

The health and safety of residents, visitors and staff is of paramount importance to us all and we want to share ongoing information and advice related to COVID-19 (coronavirus).

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Key Information

- The latest information can be found on the [UK government website](#).
- Check your plans before you travel, as some events and activities may have been postponed or cancelled.
- Guidance on prevention measures, which includes ensuring the washing of hands regularly, and covering your mouth/nose with tissues when coughing or sneezing, can be found at [nhs.uk](#).
- For travellers already in the UK and who need medical advice, use the [111 online coronavirus service](#) to get further information.
- You can find the latest coronavirus travel advice on the [tfl.gov.uk](#)

How Will Coronavirus Impact My Travel to Richmond upon Thames

As of 16th March, the UK government has advised against all unnecessary travel, and has asked the public to refrain from 'non-essential contact' for around 12 weeks. This means that some of Bath's businesses are temporarily closing, and events are being postponed. We are continually updating details below.

Many businesses within the hospitality sector – hotels, bed and breakfasts, apartments, restaurants, cafés and bars – remain open. A number of food establishments are switching to offer takeaway options for customers. Please support these businesses where you can, and if you have questions, please check directly with the venue.

Stay up-to-date with the latest advice on the [UK government website](#).

Cancellations, Closures and Postponements

Information is changing rapidly and so we are aiming to keep this list as up-to-date as we can. Please follow us on [Twitter](#), where we will be sharing information.

Fairs and Festivals

- **Richmond May Fair** postponed until later this year
- **Chestnut Sunday** cancelled
- **St George's Day** postponed until later this year
- **Ham Fair** cancelled

Fitness and Wellness, Libraries

- **All Council Sports and Libraries are closed**

Food and Drink

Many businesses remain open or are offering takeaway services.

Please check the following Facebook pages

www.facebook.com/groups/HamptonVillagePlan/

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TwickenhamVillage/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/RichmondVillage/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/StMargaretsandEastTwickenham/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/WhittonAndHeathfieldVillage/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/HamPetershamVillage/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/HamptonHillVillage/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/StrawberryHillVillage/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/EastSheenVillage/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MortlakeVillage/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/KewVillage/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/BarnesVillage/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TeddingtonVillage/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/HamptonWickVillage/>

Museums and Attractions

- **Hampton Court Palace** Closed until further notice
- **Kew Gardens** Closed until further notice
- **Orleans House Gallery** Closed until further notice

- **Strawberry Hill House** is now closed, however visitors are still welcome to the gardens
- **The National Archives** Closed until further notice
- **Turner's House** Closed until 30 April
- **World Rugby Museum and England Rugby store** Closed until further notice
- **Hammerton's Ferry** Open
- **WWT London Wetland Centre** Open

Nightclubs and Bars

- **Please check with the venues**

Outdoors and Active

- **Bushy Park** Open to cyclists and walking only
- **Richmond Park** Open to cyclists and walking only

Sporting Venues

- **Harlequins** All rugby suspended
- **Richmond Rugby FC** All rugby suspended

Theatres, Cinemas and Entertainment Venues

- **Landmark Arts Centre** Closed until further notice
- **Orange Tree Theatre** Closed until further notice
- **Richmond Theatre** Closed until further notice
- **The Exchange** Closed until further notice

Universities and Colleges

- **Richmond The American International University in London** have ceased face-to-face teaching for undergraduates and those taking taught graduate courses until after the Easter break.
- **Richmond and Hillcroft Adult Community College** will move to online provision from Monday 23rd March until the end of this academic year.