for so long. Whilst we of course want people to have a good time and enjoy themselves, we must remember that Coronavirus is still a serious risk to health. We're still in a national pandemic and that the virus is still in circulation. It really is vital people continue to keep the threat of COVID-19 at the forefront of their minds.

If you are going out to enjoy the pubs, bars and restaurants over the next few days, please follow the rules safely and appropriately. We urge people to drink responsibly, follow the guidance set out and maintain a safe environment for everyone. You should also following the instructions of staff at any premises. The vast majority of drinkers are responsible but we know some people will drink to excess. The key advice is to know your limits, plan ahead and think how you will get home safely.

Our officers will be out this weekend in popular locations, both during the day and into the evenings, and will continue to carry out patrols, engaging with the public to explain those restrictions which remain in place. Anti-social and criminal behaviour is not acceptable and we will continue to work with the night time economy and partners to maximise safety and cut crime.

Take care, stay aware and keep safe.

You can find all the guidance and detail of the current government regulations as to what is permissible here: www.gov.uk/coronavirus

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