

[20/03/2020, 8:01:06 am] Johnson Boris: Getting Cornwall mps saying can we discourage huge domestic tourism at Easter. Apparently they seeing big bookings

[20/03/2020, 8:02:43 am] Cain Lee: From a comms perspective it is certainly easier to have one simple message nationwide. I suspect this will encourage much greater compliance - which is what we need at this moment in time

[20/03/2020, 11:11:07 am] Johnson Boris: I rang Chris Evans at telegraph and said story about turning away corona patient in Lewisham was not true

How is London doing generally ?

[20/03/2020, 12:52:02 pm] Johnson Boris: <attached: 00000121-PHOTO-2020-03-20-12-52-02.jpg>

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[20/03/2020, 12:57:26 pm] Johnson Boris: Dyson freaking

Action this day

[20/03/2020, 12:59:16 pm] Hancock Matt: I have also received the same. I will talk to Dyson and Michael and sort it.

At the heart of this problem is CO trying to do things like buy ventilators that are core DHSC responsibility. It's why I was clear this morning that we need to take responsibility for these things here - with Michael checking progress - not have people falling over each other.

Despite that, the ventilator project is going well. We will fix

[20/03/2020, 7:18:41 pm] Johnson Boris: Is it worth publicising this terrifying fact that on current trajectory we will hit 10 k deaths in 2 weeks

It will focus peoples minds on the measures we need them to follow and of course it shows the scale of the challenge

[20/03/2020, 7:20:39 pm] DomC: People are already drawing these graphs -- at the moment deaths are relatively low so the numbers are noisier -- can be 20% then 45% etc day by day... at the moment though it is above 33% on average which puts us on italy curve at the mo, roughly

[20/03/2020, 7:22:06 pm] Johnson Boris: I think we should get it out there

[20/03/2020, 7:25:56 pm] Vallance Patrick: I would be careful about precise numbers and times. Maybe just reiterate that unchanged we would be in same place as Italy in 2-4 weeks

[21/03/2020, 9:07:51 am] Johnson Boris: I suppose the figures showing faster climb rate than Italy also have to be treated w caution

MAtt is there any value in getting the met to help trace contacts or are we past that stage ?

[21/03/2020, 11:49:13 am] Johnson Boris: <https://www.buzzfeed.com/alexwickham/10-days-that-changed-britains-coronavirus-approach>

[21/03/2020, 11:50:53 am] Johnson Boris: Seems to be some manoeuvring here by both politicians and scientists ! We will need to muster a counter argument

[21/03/2020, 11:51:22 am] Johnson Boris: And civil servants alas

[21/03/2020, 11:54:31 am] Vallance Patrick: Yes. Not helpful or truthful

[21/03/2020, 12:12:41 pm] Johnson Boris: I agree and it would be helpful for us all if we have a clear narrative about what really happened and why we took the decisions we did

[21/03/2020, 12:56:24 pm] Hancock Matt: Surely it's simple: we followed the science. The scientific advice showed the disease accelerating so we acted, as we always said we might have to. Less juicy but true.

[21/03/2020, 1:01:41 pm] Whitty Chris: That's basically it. The only major change along the path was that originally we thought it might be possible to do without school closures. When new modelling showed we would also need that it was communicated and acted on rapidly. Otherwise it was a matter of timing.

[21/03/2020, 2:32:40 pm] Johnson Boris: Today is Mother's Day. It is a day when we celebrate the sacrifice and the effort of those who gave us life, and across the country I know that millions of people will have been preparing to do something special; not just a card, not just flowers. I know that everyone's strongest instinct is to go and see their mothers in person, to have a meal together, to show them how much love them. But I am afraid that this Mothering Sunday the single best present that we can give - we who owe our mothers so much - is to spare them the risk of catching a very dangerous disease. The sad