# CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) DAILY INFORMATION UPDATE



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#### 23 April

National one minutes silence for International Workers' Memorial Day



Every year on **April 28th**, all around the world the trade union movement unites to mark International Workers' Memorial Day (#IWMD20). To remember those who have lost their lives at work, or from work-related injury and diseases and to renew efforts to organise collectively to prevent more deaths, injuries and disease as a result of work. Workers Memorial Day is commemorated throughout the world and is officially recognised by the UK Government.

#### Theme for 2020: Coronavirus

The coronavirus pandemic affects every worker regardless of sector or locality. Tens of thousands of workers worldwide have died. More have fallen ill or continue to go to work risking their lives.

#### **Minutes silence**

At 11am on Tuesday 28th April, in support of our trade unions we are asking employees where possible to take part in one minute's silence. It will be a moment to pay tribute to the sacrifice made of so many workers in the past and in current circumstances, to remember those who've sadly lost their lives, and to thank all those who continue to do vital work at great risk.

#### Superhero Peter is going above and beyond - volunteering on days off



Peter Stewart Assistant Supervisor Neighbourhoods and Sustainability

Peter Stewart, Assistant Supervisor at Neighbourhoods and Sustainability (Eastern Depot) is going over and above his daily role.

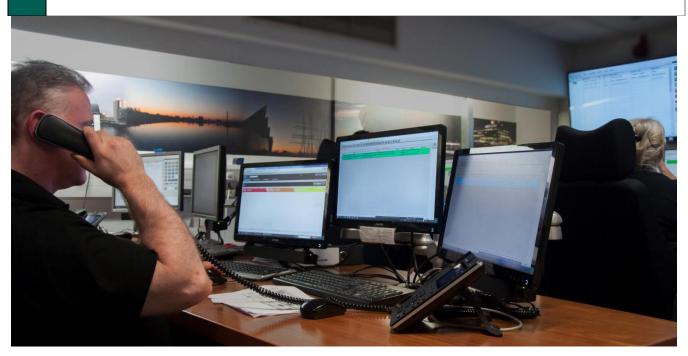
Peter is playing a key role in delivering operational front-line services. He is also working more hours than required, to help meet the challenging demands of the Service on a day-to-day basis. Peter works a four on four off shift pattern - this pattern together with the demanding role can be challenging, especially during the current pandemic. However, Peter has also volunteered to work during his days off to make sure that essential services are delivered for the people of Glasgow.

**Martin McKelvie, Neighbourhood Services Manager** said: "Peter is the type of employee that just gets on with his job, he is extremely hardworking and dedicated to the service. Peter is delivering the service for us each day he is on shift through these extremely challenging times and putting in extra time to make sure that our targets are being met. The fact that Peter has volunteered during his days off speaks volumes about his commitment to the service."

#thank you Peter for your dedication and commitment to helping us to keep the city running



ARC - supporting our vulnerable citizens



Staff at the **Community Safety Alarm Receiving Centre** (ARC) are working flat out to provide round the clock support to some of the most vulnerable elderly citizens in the city. The work done is helping to save lives, and keep people safe.

The ARC centre at Blochairn can remotely monitor a wide range of services to support our care workers and the city's Police and Fire and Rescue and Ambulance emergency services which in turn is alleviating pressure on NHS facilities.

Bernie Biggins, Service Manager said: "The team monitor and respond to alarm alerts from our vulnerable elderly citizens, many of whom have dementia. Using our personal attack alarms and CCTV systems, we can view a number of areas of the city at any one time and quickly alert our Security Services team to attend if required.

"Our Monitoring Officers are doing a fantastic job providing quick response to alarm activations, dealing with callers calmly and efficiently and liaising with emergency services where necessary."

#### #Thank you everyone at ARC for helping to keep our communities safe

Our amazing pool of volunteers continues to grow – well done!



Thank you to everyone who has registered to become a volunteer during this challenging time – by doing so you are helping us to keep the city running and continue to deliver essential services to our citizens.

The response from you is overwhelming and massively appreciated – we now have nearly 700 staff who have registered to join our pool of amazing volunteers. Well done!

Registered staff volunteers have opted to support essential services such as social care, crematoria, driving, refuse, cleaning and business support. To-date we now have 36 staff **in new posts** – for example staff supporting key roles in our Shielding Project.

In addition to this we have 110 placements **in progress** – these include roles within our Social Care Services in Homecare and Old People's Residential Care Homes.

If you have already registered then the volunteer team will be in touch to see which roles suit you when essential opportunities arise. If you are interested in joining our pool of volunteers you can find out how to register <u>here</u>

#Thank you everyone for your dedication and commitment to keeping our city running

Share your story with us



At this challenging time – we would love to hear about what you are doing to help support the city.

- Have you volunteered in another section to help deliver an essential task?
- Are you particularly proud of your team or a colleague and the work they are doing to keep services running to our citizens?
- Have you seen a colleague go above and beyond to help deliver a service?

We would love to share your stories with your colleagues across the council – so please get in touch. Email a couple of lines and a mobile phone picture (if you have one) to **Insider@glasgow.gov.uk** 

#### # we know you're all proud to play your part for the city - thank you for making a difference.

### Keep up the great work – what we're hearing on Twitter



Lauren Bennie @Thegirlwho 1 day ago

Huge thanks to teams of @GlasgowCC key workers out across #Dennistoun this weekend. 01:45 on Saturday morning emptying Ally Parade bins & today sorting out our household bins. Thanks for keeping our city going & helping us to #StayHome #ClapForKeyWorkers #lovelocal | #localgov

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