

Dear Resident

 Have you heard about a case of the South African variant of the coronavirus within the Bordesley & Highgate, Alum Rock and Glebe Farm & Tile Cross wards? Would you like to find out more?

Then come along to the <u>Public Health</u> <u>Ward Community Engagement Event</u> on 28-4-21 at 6pm

to find out how Birmingham City Council is working with the DHSC, Public Health England and NHS Test and Trace to launch enhanced testing to help keep everyone in these areas and the wider community safe.

This enhanced testing will help to support measures to curb any potential spread of this variant through door to door testing kit drop off and collection. Everybody aged 16 years and over who is contacted would be "strongly encouraged to take a Covid-19 PCR test", whether or not they are symptomatic.

Residents are advised to continue using twice-weekly rapid testing alongside the PCR test as part of surge-testing. There are no additional restrictions required in the area and this is a 'test to find' initiative to try and rule out any community spread of the South African variant in the area.

Please click on the Link below to access the meeting:-

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

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Thank you for all you are doing to keep Birmingham (Brum) Healthy and Safe

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