

NEWSLETTER JUNE 2021



SIR GRAHAM BRADY

Member of Parliament for Altrincham and Sale West

Dear all, welcome to June's newsletter,

As the slow return to normality continues, on 4th June I joined Cllr Daniel Chalkin for a tour of restaurants in Hale Village and to hear from those running businesses about their experience of the pandemic and trying to turn a profit with 'social distancing' in place.



Hale Village

Monday 7th I was on BBC Politics Live, discussing issues like footballers 'Taking the Knee' and the England cricketer Ollie Robinson who was suspended pending an investigation into tweets sent when he was a teenager.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000wvxv/politics-live-07062021>

8th June the first draft of the Boundary Review was published, recommending no changes for Altrincham and Sale West from the current boundaries. The consultation is now open for comments: <https://boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk/2023-review/north-west/>

It's important to note that in the last boundary review there were significant changes between the first and second draft...

10th June I spoke in the Aviation debate and made the case for this important industry which is an important local employer:



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There was a Travel Day of Action on 23rd June and I went to College Green to show my support for the many constituents whose livelihoods depend on Manchester Airport.



Day of Action

I asked why vaccinations are not taken into account by the UK while travelling; given that other countries do take vaccinations into account.

'My hon. Friend says that several countries accept evidence of UK vaccinations in order to facilitate travel. Why does the United Kingdom not recognise the validity of those vaccinations for international travel?'

<https://hansard.parliament.uk/Commons/2021-06-10/debates/0922563F-114D-4D63-86F5-707A8DC2B434/details#contribution-48A60DB5-8EFC-4245-B2B4-56F5DBDA8360>

I tabled the following Parliamentary Questions:

To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what assessment his Department has made of the efficacy of inhaled budesonide in reducing (a) admissions to hospital with covid-19 and (b) the progression of covid-19 from a mild to severe disease. (12070)

Jo Churchill The Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Health and Social Care

Inhaled budesonide was trialled as part of the PRINCIPLE trial platform in the United Kingdom as a treatment for [COVID-19](#) in non-hospitalised patients who are 65 years old and over or 50 years old and over with an underlying health condition. On 12 April, interim analysis from the PRINCIPLE trial revealed that inhaled budesonide reduced the time to self-reported recovery by a median of three days. However, the full analysis is currently underway to understand the full benefit of this treatment. Clinical guidance has been issued for clinicians to consider prescribing inhaled budesonide on a case-by-case basis, but inhaled budesonide is not currently recommended as the standard of care in the [UK](#). The Department will continue to monitor the results as more detailed data and analysis from the trial becomes available and stand ready to adjust guidance should this be appropriate.

To ask the [Secretary of State](#) for Health and Social Care, how many and what proportion of (a) hospital admissions with covid-19 and (b) intensive care admissions of patients with covid-19 had previously been diagnosed with asthma in the most recent period for which figures are available.

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[Jo Churchill](#) The Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Health and Social Care

Many cases of asthma will be diagnosed and managed in a primary care setting. Primary care data is not currently linked to the data collected by the [National Health Service](#) for hospital admissions.

This is very important information, that a cheap, widely available medication might have a significant effect in reducing illness for people with COVID.



On 10th I was 'In The Hot Seat' with Conservative Voice:

<https://conservativevoice.co.uk/events/in-the-hotseat-qa-with-sir-graham-brady-mp/>

I wrote an article for the Mail on Sunday in which I asked that people be treated like grown - ups



Mail on Sunday article <https://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-9680137/SIR-GRAHAM-BRADY-no-excuse-delay-liberty.html>

I had some success increasing numbers allowed to take part in residential activities for young people after I was approached by a constituent:

[Youth movements lobbied for increase in residential camp numbers](#)

Jewish Chronicle

... Hancock announced the rise from six to 30, thanking Tory MP Sir **Graham Brady**, who had raised the issue on behalf of Jewish youth movements.

My intervention in the Commons calling for greater accuracy and transparency:

Covid-19 Update (14 Jun 2021)

<https://www.theyworkforyou.com/debates/?id=2021-06-14a.75.0&s=speaker%3A10062#g83.0>

Graham Brady: Can my right hon. Friend confirm that many of those who are going to hospital now with covid are staying in hospital for a far shorter period than was the case earlier in the pandemic? Will he break down those figures for us? Will he also publish figures showing the breakdown between those who present in hospital for other reasons but subsequently test positive and those presenting with covid?

Matt Hancock

Yes, I am very happy to seek to publish all those data. The latter data, I think, are published already. On the former data, the best estimate I have is that the average length of stay for somebody in hospital owing to covid has fallen from 10 days to eight days, so it has fallen to a degree, but not a huge degree. That is partly because of treatments, but it is also partly because some of the people in hospital have had at least one dose of the vaccine, which is highly likely to have reduced the severity of the disease. In the 10 most affected hospital trusts, on average, the number of people going to hospital who have had both doses is under 20%. A further approximately 20% of people have had one dose. The remainder—the majority—are people who have not been vaccinated at all.

14th June I was one of the first MPs to appear on Andrew Neil's GB News, interviewed by Liam Halligan and Gloria De Piero:



<https://www.gbnews.uk/>

You can find the channel on Freeview channel 236

Other media appearances:

North West Tonight:

Iain Dale on LBC: <https://www.lbc.co.uk/>

16th June I spoke to Paddy Hannan at spiked online, link follows:

<https://www.spiked-online.com/2021/06/16/the-government-should-not-have-the-right-to-control-what-we-can-and-cant-do/>

22nd June Victoria and I went to a socially distanced Wembley to cheer on England as they overcame Czech Republic – it seems to be going well so far!



England v Czech Republic

I Visited a fascinating local business: InFex Therapeutics in Alderley Park.



With Dr Kath McKay, Director Alderley Park; Peter Jackson InFex Therapeutics

The organisation, which focused on Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR), is taking its proven drug development model and its expertise and putting them to work in the wider infectious

disease sector. The battle against anti-biotic resistant microbes may end up being massively more important to humanity than the efforts to tackle COVID.

That's all from me for now, I'll be back with more news next month.

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Graham Brady'. The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Sir Graham Brady MP