

YORK OUTBREAK CONTROL Communications update

9 June 2021



Key messages



Safe Behaviours



Wash hands frequently, for at least 20 seconds.

Hands



Air

Meet with others outdoors where possible.



Download the NHS Test & Trace app.



Wear a face covering in enclosed environments.

Face



Minimise the number of different people you meet and the duration of meetings, if possible.



Get a test immediately if you have any symptoms.



Maintain space with anyone outside your household or bubble.

Space



Air

Let fresh air in.



Self isolate if you have symptoms, have tested positive, or had contact with someone with COVID-19.









Phase I

Prevent - Provide updates about the current situation to prevent outbreaks

Phase 2

 Respond – Share information in responses to an alert following increased cases and/or change in restrictions

Phase 3

Manage the outbreak

Phase 4

Safely recover



A phased approach



21 June 2021: step 4?

		<u> </u>	COUNCIL			
Pha	ases	Approach (including aims)	Timing			
I	Regular updates of current situation to try and prevent outbreaks	Amplify in phase 2 Share accurate and timely updates: Share key public health messages and updates about the current situation in York, quickly addressing inaccuracies and providing the most up to date information and tools to support behaviour change. Build advocacy: Work closely with partners to ensure consistent messaging across the city. Share public health actions taken by city partners and public health and show how behaviour changes are supported by partners.	15 June 2020: Reopening			
2	Alert following spike in cases and/or change in restrictions	Build confidence in the steps taken and what people need to do: Share what the city is doing to protect residents and what they need to do to keep others safe and places open. Use case and vaccination data to update residents and businesses on the current position. Demonstrate partnership approach being taken. Build engagement through conversation: Share messages and updates with residents. Engage audiences to find out how they are feeling and what they need to help the city recover and adapt their behaviours. Work closely with our partners to share insight and ideas.	2 December 2020:Tier 2 30 December 2020:Tier 3			
3	Manage outbreak	Deliver a regular drumbeat of accurate information: Initiate incident communications toolkit, assign roles and establish the rhythm of the incident, with regular and targeted communications and ongoing social media and website updates. Signpost support: Update CYC website and signpost support through all channels, responding to social media and providing information for partners to distribute through their channels Promote unity and community cooperation: Put people first, share stories of the personal impact of covid (MyCovidStory) and of people coming together and showing the very best of themselves and their experience of covid (York Kind) Target information: Provide residents with targeted information about changes, signpost relevant support services, coordinate information through targeted networks for partners to distribute to their channels	23 March 2020: Lockdown 2 November 2020: Lockdown 5 January 2021: Lockdown 8 March 2021: step la 29 March 2021: step lb			
4	Safely recover	Approach as per phase I and 2	12 April 2021: step 2 17 May 2021: step 3			

Communications roadmap



	2020											2021					
Regular rhythm	М	A	M	J	J	A	S	0	N	D	J	F	М	Α	М	J	
Restriction communications		lockdown			Tier I			T2	Lockd own	Т3	Lock	down	SI	S2	S3	S4	
Regular updates / e-newsletters		daily			I-2 a week												
Direct publications, Our City		monthly			quarterly					monthly			quarterly				
Facebook live – ask the leaders						monthly		у	weekly		fortnig		ghtly		monthly		
Let's be York (Safe reopen) inc. York Kind: Reopen with care					Busi	ness p	ack, signa	age, soci	al, web, I	PR	Signage, social, web, PR (PHE BSIU insight trials)						
Let's be York (keep open)							Outside, social		cial								
Let's be York (Xmas/keep going)																	
We've got it covered							Soc	ial, PR, v	web								
18-34 yo residents									Social								
Safe return to school							direct,	social, v	veb				8				
Emotional health #FeelRealYork									PR, fac	ebook,	social, ou	utside, par	tner pa	cks			
Testing strategy inc. normalising											Direct,	web, soc	ial, signa	ge			
Complacency: My Covid Story											Web, s	ocial, dire	ect, PR				
Vaccinations, inc. mythbusting											Direct,	social, let	ter to b	usinesse	s		
A year on											31		23				

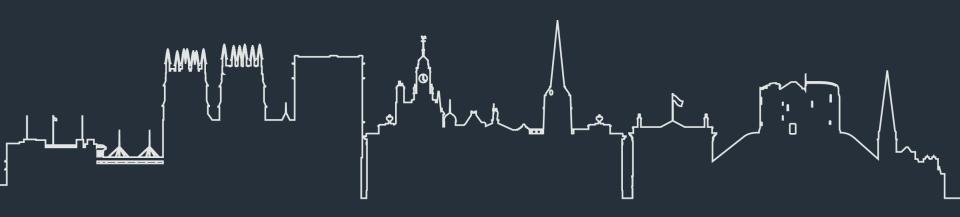


ROADMAP STEPS as published 22/02/2021

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	8 M	arch	29 March			No earlier than 12 April			No earlier than 17 May			No earlier than 21 June		
			As schools break for Easter Holidays			5 weeks after step l			5 weeks after step 2			5 weeks after step 3		
Education	Schools and colleges open for all students Practical Higher Education Courses													
			Organised outdoor sport (children and			All Retail	Personal care							
	Wraparound care, including sport, for all children.		adults) Outdoor sport and leisure facilities			Libraries & Community Centres	Most outdoor attractions		Indoor hospitality	Indoor entertainment		Remaining businesses,		
Business / activities			All outdoor children's activities			Indoor leisure inc. gyms (individual use only)	Self-contained accommodation		Organised indoor	and attractions	including Nightclubs.			
activities			Outdoor parent & child group (up to 15 aged 5+)			All children's activities	Outdoor hospitality		sport (adult) Remaining	Remaining outdoor				
			/			Indoor parent & child groups (up to 15 aged 5+)			accommodation	accommodation				
Social contact	OUTSIDE	Exercise and recreation with +1	Rule of 6 or 2 Households			Rule of 6 or 2 Households			Maximum 30 people			No legal limit		
contact	INSIDE	Household only	Household only			Household only			Rule of 6 or 2 Households (subject to review)			No legal limit		
	DOMESTIC	Stay at Home	Minimise travel			Domestic over (household				Domestic o	overnight stays			
Travel	INT'L	No international holidays	No international holidays			No international holidays				Subjec	t to review			
	LIFE EVENTS		Funerals: 30 Weddings and wakes: 6			Funeral Weddings, wakes,			Most significant life events: 30			No legal limit (subject to review)		
Larger events	OTHER EVENTS					Event pilots	Small organised outdoor events			ts 1000 or 50% hts 4000 or 50%	Larger events (subject to review)		ject to	
									Large seated outdoor	venues 10,000 or 25%				



Phase I Regular update of current situation to try and prevent outbreaks





Share accurate and timely messaging

16 covid related x press releases - 1/5 - 28/5The council issued 37 press releases altogether.

Date Title 27 May 2021 York to welcome the new Lord Mayor during first ever covid-secure Annual Council 25 May 2021 Lower-income households awarded extra £75 Council Tax discount 21 May 2021 Further action taken to protect barbershop's customers 20 May 2021 Partners support city's first weekend in Step 3 18 May 2021 Call for more residents to get tested as part of efforts to stop the virus from spreading 17 May 2021 Let's take this next step safely and support our local businesses 13 May 2021 Action against business breaking covid rules 13 May 2021 Comment on Covid variants in York 13 May 2021 New Covid testing centre opening in York City Centre 12 May 2021 National guidance on council meetings updated 12 May 2021 Council plans for "Back to the Bus recovery" 10 May 2021 Council welcomes news country will move to step 3 of Roadmap on 17 May 10 May 2021 Shop local and travel for less: New travel incentives announced 06 May 2021 York children to receive free school meals support during May half term 05 May 2021 Council seeks innovative proposals to support local businesses and communities



Addressed misleading coverage about the Indian variant



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Working together to improve and make a difference

Build confidence in the steps taken and what people need to do

The council works closely with partners and uses different channels to reach as many people as possible.

Our regular communications (increasing registrations throughout the month by %):

- I x weekly email updates to members and partners (130 recipients)
- I x weekly resident e-newsletter (2,319 recipients +1%)
- Weekly business e-newsletter (1,574 recipients +1%)
- Weekly families e-newsletter (1,113 recipients +1%)
- Regular press releases and media interviews
- Social media campaigns
- Facebook live: Ask the Leaders Q&A

Facebook live: 13/05/21 - 662 views, 3 shares, 13 reactions, 1450 reach

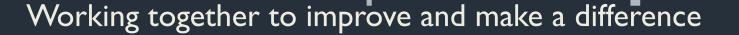
The regular communications reduced after 17 May



Regularly share case data and vaccination update







Step and potential dates	What this means (summary). For full details go to the roadmap	Actions (beyond the regular rhythm)	Challenges	Key messages
Step I - 8 March Could be announced I March	 Schools and colleges open for all students Some practical HE courses return Funerals (30) and wakes and weddings (6) Exercise outside with one other person No indoor mixing 	Facebook LiveInformation to parentsMedia briefing	TestingParental anxietyComplacency	 Stay at home Hands, Face, Space Get tested Let's keep going
Step 1b – No sooner than 29 March Announced by 22 March	 Rule of six or two households outdoors Outdoor sport and leisure facilities reopen Organised outdoor sports return Outdoor parent and child groups (15) Minimise travel, no holidays 	 Open space/parks signage Map/graphic about local with York in the centre? Community groups/sports briefing (what can do) 	 What is local? Return of sport Parent and child groups Rule of 6 Staff health and safety 	Stay localHands, Face,Space
Step 2 – No sooner than I2 April Announced by 5 April	 Still no indoor mixing, rule of 6 outside Reopening of retail, leisure and outdoor hospitality Domestic overnight stays (household only) Indoor parent and child groups (15) Funerals (30), Weddings and wakes (15) By 15 April all phase 1 offered vaccine 	 Media briefing Information for businesses City centre and district signage Litter campaign Partner briefing Direct comms to residents 	 Lots reopening Team capacity as this is around Easter break Domestic tourism Business support and café licences Unis face to face learning increases 	- Hands, Face, Space, air
Step 3 – No sooner than 17 May Announced by 10 May Our City	 Indoor entertainment and attractions (including pubs) 30 people outdoors, rule of 6/two households indoors (under review) Life events, inc weddings (30) Outdoor entertainment performances Return of crowds (indoor is 1,000 or 50% capacity, outdoor 4,000 or 50%) International travel (subject to review) 	 Facebook live Media briefing Stadium signage Live well York update? Pub signage Registrar / Crem signage Animation about fresh air What you can do outside Partner briefing 	 Live spectator sports Indoor mixing Tourism Up to 30 outside Pubs open to indoor trade Furlough support for affected staff Complacency 	 Hands, Face, Space and air Meet outdoors if you can
Step 4 – No sooner than 21 June	 NMENT REVIEW ON THE FUTURE OF HANDS No legal limits on contact and life events Larger events Nightclubs 	Open letter to residents? COVID safe celebration pack	 We GET FULLY BACK To the second of the second	ΓΟ NORMAL
Announced by 14 June	1 digiticians		- Staying open!	



Phase 2

Alert – following change in restrictions



Build confidence in the steps taken and what people need to do

Reminding residents what they can do (safe behaviours) to help stop the spread of the virus and keep homes and families in York safe

Communications objectives:

Think: there are things to do and support available

Feel: supported and engaged and more control over own safety

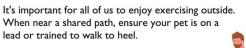
Do: follow hands, space, face, air to help keep everyone safe













'Let's all keep going' - cautious welcome to York Hospital's 'milestone'

Press release, web

Social

Our City

Sign advocacy

Shared partner messages

Educational Psychology

City of York Counci

Educational Psychology (EP) Support Line

and young people's wellbeing or learning.

or SEND, living in the City of York

Wednesday mornings 9am-11,30am

From 14th April to 21st July 2021

Please call 01904 553055







Build confidence in the steps taken and what people need to do - 17 May

- Press release and statement, web, social
- Shared NHS messages
- Partner briefing, resident and business update
- Offered posters to Station and Stadium
- Hospital banner
- Make It York / Welcome to Yorkshire good to go video
- Facebook live



Let's be York

Face coverings

From Monday, 17 May, secondary school children: udon't have to wear face coverings in classrooms. and communal areas astill have to wear face coverings on school buses and public transport





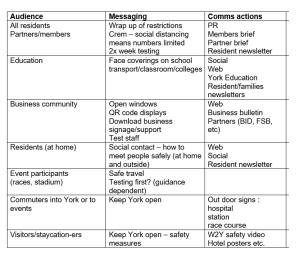




From May 17 you can:

Let's be York







"Because we've all been doing the right thing observing hands, face space, getting tested and vaccinated, self-isolating when necessary - we are now able to enjoy more freedoms.

" We can't lose sight though of the huge efforts that have got us here, so please let's all keep going and protect each other."

Cllr Keith Aspden, Leader of City of York Council

www.nhs.uk/coronavirus



Your latest business email update has

Stay up to date with the latest government guidance for businesses under the current National Lockdown restrictions and help York stop the spread of COVID-19.

To find out more visit: https://www.york.gov.uk/COVIDBusiness

1. COVID-19 update for businesses - Step 3

Further easing of COVID restrictions has been confirmed by the Government for 17 May. This means that Planned Step 3 easements will go ahead from Monday.

Business and activities - Most businesses in all but the highest risk sectors will be able to reopen. In all sectors, COVID-Secure guidance will remain in place and businesses may not cater for groups bigger than the legal limits. Indoor hospitality will reopen and as in Step 2, venues will not have to serve a substantial meal with alcoholic drinks; and there will not be a curfew. Customers will,



Ve're Good to Go! | Visit York



Build confidence in the steps taken YORK and what people need to do



Your next resident update has arrived!

To continue to help you and your community stay up to date with the latest information, we've put together some useful guidance on key government messages, updates on York services and direct links to support.

City of York Council's contact tracers will be out in communities tomorrow offering symptom-free coronavirus tests in an effort to help case numbers remain low

themselves twice a week, to stop the virus from spreading. This work will support the Council's efforts to increase the number of people being tested for COVID

Going door to door to offer testing kits to residents. This work will start On Wednesday 19 May in Wolsley Street. Gordon Street. Willis Street. Wellington

Street and Barbican Mews. It is not as the result of increased cases in that area or the presence of a variant of concern. It is the start of additional efforts to

Continuing to offer in-person testing and collection service at the University of York, York St John University, York Leisure Centre at the York Stadium Leisure

get more people tested and increase testing accessibility. Staff will have Council ID cards for identification and will be handing out free tests so residents will

From tomorrow (Wednesday 19 May), council staff will be visiting communities in the city offering testing kits to residents and encouraging them to test

Call for more residents to get tested as part of efforts to stop the virus from spreading

NHS

Test and Trace

Please visit our coronavirus webpages: https://www.york.gov.uk/coronavirus

Offering testing kits at the NHS vaccination centre for York residents and their family for regular use.

For more news from us, visit: https://www.york.gov.uk/news

to identify symptom-free cases and stop the spread of the virus.

Offering testing kits to employers in the city so that staff can get tested.

Complex. Acomb Explore and Foxwood Community Centre.

In the coming days Council's Public Health team will be

Testing

Symptomfree testing available for all residents

Everyone secondary school age and over is being encouraged to get tested twice a week.

Around a third of COVID-19 cases present with no symptoms, which means you could be spreading the virus to your friends and family without knowing. This is why we are asking residents to ensure they are regularly being tested for coronavirus, record their results and continue to follow social distancing measures and hands, face, space and fresh air to help keep our city open and the people around us safe.

The home testing kits, which you can collect from participating pharmacies and local testing sites, contain seven COVID tests each, are non-invasive, provide a result in less than 30 minutes and contain detailed information about how to record your results and selfisolation actions you need to take with a positive result. Symptom-Free tests are free, quick and easy and can help us keep the places we love open and the people we love safe.

If you have symptoms of Coronavirus you should self-isolate (§ 119) www.nhs.uk/coronavirus to arrange a test.

Getting the tests

 You can collect a free testing kit pack or take the test in person at one of our Symptom-Free Testing Centres (York

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Leisure Centre, University of York, York St John University, Foxwood Community Centre and St Williams college. You can now simply turn up when we are open. there is no longer a need to book. www.york.gov.uk/ SymptomFreeCovidTest.

· There are other options including home delivery or the chance to collect from pharmacies near where you live. You can order a free testing kit by \(\sqrt{1} \) 119. www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapidlateral-flow-tests

Please note

- You shouldn't take a symptom-free test if you have tested positive for Coronavirus in the past 90 days.
- Children of primary school age or younger are not being asked to regularly get tested for COVID.
- Any child who develops symptoms of COVID should still get a test, either by booking online or by calling 119.

Your vaccination auestions

Everyone will be offered a COVID-19 vaccine by the NHS. You will be invited to an appointment, by text, telephone or letter,

Where will I get my vaccine?

It could be your own GP practice, another local GP centre or the large vaccination site at Askham Bar. We will never ask for bayment details.

When you are eligible it's quick and simple to book through a link provided by your GP or

through the national system at @ www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination or by phoning 119 free of charge.

If you are waiting to hear about your vaccination, please avoid contacting your GP for updates. Keep their phone lines free for those who need help with health concerns.

Which vaccine will I get and how do I know they are safe?

All three vaccines approved in the UK, Pfizer-BioNTech, Oxford AstraZeneca and Moderna are now being administered in the Vale of York. Your vaccination site will assess the appropriateness for you of the available vaccine and you'll have a chance to chat about any concerns you may have.

Each vaccine has undergone rigorous assessment by UK regulators to ensure they are safe and effective. The approved vaccines do not contain any animal products or egg.

What happens when I get my vaccine?

It is important to arrive on time. You will be asked to wear a mask and sanitise your hands when you arrive. A volunteer marshal will take your details and you will receive the vaccine in the top of your arm. You may then be asked to wait in an observation area for 15 minutes

You may experience some mild side effects for a couple of days, including:

- sore arm aches or nausea
- headache · high temp or shivery
- tiredness

You cannot contract COVID-19 from the vaccine, but it is possible to catch the virus and pass it on once you have been vaccinated. so it is important to continue to follow any national restrictions that are in place and remember Hands - Face - Space -Fresh air.

york.gov.uk @@CityofYork @ /cityofyork

How do I get to my vaccination centre?

For information on accessing the Askham Ran site by car, bike or foot visit: www.nimbuscare.co.uk/our-services/nhs-

covid-vaccination-service/ First Bus has a useful journey planner and a vaccination centre travel quide

www.firstbus.co.uk/york/plan-iourney/ vaccination-centre-travel-guide

support

If you or someone you know is struggling with the loss of a loved one there is help

Bereavement

and support out there.

Our City

Resident update / partner brief Launched testing site - Media coverage/social Media response – door to door testing Social

HM Government

Regular rapid Covid-19 testing is

how we keep those close to us safer. The tests are easy to do and

show results within 30 minutes.

Direct communications to residents Shared NHS/CCG messaging

www.york.gov.uk/ SupportingBereavedChildren

For practical help when someone dies, call the Bereavement Advice Centre on

bereavementadvice.org Please note that each telephone number

may have differing opening times. Please refer to the website for details.

Tweet

s and visitors able to access this service



City of York Council 📀

Planned a trip to York? Why not add peace of mind to your shopping list?

St William's College is now offering free Covid tests. Get a result in 30 minutes and grab a coffee while you

Opening times: Monday to Friday 10am-5pm Weekends 10am-3pm

york.gov.uk/news/article/6..



Use home tests for anyone aged 11 and over with no Covid symptoms

- Do not use home tests on children under 11
- 😕 If you or your child have Covid symptoms, book at: gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test



www.york.gov.uk/SymptomFreeCOVIDTest

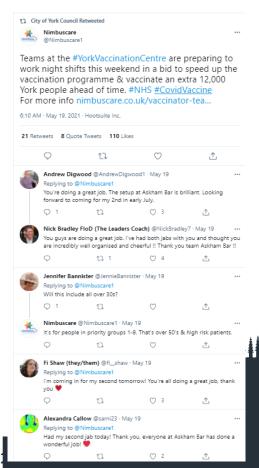
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Vaccinations

Vaccine letter to be sent out to city employers







Media / regular communications inc. facebook live and resident newsletter

Partner communications

Shared NHS/CCG communications

Letter to city employers

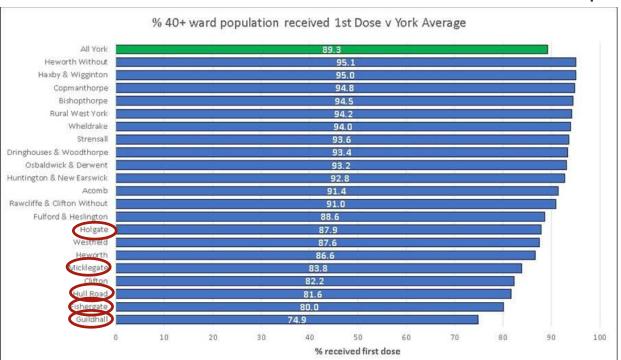
Media relations

Promoted vaccinations to next groups



Working together to improve and make a difference

Anti-covid / anti-lockdown leaflet and vaccination take-up



Anti-lockdown leaflets have been reported in Bishopthorpe Road and Fishergate, Hull Road and Holgate wards with stickers appearing across the City Centre (Parliament Street, Davygate, Coppergate, St Sampson's and St Helen's Square)

There is a correlation between where leaflets have been reported and lower takeup rates, however Cabinet Office report low engagement and there are likely to be other factors influencing vaccination take-up rates.

This needs further analysis and we will work with the Cabinet Office to see if other areas are reporting the same whilst exploring whether other parts of the city have had leaflets. In the meantime, we are addressing vaccination hesitancy in several different ways.



Vaccination take-up

York Average: 88.8%

Holgate: 87.9%

Micklegate: 83.6%

Hull Road: 81.6%

Fishergate: 80%

Guildhall: 74.9%



Online engagement (data from February 2021) Low engagement with the 'Great Reopening' movement – they have 6,000 members in their Telegram group, 1,700 on the Facebook group and 450 Twitter followers. There has also been a low volume of conversation on Twitter and discussion appears to be confined to existing anti-lockdown users.

Source: Cabinet Office



Local action by contact tracers and partners (this includes in areas where we have been informed of leaflet drops)

- Contact tracing team have been working with York City Centre Primary
 Care Network, contacting people who have not taken up the offer
- This work is extending to York medical Group and priory Medical Group.
 This work continues to follow the JCVI priority groups.
- The contact tracing team with testing centre staff have been going door to door in key areas of the city, offering home testing kits. When appropriate they have also been having a conversation regarding the COVID vaccination.
- NIMBUSCARE lead a short sharp, week long vaccination tracing project and contacted 2-3,000 people who had not taken up the offer
- Public Health, CCG and NIMBUSCARE are scoping the viability of opening a Vaccination site in the city centre



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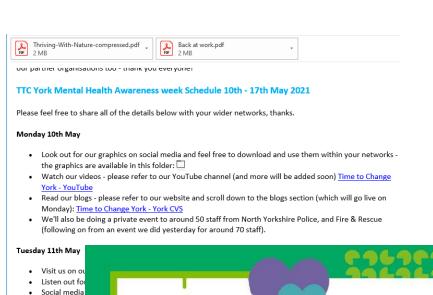
Emotional health

Partner toolkit
Social / sharing partners
MH awareness week













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Wednesday 12th M

Join our fee l

Social media

Listen out for
 Join our fee of 2021 at 7:00
 Social media

Thursday 13th May

- 12pm - regi

2021 at 11:0



Phase 4

Safely recover



Behavioural trial – amended plan

The trial will be in stages timed around key reopening dates:

- 1. <u>Prior to 29 March</u> PHE Behavioural science unit reviewed the existing signage and proposed changes. Signage was revised and was installed for 29 March and then, additional signage, for 12 April.
- 2. <u>Prior to 17 May</u> focus groups with businesses are not going ahead (over 34 viewed webpages, with 6 registered need 28 to be significant). Instead PHE will continue to interview residents/visitors to the city about their experiences together with the Our City survey for all residents. Businesses were invited to comment on PHE proposals through the normal meeting cycle.
- 3. <u>Prior to 21 June</u> tourist and resident insight together with business comments will inform refined signage together with recommendations about the interventions installed across the city
- 4. <u>During the summer</u>, we will poll businesses about how visitors are behaving in open spaces in light of the changes and whether the insight has made a difference.

Build engagement through conversation



25 March 2021

Held zoom webinar for business with outside space

- Promoted through corporate and partner channels
- 66 registered attendees

19-20 April 2021/ 10-11 May 2021

4 x focus groups arranged for businesses to discuss direct with PHE behavioural science unit 28 participants to be significant – only 6 registrations (34 web views) - this stage has been cancelled

30 April - 4 May 2021

Holding interviews with residents and visitors, and invited businesses who registered for focus groups 15 registered interest, 8 interviews have taken place

May - Our City survey for all residents

June – businesses invited to comment on proposals ahead of installation through usual meeting rhythm (to make as easy to contribute as possible)



Complete our survey

Right now to help the city recover we want to find out how we can keep residents safe as we all learn to live with covid. Our survey asks for some personal information which you may choose not to give. We do not publish or share any information which can identify you.

Please read our privacy notice at data.

yorkopendata.org/dataset/consultationprivacy-notices to find out more
about how we protect your personal
information.

If you have internet access, you can find out more and fill out the full questionnaire at:

york.gov.uk/OurBigConversation

If you do not have access to the internet, you can simply fill out the survey on the following pages and return by freepost to:

FREEPOST RTEG-TYYU-KLTZ City of York Council West Office Station Rise York YOI 6GA

