

What's On in Warwick (and What's Not)

A long-term calendar of events for residents and visitors compiled by Unlocking Warwick



February 2021 onwards (Revised 22.2.21)

www.unlockingwarwick.org

Warwick Market is every Saturday from 9am. Farmers' Markets are usually on the 2nd and 5th Saturdays of the month.

The latest rules from the government

In England

On 22nd February Boris Johnson announced his so-called Road Map for ending Covid restrictions in England.

There are provisional dates for a step-by-step approach, depending on the infection rates, beginning with schools and colleges reopening on March 8th <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-56158405>

Until then, **The National Lockdown 'Tier Five'** introduced in early January **continues**. The details of the rules and exemptions are here: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home> In summary:

- ! You must not leave, or be outside of your home except where necessary. You may leave home to: **shop** for basic necessities, for yourself or for a vulnerable person; **go to work**, or provide voluntary or charitable services, if you cannot reasonably do so from home; **exercise** in a public outdoor space, with your household (or support bubble) or one other person; this should be limited to once per day, and you should not travel outside your local area; meet your **support bubble** or childcare bubble if necessary; seek **medical assistance** or to avoid risk of harm (including domestic abuse); attend **education or childcare** - for those eligible; attend a **place of worship**.
- ! **Schools and colleges** are closed (except for vulnerable children and the children of key workers). They are all scheduled to reopen on 8th March. Nursery schools remain open.
- ! **No socialising**. You cannot meet other people indoors unless you live with them or they are part of your support bubble. Outdoors, you can only meet one person from another household for exercise.
- ! You cannot leave your home or the place where you are living for holidays or overnight stays unless you have a reasonable excuse for doing so. This means that **holidays** in the UK and abroad are currently **not allowed**. This includes staying in a second home or caravan..
- ! **Only 'essential' retail outlets** can remain open. These include food shops, pharmacies, pet shops, garden centres and building suppliers. You must wear a face mask in shops and on public transport. The government has set 12th April as the target for all shops and hairdressers to reopen.
- ! **Pubs and restaurants remain closed** except for takeaways and deliveries. May 17th is the provision date for reopening.
- ! **Entertainment venues** and tourist venues including museums are closed.
- ! **Hotels** and guest houses are closed.
- ! All indoor and outdoor **sports facilities** such as gyms and golf courses are closed.
- ! You can attend **places of worship** for a service. You should maintain strict social distancing at all times. No more than 6 people at a wedding and 30 people for a funeral.

In Warwick

- ! **Vaccinations:** The vaccination centre for the Primary Care Network (PCN) covering Warwick is at Warwickshire Golf Club. Some GP surgeries are also carrying out vaccinations. There is another nearby vaccination centre at Stoneleigh Nat. Agricultural Centre. All over 70s should have received an offer of their first jab by mid-February. More information here: <https://www.southwarwickshireccg.nhs.uk/Your-Health/COVID-19-Vaccination>
- ! **Museums, the Lord Leycester and the County Record Office** are closed to the public. With most people homeschooling, Heritage Warwickshire has been providing some activities children can do from home:
Home Schooling
 Over the last 10 months the museum has created lots of [#museumfromhome ideas](#) for Arty Tots and children aged 5 -12. Some are linked to the school curriculum, so if you are struggling for ideas they might be able to help. There is also a range of [You Tube](#) videos with craft ideas and how to do them. See museum online activities at: <http://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk/> Twitter [@RuairiTheFawn](#) Facebook: [Warwickshire Museum](#) Instagram: [@heritageandculturewarwickshire](#) YouTube: [Heritage and Culture Warwickshire](#) 01926 412500
- ! **Warwick Castle** has announced a 'temporary' closure. Those who have bought tickets for the winter attractions will be reimbursed. <https://www.warwick-castle.com/explore/events/christmas/>
- ! Several **churches** are offering opportunities for private prayer. For example, **St. Mary's** is open for individuals on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1pm to 3pm. Please wear a mask. Sunday services at 10.30am are streamed on the stmaryswarwick Facebook page, and then uploaded on to their You Tube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/c/CollegiateChurchofStMaryWarwick> .
- ! **Warwick Town Council** will be providing updates on local developments: <https://www.warwicktowncouncil.gov.uk/coronavirus>
- ! **The Visitor Information Centre** is closed but there is a click-and-collect service on most mornings for gift shop items. See available items at www.visitwarwick.co.uk. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WarwickVisitorCentre/> Phone 01926 492212 or email: info@visitwarwick.co.uk and collect by arrangement at the Castle Street door.
- ! **Warwick District Council** has information on the infection rate in the district and local services on its website: <https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20827/coronavirus> There is a Covid-19 Helpline: 01926 456111 (Mon-Fri. 9am – 5pm)
- ! During the restrictions you can enjoy **Virtual Tours** of The Court House, St. Mary's Church and The Lord Leycester Hospital via the QR code below, or go to <https://warwicktour.oucell.com> and watch online.



The Town of Treasures Web-based App

- ! The Warwick **Saturday Market** is open for food stalls only and with social distancing measures.
- ! **Warwick Racecourse:** The Jump Racing Season continues but behind closed doors. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- ! **Guy's Cliffe Walled Garden** is now closed until further notice.
- ! **Hill Close Gardens** are open Monday – Friday, 11am - 4pm. (But not Feb 26th) You may visit with your household or support bubble or with one other person . www.hillclosegardens.com
- ! **Unlocking Warwick** have cancelled until further notice their 'In The Ballroom' Socials, their Tea and Dance Lessons, Court House Tours and special events.

2021

February

26th Warwick Racecourse. **Fiver Friday featuring the Budbrooke Chase.** Currently to be held behind closed doors. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk

March

- 5th St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm. **Lunchtime Recital by Pupils from Warwick School** (tbc). Recitals will be open to members of the public if government guidelines permit, and will be streamed online at the St. Mary's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stmaryswarwick Free to attend with a retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 7th Warwick Racecourse. 9am. **The Wigley Group Half Marathon.** A 13.1 mile course through the countryside. **Cancelled**
- 8th Students return to **schools** and colleges. Practical courses at further education colleges will resume, but other courses will remain being taught remotely.
- 14th Warwick Racecourse. **The Four-legged Friend Raceday.** (T.b.c.) Currently to be held behind closed doors.
<https://www.thejockeyclub.co.uk/warwick/events-tickets/four-legged-friend-raceday2/>
- 19th St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm. **Lunchtime Recital: Mark Swinton** (organ). Recitals will be open to members of the public if government guidelines permit, (free with a retiring collection), and will be streamed online at the St. Mary's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stmaryswarwick www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 29th If the Covid -19 infection rate permits, outdoor gatherings of either six people or two households will be allowed and outdoor sports can resume
- 30th Warwick Racecourse. **Coventry City F.C. Raceday.** Seven races from 2pm.
www.warwickracecourse.co.uk

Some Dates Later in the Year (All under review depending on Covid restrictions)

- June 19th – Summer Arts week from Warwickshire Open Studios.
July 4th <https://mailchi.mp/warwickshireopenstudios/>
- July 2nd- 4th **Pub in the Park** with Tom Kerridge and friends. St. Nicholas Park.
- July 9th - **The Court Leet Beer and Cider Festival.** Pageant Gardens.
10th
- July 15th - **Warwick Folk Festival** at a new location in the Castle Park. www.warwickfolkfestival.co.uk
18th The **Smith Street Party** will be on 17th.
- July 16th - **The Court Leet Beer and Cider Festival** in Pageant Gardens, Castle Street.
17th <https://warwickbeerfestival.com/>
- July 20th **Olly Murs in Concert** at the Castle
- July 23rd **Michael Bublé in Concert** at the Castle.
- Sept 5th **Warwick Town Cycle Race** starting at the Dough and Brew. www.doughandbrew.com
- Oct 4th - 10th **Warwick Words History Festival.** www.warwickwords.co.uk

Please check events with the organisers. Unlocking Warwick cannot take any responsibility for any errors or changes.



The Court House Volunteers

To alert us to forthcoming events in Warwick, or send news of cancellations, email whatson@unlockingwarwick.org