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June Newsletter

From the UK Covid-19 Inquiry
team



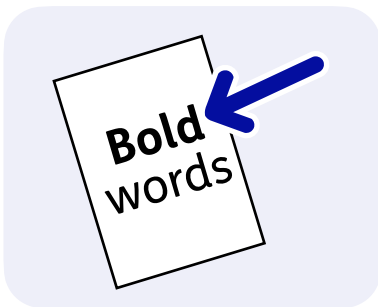
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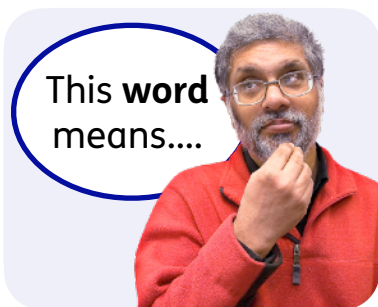
This is an Easy Read version of some information. It may not include all of the information but it will tell you about the important parts.



This Easy Read booklet uses easier words and pictures. You may still want help to read it.



Some words are in **bold** - this means the writing is thicker and darker.



These are words that some people will find hard. When you see a bold word, we will explain it in the next sentence.



Blue and underlined words show links to websites and email addresses. You can click on these links on a computer.

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About this newsletter



This newsletter is from Sam Hartley and the UK Covid-19 Inquiry team.



We are the group that is looking at how the UK dealt with Covid-19.



We are looking at what could be done better in the future.

This will mean the UK is more ready for an emergency in the future.



This newsletter will tell you about the work we did in June.

Our listening project



Our listening project is about giving people the chance to tell us what Covid-19 was like for them.



It is called 'Every Story Matters'.

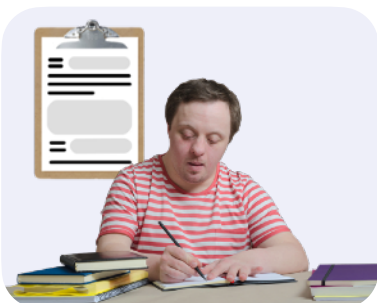
This month we:



- Set up an easy online form that people can fill in to share their Covid-19 stories.



You can fill in the form yourself here: www.covid19.public-inquiry.uk/every-story-matters/



- Made paper copies of the form for anyone who cannot go online.



You can ask for a paper copy of the form by emailing:

contact@coronavirus-public-inquiry.uk



This month we also shared lots of information about our listening project so that as many people as possible can take part.

Later this year we will:

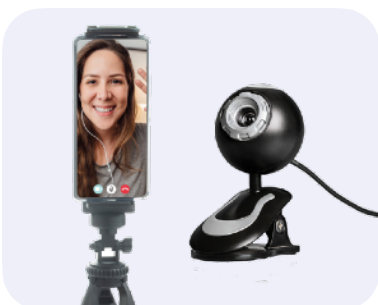


- Set up a phone line so that people can call and share their Covid-19 stories.

- Help people share their Covid-19 stories using:



- British Sign Language.



- Video.

We will also help people share their Covid-19 stories using:



- Easy Read.



- Braille.



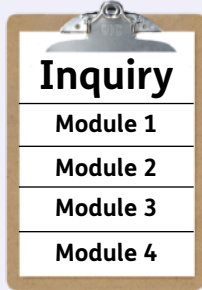
- Their main language.



You can watch a video on our website that explains why our listening project is so important to us:

www.covid19.public-inquiry.uk/news/baroness-hallett-calls-for-people-to-share-their-pandemic-experiences-to-help-the-uk-covid-19-inquiry/

News about Module 1



The Inquiry's work is split into parts called **modules**.

These **modules** look at different things to do with what happened during Covid-19.

Module 1



Module 1 is about how ready the UK was for Covid-19.



The **public hearings** for Module 1 started on 13 June.

The **public hearings** are when we will listen to lots of different people to find out more information about Covid-19.



At the public hearings, we will hear from organisations that were part of dealing with Covid-19.

At the public hearings, we will also hear from:



- Government staff.



- People who were affected by Covid-19.

We have:



- Done lots of planning to make sure everyone involved in the public hearings is prepared.



- Collected lots of information about what we will talk about at the public hearings.



There will be 6 weeks of public hearings for Module 1.

We will hear from around 70 people.

How can I watch the public hearings?



You can watch the public hearings on YouTube. You can watch them live or after they have happened.



There will also be a typed document that shows everything that was said at the public hearings.

This is called a transcript.



After the public hearings have happened, you can find the transcripts on our website:

www.covid19.public-inquiry.uk/documents/



If you would like to get a weekly email that gives you updates about what has happened at the public hearings, please fill in this [form](#).

In person



You are welcome to watch the public hearings in person if you like.

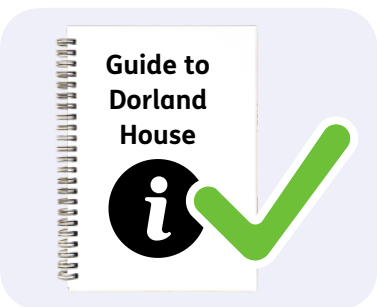
England's public hearings will take place at Dorland House in London.



Anyone who is coming to the public hearings in person should get to Dorland House early.



This is because there might not be enough space for everyone.



Soon we will share a guide which gives more information about Dorland House.

News about other inquiry work



This month we started to look into Module 4, which is about the Covid-19 **vaccines**.

A **vaccine** is a jab that helps to stop you from being ill with a certain illness.

We have also set up 2 new modules:



- Module 5 - this module is about how the Government gets the things that the UK needs.



- Module 6 - this module is about the UK's care services.



You can find out more about our new modules here:

www.covid19.public-inquiry.uk/news/inquiry-update-new-investigations-announced/

Remembering Covid-19



We have been working with lots of people to create different kinds of art that help us remember the effects of Covid-19.



Artist Ekow Eshun has been in charge of helping us create a **tapestry** which shows the stories of people who struggled during Covid-19.

A **tapestry** is a type of art. It is a large piece of fabric that shows a picture.



The first parts of our tapestry were shown on 13 June at the first Module 1 public hearing.

Thank you



Thank you to everyone who has taken part in our work.



We understand getting information about our work might make you think about sad memories from Covid-19.



You can find organisations that will support you with this here:
www.covid19.public-inquiry.uk/support

Find out more



You can look at our website:

www.covid19.public-inquiry.uk

If you need more information you can contact us by:



- Post:

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