

## Road Map out of Lockdown

As you will be aware, today (22<sup>nd</sup> February) the Prime Minister addressed Parliament as he set out his plans to start easing national restrictions based on scientific evidence.

The national roadmap out of Covid-19 restrictions has four key tests and at every stage, the relaxation of the rules will be contingent on:

1. the vaccine rollout going ahead as planned;
2. the vaccine driving down deaths and hospitalisation figures;
3. cases of Covid in the community not overloading the NHS;
4. no new variants which could change the risk assessment.

By ensuring that we are meeting these four crucial tests, we can be confident that we are safely returning back to some sense of normality. However, if at any point it appears that one of these four key tests is being compromised, the details outlined today will be subject to change.

In today's announcement, the Prime Minister set out what we can expect in the next few months:



## On March 8th, the country will move into STEP 1, PART 1

This first phase of the lockdown easing will include:

- **All schools in England (primary and secondary) to open**, including school sports - schools may stagger class returns due to testing demands.
- **Universities may also open for Practical Higher Education Courses.**
- **Care home residents can be visited by one person:** after having and wearing PPE, they can visit inside and hold hands.
- You will be **allowed to have one-to-one outdoor meet-ups with someone from a different household**, this includes a coffee on a bench, a walk or any other recreational activity.
- **Funerals will resume with a maximum number of 30 individuals** and wakes and weddings will be limited to six people.

## On March 29th, the country will move into STEP 1, PART 2

This second phase of Step 1 of the lockdown easing will include:

- **The rule of six will return for outdoor meetings only** - this means six people from up to six different households can meet up outside.
- **Two different households can meet outside** - this means two families can get together even if they make up more than six people.
- **Outdoor organised sport will make a return for both children and adults**, this includes team and social distanced sport.
- You will also **be allowed to drive outside of your city, see someone outside and drive back the same day** without having broken any rules.
- **You will no longer be legally required to stay at home.**

The Prime Minister also laid out plans for what to expect in steps 2, 3 and 4. The graphics below will give you further information and as and when these announcements are confirmed, I will be sure to keep you updated with the latest details.

**STEP 2**

At least five weeks after Step 1, no earlier than 12 April.

 Indoor leisure (including gyms) open for use individually or within household groups.	 Rule of 6 or two households outdoors. No household mixing indoors.	 Outdoor attractions, such as zoos, theme parks and drive-in cinemas.	
 Libraries and community centres.	 Personal care premises.	 All retail.	 Outdoor hospitality.
 All children's activities, indoor parent & child groups (up to 15 parents).	 Domestic overnight stays (household only).	 Self-contained accommodation (household only).	
 Funerals (30), wakes, weddings, receptions (15).	 Minimise travel. No international holidays.	 Event pilots begin.	

## STEP 3

At least five weeks after Step 2, no earlier than 17 May.



Indoor entertainment and attractions.



30 person limit outdoors.  
Rule of 6 or two households indoors (subject to review).



Domestic overnight stays.



Organised indoor adult sport.



Most significant life events (30).



Remaining outdoor entertainment (including performances).



Remaining accommodation.



Some large events (except for pilots) - capacity limits apply.  
Indoor events: 1,000 or 50%.  
Outdoor other events: 4,000 or 50%.  
Outdoor seated events: 10,000 or 25%.



International travel - subject to review.

## STEP 4

At least five weeks after Step 3, no earlier than 21 June.

By Step 4, the Government hopes to be able to introduce the following (subject to review):



No legal limits on social contact.



Nightclubs.



Larger events.



No legal limit on all life events.