

The Perth and Kinross Offer

Supporting communities through Covid19 – everyone has something to Offer

What you, our communities, did

- > mobilised very early on and provided critical support to vulnerable people
- registered to volunteer with the Council
- ➤ delivered and provided an estimated 10,000 15,000 hot meals and food packs
- provided information and befriending services and delivered leaflets and prescriptions
- worked in partnership with the Welfare and Community Resilience team
- helped neighbours with shopping, gardening and small tasks
- took a proactive approach to keeping informed about the services available
- > managed your income and kept in touch when you were facing financial hardship
- took a proactive approach to supporting your children with home schooling and encouraged them to stay in touch with their teacher
- > encouraged your children to keep active and healthy during the lockdown
- > encouraged children to write to our elderly residents to help with social isolation
- > undertook minor repairs within your home when we couldn't visit due to restrictions
- > took responsibility for dealing with small disputes with your neighbours
- helped out by maintaining greenspace within your community
- worked with us to support your business and staff

What we did

- maintained 18 essential services during the pandemic
- quickly established the Welfare and Community Resilience team
- dealt with more than 11,000 calls and 400 welfare doorstep checks.
- delivered over 3,300 food packs
- undertook over 7,000 housing welfare checks
- continued to provide support to older tenants living within our sheltered housing complexes
- dealt with over 3,300 enquiries regarding housing options
- > supported households facing homelessness for a range of reasons including domestic abuse, early release prisoners and people with no recourse to public funds.
- Supported over 1000 children and young people through Services for Children Young People and Families
- > maintained delivery of education through online learning and digital technologies, helping families with home-learning
- quickly organised payments for free school meals
- > provided technology equipment and support to ensure we could keep in touch with you
- > paid over 3,300 business grants to the value of £34M
- responded to over 500 requests for advice & support from local businesses
- > established a Covid 19 Business Taskforce to coordinate our local response to businesses
- published a regular Business Bulletin providing advice and signposting support available