



Blyth Town Council

Northumberland County Council Partnership Update

25 March 2020

In line with national government advice we have reverted to a position whereby we will only be delivering **critical services** for the next three weeks. This could be extended further than three weeks depending on the latest government advice.

The critical Neighbourhood Services include: domestic waste collection, burials, cremations, fleet maintenance and a limited aspect of street cleansing. All non-essential services, including grass cutting, garden waste and bulky waste collections have been **suspended**.

All 12 of our Household Waste Recovery Centres have also been closed as of Tuesday 24 March as they were attracting large numbers of users, many of whom were simply ignoring the social distancing measures, putting themselves and others at risk. This behaviour coupled with the PM's announcement necessitated their immediate closure.

Obviously keeping ourselves, our employees and the wider public safe will continue to be our primary focus during this time.

Thank you for your understanding.