



Test and Trace



BLACKBURN
with
DARWEN
BOROUGH COUNCIL

COVID-19: VARIANT OF CONCERN IN YOUR AREA

GET TESTED NOW WHETHER YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS OR NOT

Around 1 in 3 people with Covid-19 don't show symptoms and can spread the virus without knowing it.

Play your part in helping to keep your community safe – get a test.

WHAT IS SURGE TESTING?

This is increased testing in an area with higher rates of the virus, including testing people who don't have symptoms.

Surge testing can help to monitor how the virus is spreading.

It makes it easier for people living in an area with higher rates of the virus to get tested, without having to travel to a testing site.

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

- Collect PCR test kits from any of the five locations on the other side of this postcard – pick up enough kits for everyone in your household
- Take the tests at home as soon as possible
- Return your completed tests to the same place you collected them

And that's it! We'll make sure they are sent on to the labs for processing.

You should receive your test result by email or text within 48 hours.

COLLECT AND RETURN TEST KITS AT:

- REVIDGE FOLD UNITED REFORMED CHURCH
SHEAR BROW BBI 8DS
- CORPORATION PARK MAIN ENTRANCE
PRESTON NEW ROAD BB2 6AH
- BANGOR STREET COMMUNITY CENTRE
NORWICH STREET BBI 6NZ
- THE LODGE CORPORATION PARK
WEST PARK ROAD BB2 6DG
- CAR PARK ON CHARLOTTE STREET/
RANDAL STREET BBI 7EG

MON TO FRI 8AM–6.30PM AND SAT & SUN 10AM–4PM

Thank you very much for helping us by getting tested.

More testing will help us to understand more about this new variant of Coronavirus. It will also help us avoid extra measures for Blackburn with Darwen such as local lockdowns, which we know nobody wants.

What to do if you get a positive test

If you, or anyone in your household, gets a positive test result, you must self-isolate at home for 10 days.

Support is available for anyone who has to self-isolate, including financial support if you cannot work from home.

Find out more at www.blackburn.gov.uk/coronavirus/support-residents

New local vaccination sites are opening

Visit bit.ly/pennine-vac for all the details and to book your appointment. You should be:

- ✓ Aged 38 and over
- ✓ Aged 18 and over with underlying health conditions
- ✓ Aged 18 and over AND living, caring or working with anyone with underlying health conditions
- ✓ Health and Social Care staff
- ✓ Any carers – paid or unpaid. (You will not be asked for proof as unpaid carers are eligible.)