

Area of activity	Government social distancing measures - chronological list of interventions	Date - published
Local government finance& funding	Letters: Business rates information - listed below	11 Oct 2012
Local government finance& funding	Guidance: Business rates: expanded retail discount 2020 to 2021	30 Nov 2018
Public health	Guidance: Infection prevention and control	10 Jan 2020
Business and charity support	Guidance for employees, employers and businesses	25 Feb 2020
Planning and building safety	Guidance from the Planning Inspectorate	12 March 2020
Local government finance& funding	3/2020: Budget 2020 Guidance - Business rates information	13 March 2020
Social care	Guidance: Residential care, supported living and home care	13 March 2020
Homelessness& rough sleeping	Guidance for hostel or day centres for people rough sleeping	16 March 2020
Homelessness& rough sleeping	Announcement: £3.2 million emergency support for rough sleepers during coronavirus outbreak	17 March 2020
Planning & building safety	Announcement: Government to grant permission for pubs and restaurants to operate as takeaways	17 March 2020
Housing	Announcement: Complete ban on evictions and additional protection for renters	18 March 2020
Other	Guidance: Public procurement regulations and responding to the coronavirus outbreak	18 March 2020
Legislation	Coronavirus Act 2020	19 March 2020
Social care	Guidance: Ethical framework for adult social care for local authorities and adult social care professionals	19 March 2020
Social care	Announcement: £2.9 billion funding to strengthen care for the vulnerable	19 March 2020
Local government finance& funding	Guidance: Business rates: nursery (childcare) discount 2020 to 2021	20 March 2020
Local government finance& funding	4/2020: Business rates information coronavirus response and guidance	20 March 2020
Other	Guidance: Procurement Policy Note, supplier relief due to COVID-19	20 March 2020
Shielding and volunteering	Guidance on shielding and protecting people defined on medical grounds as extremely vulnerable	21 March 2020
Social care	Guidance: Vulnerable children and young people	22 March 2020
Business and charity support	Announcement: Extra protection for businesses with ban on evictions for commercial tenants who miss rent payments	23 March 2020
Housing	Guidance: Domestic abuse safe accommodation provision	23 March 2020
Public health	Guidance: Closing certain businesses and venues in England	23 March 2020
Business and charity support	Guidance: Small Business Grants Fund, Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant Fund, and Local Authority Discretionary Fund	24 March 2020
Homelessness& rough sleeping	Guidance for accommodation providers	24 March 2020
Local government finance& funding	Guidance: Council tax: COVID-19 hardship fund 2020 to 2021	24 March 2020

Planning and building safety	Letter: Planning update from the Chief Planner (March 2020)	24 March 2020
Homelessness& rough sleeping	Letter from Minister Hall to hotels on providing accommodation to support vulnerable people	25 March 2020
Local government finance& funding	Business Rates: Expanded Retail Discount Guidance	25 March 2020
Housing	Guidance: Home moving during the coronavirus outbreak	26 March 2020
Local government finance& funding	5/2020: Business rates information coronavirus response and guidance	26 March 2020
Other	Guidance: Fraud control in emergency management	26 March 2020
Other	Guidance: European Structural and Investment Funds	26 March 2020
Homelessness& rough sleeping	Letter from Minister Hall to local authorities on plans to protect rough sleepers	27 March 2020
Homelessness& rough sleeping	Letter from Minister Hall to caravan and park home owners	27 March 2020
Planning & building safety	Guidance: Remediation and Building Safety	27 March 2020
Personal Protective Equipment PPE	Guidance: Office for Product Safety and Standards PPE guidance for business & local authorities	27 March 2020
Public health	Guidance for people with animals	27 March 2020
Housing	Government Guidance for Landlord Tenants and Local Authorities	28 March 2020
Public health	Guidance for the public on mental health and wellbeing	29 March 2020
Schools and education	Guidance hub: Schools and other educational settings	29 March 2020
Local government finance& funding	Announcement: Allocations of additional funding to local authorities	30 March
Funerals and care of the deceased	COVID-19: Guidance for Care of the Deceased	31 March 2020
Social care	Guidance: Changes to the Care Act 2014 to help local authorities prioritise care and support	31 March 2020
Other	Guidance: Notification of data controllers to share information	1 April 2020
Housing	Guidance: Meeting the regulatory requirement to secure valid Energy Performance Certificates	2 April 2020
Local government finance& funding	6/2020: Business rates information coronavirus response and updated guidance	2 April 2020
Social care	Guidance: Admission and care of people in care homes	2 April 2020
Other	Announcement: Councils given new powers to hold public meetings remotely	3 April 2020
Other	Guidance: Health, care and volunteer workers parking pass and concessions	3 April 2020
Testing	Policy paper: How the government intends to scale up testing programmes to provide a test to anyone who needs one	4 April 2020
Planning & building safety	Guidance: Changes to neighbourhood planning	6 April 2020
Other	Letter: Local authority meetings& postponement of elections	6 April 2020
Public health	Guidance: Social distancing in the workplace	7 April 2020

Public health	Guidance: Information leaflet on stopping the spread of coronavirus	7 April 2020
Waste	Guidance for local authorities on prioritising waste collections	7 April 2020
Social care	Guidance: Providing unpaid care	8 April 2020
Local government finance& funding	7/2020: Business rates information coronavirus response: monitoring	9 April 2020
Personal Protective Equipment PPE	Guidance: PPE plan	10 April 2020
Personal Protective Equipment PPE	Guidance: PPE hub	10 April 2020
Social care	Action plan for adult social care	15 April 2020
Social care	Guidance: Social care	15 April 2020
Testing	Guidance: Coronavirus testing for frontline workers	15 April 2020
Testing	Announcement: Testing for “everyone who needs one” in social care settings	15 April 2020
Waste	Letter: Thank you to waste sector workers	15 April 2020
Local government finance& funding	Announcement: Councils will be allowed to defer £2.6 billion in business rates payments to central government, and £850 million in social care grants will be paid up front this month	16 April 2020
Local government finance& funding	Letter: Council Tax information on the technical implementation of the £500 million hardship fund	16 April 2020
Planning & building safety	Announcement: Pledge to ensure necessary building safety improvements can continue	16 April 2020
Business& charity support	Guidance: Work out 80% of your employees’ wages to claim through the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	17 April 2020
Business& charity support	Guidance: Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme guide for employers	17 April 2020
Funerals and care of the deceased	Announcement: Government sets out plans to ensure bereaved families can attend funerals during pandemic	17 April 2020
Funerals and care of the deceased	Guidance: Local death management	17 April 2020
Social care	Guidance: Financial support for education, early years and children’s social care	17 April 2020
Testing	Announcement: Testing extended to more frontline workers	17 April 2020
Testing	Guidance: Privacy notice for testing for critical workers	17 April 2020
Local government finance& funding	Announcement: Government pledges extra £1.6 billion for councils	18 April 2020
Other	Letter: Secretary of State thanks the local government workforce	18 April 2020
Funerals and care of the deceased	Guidance: Managing a funeral	19 April 2020
Business& charity support	Announcement: New coronavirus ‘support finder’ tool for businesses and self-employed people	20 April 2020
Business& charity support	Announcement: Data on grant funding provided to businesses by local authorities in England	20 April 2020
Local government finance& funding	Letter: Outline of funding support to councils	20 April 2020

Public health	Guidance: Care of the deceased with suspected or confirmed coronavirus	20 April 2020
Planning& building safety	Guidance: Application of the building regulations	21 April 2020
Local government finance& funding	Announcement: Businesses to receive almost £10 billion in rates relief	22 April 2020
Other	Letter: Extension of statutory audit deadlines for 2019 to 2020	22 April 2020
Funerals and care of the deceased	Guidance: Support for the bereaved	23 April 2020
Parks and public spaces	Letter: Access to parks and public spaces, including burial grounds and cemeteries	23 April 2020
Parks and public spaces	Announcement: Communities Secretary welcomes response to his call for parks to open	25 April 2020
Shielding & volunteering	Announcement: Over half a million food packages delivered to those at risk	26 April 2020
Housing	Guidance for social landlords on essential moves	27 April 2020
Parks and public spaces	Guidance: Access to green spaces	27 April 2020
Personal Protective Equipment PPE	Guidance on PPE from Public Health England	27 April 2020
Testing	Announcement: Further expansion of access to coronavirus testing	28 April 2020
Business and charity support	Announcement: £6.1 million funding boost for Business Improvement Districts	1 May 2020
Testing	Letter: Testing for council workers	1 May 2020
Business and charity support	Announcement: Top up to local business grant fund scheme	2 May 2020
Homelessness&rough sleeping	Announcement: Rough sleeping taskforce created	2 May 2020
Waste	Letter: Opening household waste and recycling centres	5 May 2020
Business and charity support	Guidance: Apply for the Food Charities Grant Fund	6 May 2020
Local government finance&funding	Announcement: Business rates revaluation postponed	6 May 2020
Shielding and volunteering	Announcement: Over 1 million food boxes delivered to those most at risk from coronavirus	6 May 2020
Legislation	Guidance: Coronavirus Act 2020 status table	7 May 2020
Business and charity support	Announcement: Domestic abuse charities can apply for vital funds	7 May 2020
Testing	Announcement: Whole home testing rolled out to all care homes in England	8 May 2020
Public health	Guidance: Staying alert and safe	11 May 2020
Other	Roadmap: The UK Government's COVID-19 recovery strategy	11 May 2020
Housing	Announcement: new guidance on moving home	13 May 2020
Parks and public spaces	Guidance: Safer public spaces - urban centres and green spaces	13 May 2020
Parks and public spaces	Announcement: new guidance on spending time outdoors	13 May 2020
Planning & building safety	Guidance: coronavirus planning update	13 May 2020

Planning & building safety	Guidance: Coronavirus compulsory purchase	13 May 2020
Planning & building safety	Guidance: Coronavirus community infrastructure levy	13 May 2020
Planning & building safety	Guidance: construction site working hours Q&A	13 May 2020
Planning & building safety	Guidance: consultation and pre-decision matters	13 May 2020
Planning & building safety	Guidance: plan-making	13 May 2020
Local government finance& funding	Announcement: £600 million Infection Control Fund	15 May 2020
Social care	Guidance: Care home support package	15 May 2020
Housing	Letter: Measures in place to support social housing residents	18 May 2020
Testing	Announcement: Everyone with symptoms now eligible for coronavirus tests	18 May 2020
Social care	Guidance: Home care	22 May 2020
Homelessness& rough sleeping	Announcement: 6,000 new supported homes as part of plans to end rough sleeping	24 May 2020
Local government finance& funding	Guidance: £50 million fund to help the safe reopening of high streets	24 May 2020
Business& charity support	Announcement: Timeline for retail to reopen	25 May 2020
Testing	Announcement: Government launches NHS test and trace service	27 May 2020
Testing	Guidance: How NHS test and trace works	27 May 2020
Shielding & volunteering	Announcement: Those shielding to be able to spend time outdoors	31 May 2020
Public health	Announcement: Face coverings to be mandatory on public transport	4 June 2020
Housing	Announcement: Ban on evictions extended by 2 months	5 June 2020
Shielding & volunteering	Announcement: Frontline health and care staff able to access support NHS volunteers	6 June 2020
Local government finance& funding	Announcement: £63 million for councils to assist those struggling to afford food and other essentials	11 June 2020
Other	Guidance: Safe use of places of worship	12 June 2020
Business& charity support	Announcement: Measures extended to halt business evictions and support the high street	19 Jun 2020
Planning& building safety	Announcement: New measures to help the construction industry boost building and return to work safely	22 June 2020