

## **Strategic Coordination Group (SCG) – Daily Briefing**

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### **Daily Mortality Figures (London)**

*Data Provided from NHS Statistics. Please note that this data records the date the death occurred rather than the date the death was announced. Interpretation of the figures should consider the fact that totals by date of death, particularly for most recent days, are likely to be updated in line with future NHS releases. Please note, as of 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020, the SCG daily briefing now takes account of mortalities that do not have a positive test result, but where COVID-19 is documented as a direct or underlying cause of death, dated back to the 24<sup>th</sup> April – for more information on this methodology, please visit <https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/covid-19-daily-deaths/>*

<b>Recorded Hospital Deaths (Daily)</b> <b>(62)</b>	<b>Recorded Hospital Deaths (Cumulative)</b> <b>(5,194)</b>
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### **Key Government Messages**

This Evening's Downing Street Press Conference will be led by Chancellor Michael Gove.

### **Partner Agencies Top-Line Messages**

#### **Metropolitan Police Service**

##### **London Together – Stay Home, Protect the NHS & Save Lives (1stMay 2020)**

The Met Police has launched a new social media campaign to thank all Londoners who have followed the government guidelines by staying at home. They are urging the public to keep going and following these rules to beat COVID-19.

Partners are encouraged to share the [video](#).

#### **Mayor of London**

##### **Use of face coverings (May 1st, 2020)**

Mayor Sadiq Khan: "Many Londoners are already making essential journeys on public transport wearing face coverings to protect themselves and other passengers and we have seen from around the world that non-medical facial coverings can play a role in helping slow the spread of COVID-19.

"These can be home made, from a t-shirt, scarf or bandana. They should not be medical face masks which must be preserved for use by the NHS and care workers."

## **Easing of Lockdown Restrictions (May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020)**

Mayor Sadiq Khan: “Even when lockdown is lifted, Londoners should realise that life simply won’t be returning to what it was before, and it is vital that the Government now has an open and honest conversation with the public about how we’ll all have to play our part ensuring we maintain appropriate social distancing in all aspects of our daily lives. It’s about keeping people’s trust, but also ensuring we are fully prepared, learning all the lessons from other countries.

“Whether it’s schools, construction sites or other industries having to stagger their opening hours, continued home working for as many people as possible, restrictions on the use of the public transport, or additional measures to get more people walking and cycling, no options should be off the table.

“Even though the Government has said that we have now passed the peak of the virus, I want to reiterate to Londoners that all of the UK’s social distancing measures still remain in place. That’s the right decision—to be guided by the science and continue suppressing the spread of this virus and save lives.”

## **Transport for London**

### **Easing of lockdown restrictions (May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020)**

A TfL spokesperson said: “Our intention is to build up service levels on the transport network to as close as possible to what they were before the pandemic, to ensure the restrictions can be lifted in a carefully managed way. We are working with Government to understand how the restrictions may be lifted, including what the expectations will be on social distancing. This will dictate how many people can be safely carried on our services and the extent to which mitigating measures, like re-timing journeys to spread demand out of peak times and managing stations differently, will be needed.

“When workplaces re-open there will be significant challenges in enabling Londoners to get to and from work while social distancing rules are still in place, as is widely expected to be necessary.

“We expect that there will be an enormous travel demand challenge that we will all need to overcome together, and planning is underway on how to meet that challenge so that - when the time is right - we can help London get safely moving again as quickly as possible.”

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