

## **A message from Councillor Muhammed Butt, Leader of Brent Council, urging residents to help prevent a second lockdown in Brent:**

Today I have to share an urgent warning for everyone in Brent. For the first time in several weeks confirmed cases of Covid-19 in Brent are rising again, with 41 people testing positive for the virus over the past fortnight.

We are all rightly worried about a second wave of the virus and the recent increase in cases, which have also been seen elsewhere across the country. With this in mind I am asking for your help to prevent a second wave of the deadly virus in Brent.

Together, we all need to pay maximum attention to our surroundings at all times. We desperately want to avoid a situation where we cannot visit each other's homes again.

I know you are likely to have heard this advice before but it is now vital that we all continue to act on it:

- **Wash your hands**, or use hand sanitiser, regularly and for at least 20 seconds
- **Wear a face covering** in shops and supermarkets, on public transport and when in other indoor spaces where keeping apart from others isn't possible. Please always take a face covering with you when you leave your home in case you need to use it.
- [Get a free test now](#) if you have any Covid-19 symptoms
- **Stay at home** if you test positive for the virus, or have been in contact with someone who has tested positive.

Please pass this message onto your family, friends and neighbours. [More information is here if you need it.](#)

I know we all want to get back to doing the things we love. However, we cannot do that if cases continue to rise. Let's not throw away the hard work and sacrifices made by so many of our friends, neighbours and loved ones during lockdown.

Together, by following the NHS advice, we can stamp out coronavirus in Brent and prevent a second lockdown.

We'd really appreciate your help sharing the above message [which is also available on our website as a link](#), as well as the attached social media assets, with people in your local communities and networks. If you would like these assets in any other formats, please just let us know.

### **Let's get back campaign**

NHS Test and Trace has launched a new campaign, Let's Get Back, to encourage anyone with coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms to get a free test. Below is a link to a few shareable social media assets and a short video (in both 30 second and 60 second format), saying let's get back to the things we love, which we'd also encourage you to share through your channels if you can. You might even be able to spot Wembley Stadium in a few of the assets!