

Dear Business owner,

Wear a mask: the best gift we can give our NHS this winter

Covid-19 case rates are increasing sharply across our region. The South West now has one of the highest case rates in England. The killer virus has not gone away.

Winter is coming. The colder weather always brings pressures on our NHS.

That is why I am asking residents across the West of England, once again, to come together to help protect our NHS and our regional recovery.

- **Please wear a face covering if you can in enclosed spaces - and display the enclosed poster in your window.**
- **Get jabbed if you are eligible for the Covid-19 vaccine (including the booster vaccine).**
- **Wash your hands for 20 seconds regularly throughout the day.**
- **Follow the latest NHS guidelines.**

The toll of the pandemic on our region has already been large. Sadly too many lives have been lost. There has also been a sizeable economic cost.

In the run up to Christmas, we all want to save lives, ensure the regional recovery is not damaged and protect our NHS.

Together, we can help slow the spread of the virus. We've done it before and we can do it again.

So please display the enclosed poster and follow the advice to keep you and all our communities as safe as possible.

More copies of the enclosed poster can be downloaded at <https://bit.ly/3vBFuKt> or you can contact mayor@westofengland-ca.gov.uk.

Let's give the NHS the best gift we can this Christmas.

Yours faithfully



Dan Norris
Metro Mayor for the West of England

Tel: +44 (0)117 428 6210

3 Rivergate, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6EW

Email: mayor@westofengland-ca.gov.uk

www.westofengland-ca.gov.uk