

**HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL - TUESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER, 2020**

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## Overall – COVID cases still increasing in Slough:

- The rate of new cases in Slough (the 7-day rolling average) is now lower than the England and similar to the SE average - all three show a spike in cases, with plateauing.
- Rate per 100,000 cases is 85.2 (3-9<sup>th</sup> Oct)
- The mortality rate remains below the seasonal average, with no new deaths since w/e 14<sup>th</sup> August.
- Calls re COVID to 111 have increased slightly but those to 999 remain low.
- Slough Local Contact Tracing: 64% of cases completed

**Public COVID Information Dashboard:**

<https://staging.berkshirepublichealth.co.uk/>

• Source:

Public Health England and UK Gov

# New National Contain Framework

- Announced last night
- 3 new Tiers: Medium, High Risk, Very High Risk
- Slough deemed to be on **Tier 1: Medium Risk**
- Means: no further local restrictions, same as rest of England
- But: very close to being put on Tier 2 High Risk- must keep implementing COVID infection prevention measures

# Local COVID Alert Level – Medium (Slough)

- This is for areas where national restrictions continue to be in place. This means:
  - All businesses and venues can continue to operate, in a COVID-Secure manner, other than those that remain closed in law, such as nightclubs.
  - Certain businesses selling food or drink on their premises are required to close between 10pm and 5am. Businesses and venues selling food for consumption off the premises can continue to do so after 10pm as long as this is through delivery service, click-and-collect or drive-thru.
  - Schools, universities and places of worship remain open
  - Weddings and funerals can go ahead with restrictions on the number of attendees
  - Organised indoor sport and exercise classes can continue to take place, provided the Rule of Six is followed
  - People must not meet in groups larger than 6, indoors or outdoors

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