



News from Justlifea Frontline Network Partner



Coronavirus (COVID-19) email update (21st April)

Here are the latest updates...

Also,

Did you know?...

This email goes out to over **350** people in Brighton & Hove working with people who are homeless in over **50** different organisations and community groups - want to partner with us to get training, shared knowledge and experience out to the city's workforce then drop us a message to kate@justlife.org.uk

Kate and Simon
Brighton & Hove Frontline Network Team

Local news



Food & Supplies for People who are Homeless

Those who were rough sleeping have been placed in hotel accommodation by the Council and St Mungo's, and Arch Healthcare have led the Care & Protect protocol to ensure everyone is in specific accommodation based on their need in relation to COVID-19.

All these people, along with others in emergency accommodation that St Mungo's were working with are receiving 3 meals a day.

Providers of Supported Accommodation are working with those living in their units to access food where necessary, and St Peters Church are providing a huge number of meals and food parcels every day. The Rough Sleeping & Homelessness Commissioners are providing extra support to supported accommodation to meet this need.

People placed in existing emergency accommodation by the council's housing department before this crisis or since, are being provided a hot meal at lunch time and a sandwich meal in the afternoon, if they are placed in a hotel with no cooking facilities or are in the high risk group who are shielding, self isolating or unable to access food. This delivery is being coordinated by Justlife, please contact us if you know of anyone in emergency accommodation who needs food delivered. louis@justlife.org.uk

Other food support can be found here:

For others needing help accessing food visit **Brighton and Hove Food Partnership.**

This link takes you to their general update page https://bhfood.org.uk/coronavirus-update/

And <u>here</u> is a link about accessing emergency food parcels across the city.

Some information from CGL

CGL have provided some information relating to their response during this COVID-19 outbreak:

- Things to consider to keep people experiencing homelessness safe: medication for opioid users and support for alcohol users.
- Letter to hostels re prescribing and medication.

Digital Brighton & Hove

Click <u>here</u> for the latest updates from Digital Brighton & Hove.

And <u>here</u> are some more general coronavirus support resources from Citizens Online.

Working from Home

<u>Think Productive have some more dates for their webinars</u> full of useful tips on helping you get to grips with working from home.

Wellbeing

If you're able to, take a pause in your day, to read the first of a series of blogs about how we can look after our wellbeing during this time from Abby Perrins - What are you soaking up?

Abby worked as a frontline worker in homelessness and drug and alcohol services for 7 years - she has since trained as a counsellor and is passionate about using her experience and training to support frontline workers in managing their wellbeing. She facilitates reflective workshops for frontline workers in wellbeing and self care and was due to deliver a workshop as part of our Wellbeing Forum that we postponed last month.

There is another free <u>Feel Good Friday webinar</u> from Homeless Link, focusing on Reflective Practice and Resilience.

Brighton & Hove City Council main COVID-19 page

<u>here</u> is the link to the Council's main COVID-19 page.

National news

National Frontline Network Team:

Apply to the VRF - Emergency Fund

Join the C-19 Frontline Worker Support Forum



Blog sharing an update from DWP '<u>Don't call us, we'll call</u> you'

<u>Share your Story</u> - a call for any budding bloggers out there who would like to share their stories as a frontline worker.

Homeless Link Resources and Information

Online Network:

COVID-19 Homelessness Response Online

Network. Non members request to join from this webpage.

Webinars/training:

Homeless Link are running weekly online sessions:

Feel-Good-Friday (free) and **Training Tuesday** (see listing for prices)

Click here for details.

They are also hosting another <u>COVID-19 and</u> Homelessness Services webinar on Wednesday.



Find out what <u>other</u> local networks are doing across the UK, read the latest stories, search for <u>events</u> and explore what **funding** opportun ities are available to you as frontline worker.

You can also sign up to the latest news from the national Frontline Network here.

The Brighton & Hove Frontline Network

The Brighton and Hove Frontline Network is for local frontline workers who support people experiencing homelessness to come together and share ideas and expertise.

The Brighton and Hove Frontline Network is hosted by <u>Justlife</u> and is part of the national <u>St Martin's Frontline Network</u>.







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