



## Media Release

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### Use of Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions advisory in Alderney

As a precautionary measure, following the identification of 3 positive COVID-19 cases in Alderney overnight, non-pharmaceutical interventions are being advised until contact tracing establishes and contains COVID-19 cases.

Dr Brink, Director of Public Health said:

‘We have always said that we would see clusters or outbreaks of cases as we learn to live with COVID-19. We have also said that intermittent use of NPIs might be required from time to time.

Alderney residents, and those travelling to Alderney, are advised to adopt NPIs whilst we work with Alderney colleagues to carry out testing and contact tracing’.

NPIs that are advised at this time include:

- Stay at home if you feel unwell and seek testing
- Face coverings recommended – particularly indoors in public areas
- Regular handwashing or use of hand sanitizer
- Good respiratory etiquette – catch it, bin it, kill it
- Ensure indoor spaces are well ventilated – open doors and windows. Preferably meet outside.
- Social distancing is recommended where possible
- Organisers of public events are advised to keep a list of attendees

In addition, islanders are strongly recommended to stay at home if they have symptoms, even if they are mild and feel like they just have a slight cold. They should also seek testing immediately.

**Ends**