

## Alresford now has worst Covid infection rate in Hampshire; today's news and numbers,

## Tuesday November 24

## NEW cases of Covid-19 appears to slackening in <u>Winchester</u> district, except for the <u>Alresford</u> hotspot.

Whilst the Winchester district has seen its smallest increase in some time with only 14 new cases the market town is now the worst area of Hampshire with Covid increases way above the national average.

Government figures show that in the seven days to Thursday November 19 there were 45 cases, up 34 on the previous seven days, or 301.9 per cent, a rolling seven-day rate of 531.9 per 100,000 people; the previous day the equivalent figures were 41 cases, up 29, or 241.7 per cent, with a rolling seven-day rate of 484.6 people per 100,000.

That puts it higher than Waterlooville North East with a rolling number of 492.

On Sunday November 15 the Alresford figure had been 27 cases in the previous seven days, a weekly increase of 20, or 222 per cent, on the previous week, with a rolling rate of 342.7 per 100,000 people. The area around Alresford has seen a Covid spike that has seen Perins School last Wednesday become the first secondary school to close completely in central and southern Hampshire.