Strategic Coordination Group SCG Daily Bulletin – 4 June 2020

Daily Mortality Figures – (London)

As of 1st 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 24th April.

Patients who have died in London hospitals and had tested positive for Covid-19 at time of death.

Recorded Hospital Deaths – Daily 8 Recorded Hospital Deaths – Cumulative 6007

Patients who have died in London hospitals where there has been no COVID-19 positive test result, but where COVID-19 is documented as a direct or underlying cause of death on the death certification process.

Recorded Hospital Deaths – Daily 2 Recorded Hospital Deaths – Cumulative 174

Government Messaging

Downing Street Press Briefing

Mandatory Face Coverings on Public Transport (4th June 2020)

The Secretary of State for Transport, Grant Shapps, has announced this evening that face-coverings will be mandatory from the 15th June on public transport services in England. More information on this announcement will be available via the Department for Transport's website later this evening.

Partner Agencies Messaging

Mayor of London & London Councils

Statement on the London Recovery Board (4th June 2020)

The Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, and the Chair of London Councils, Cllr Peter John, attended the first meeting of the London Recovery Board today.

The London Recovery Board, will co-ordinate the planning for London's future post-COVID. It is supported by a Recovery Taskforce, which will coordinate actions to meet these challenges, working in partnership with local authorities, health and care bodies, business groups, trade unions, the voluntary sector, academia, national Government and other bodies.

The Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, said: "Today, alongside Cllr Peter John, I co-chaired the first meeting of the London Recovery Board, as we take steps towards securing the best possible future for London post-COVID.

The Board met virtually and heard from London leaders about their experiences of COVID-19. We also discussed the economic and social recovery for the capital, leading to a greener, more equal and better future. The COVID-19 pandemic is the most significant public health crisis in living memory. As Mayor, I am committed to securing a better future for Londoners and ensuring that nobody is left behind. This Recovery Board will meet regularly for many months to come as we navigate the economic, health and social challenges arising from both the virus itself and from the lockdown."

Cllr Peter John OBE, Chair of London Councils, said: "Local councils are committed to delivering renewal and growth in all of London's communities post-COVID. Working collaboratively with the Mayor, voluntary sector, business and other London Recovery Board members, boroughs will champion the interests of Londoners, help overcome challenges and identify opportunities for positive change. Together, we can build a better future for our city."

Transport for London

Changes to Freedom Pass & Concessions (4th June 2020)

Transport for London (TfL) has today set out details of the temporary changes affecting users of the Older Person's Freedom Pass, 60+ Oyster photocard and English National Concessionary Scheme in London as part of the response to the pandemic.

The temporary changes, to take effect from Monday 15 June, are being introduced as part of the recent funding and finance agreement with Government.

Statement on Night Tube (4th June 2020)

A TfL spokesperson said: "We have worked hard to restore as much of a normal Tube service as possible to help customers maintain social distancing and are now running over 85 per cent of normal services. Part of this work has involved moving drivers from shifts on the Night Tube to the daytime service to increase the frequency of trains we are able to run.

With the current lockdown regulations in place normal demand for the Night Tube doesn't exist. This is expected to build back up over time, but before reintroducing the Night Tube we will need to be confident that we can continue to provide extensive services for the higher demand times of day. Consequently, we don't plan to restart the service in the immediate future, but we keep everything under review"

Government Guidance

Test & Trace Assets (4th June 2020)

The government have added new campaign assets to promote the test & trace programme, they are available on the Public Health England portal.

Updated Bereavement Guidance (3rd June 2020)

The government have updated their information leaflets to help families, friends and the next of kin in the bereavement process. This has also been updated in two languages (Romanian & Welsh) with plans to expand the language coverage in the near future.

Government Announcements

HM Treasury

Trade Credit Insurance (4th June 2020)

Government to provide guarantees of up to £10 billion to Trade Credit Insurance schemes for business-to-business transactions. This scheme is to be maintained across the market in light of COVID-19.

Department for Health & Social Care

Self-Isolation Guidance (3rd June 2020)

The government has produced guidance on how to self-isolate if you arrive in the UK on or after 8th June 2020. You will not be allowed to leave the place you're staying for the first 14 days you're in the UK.

Department for Education

Higher Education Guidance (3rd June 2020)

The government has issued new guidance detailing the re-opening of buildings and campuses at UK Higher Education facilities.

Appendix – Full Government Guidance Documents

The government has produced a series of new guidance documents regarding the easing of the lockdown:

The UK Government's COVID-19 Recovery Strategy & FAQ's

The Government's roadmap for how and when the UK will adjust its response to the COVID-19 crisis.

Frequently asked questions on what you can and can't do during the coronavirus outbreak.

Specific Guidance Documents

The Government has updated its guidance/advice across a range of specific sectors, see below for updated guidance on:

Guidance on the provision of antibody tests (22nd May 2020)

Updated Guidance on Testing Eligibility (19th May 2020)

Updated Symptoms Guidance (18th May 2020)

Free School Meals (15th May 2020)

New Guidance for Sports & Leisure (13th May 2020)

Use of Open & Green Spaces (13th May 2020)

Moving Home during COVID-19 (13th May 2020)

Transport Systems (12th May 2020)

Extension of the Furlough Scheme (12th May 2020)

Workplace Safety (11th May 2020)

Use of Face Coverings (11th May 2020)

Staying Safe Outside Your Home (11th May 2020)