



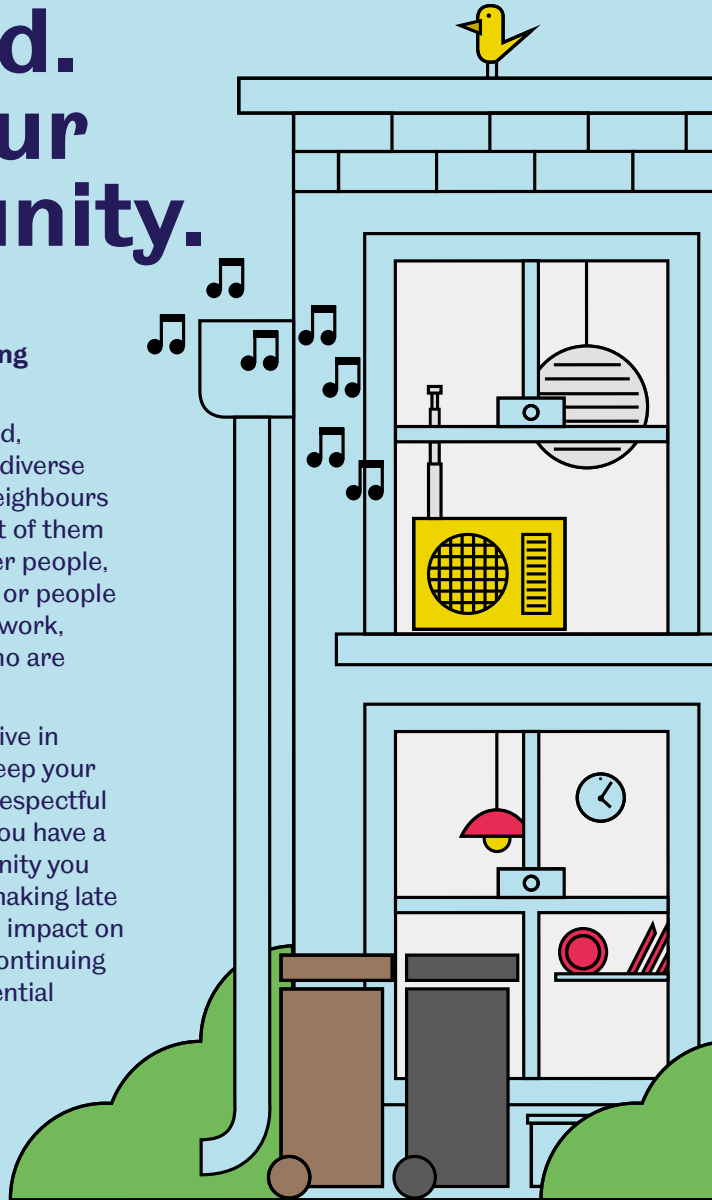
The  
University  
Of  
Sheffield.

# Love Sheffield. Love Your Community.

## Guidance for students living in the local community.

As a student living in Sheffield, you're part of a brilliant and diverse community. Some of your neighbours will be students too, but a lot of them won't be. They might be older people, families with young children or people who need to be up early for work, as well as fellow students who are studying hard.

Wherever you've chosen to live in Sheffield, it's important to keep your neighbours in mind and be respectful to those living around you. You have a responsibility to the community you live in; this means avoiding making late night noise, having a positive impact on the local environment and continuing to be mindful about the potential spread of Covid-19.



# Welcome To Your New Community

## Covid-19

It is still important that we all do what we can to prevent the spread of Covid-19 to keep our communities safe.

When meeting friends, let fresh air in or meet outdoors where possible. The government expects and recommends that people wear face coverings in crowded areas such as public transport and shops. Be respectful of others' decision to wear face coverings in other settings.

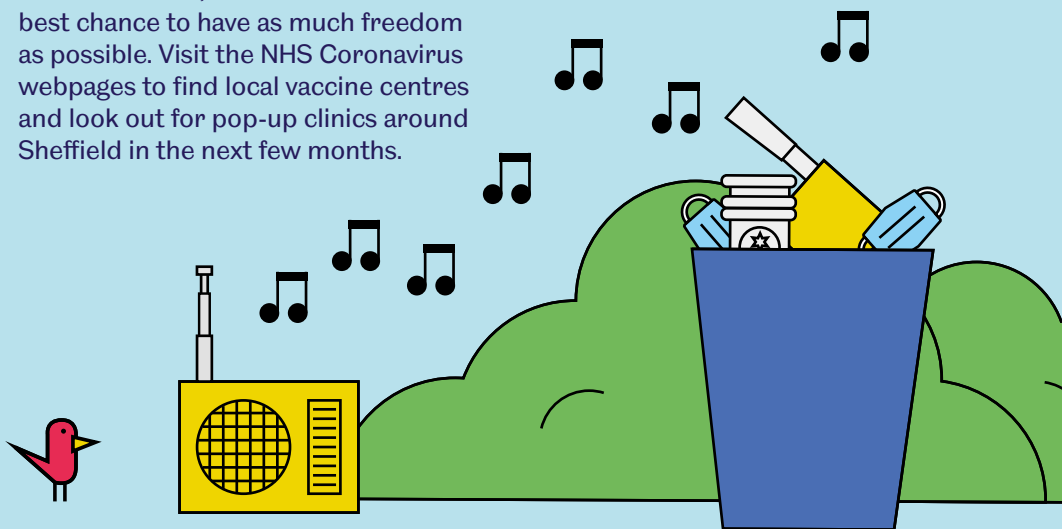
Every student is expected to take two rapid lateral flow tests per week. This can either be done at our on-campus test centre, or using at-home test kits. If you develop Covid-19 symptoms, get a PCR test and self-isolate - however mild your symptoms.

Getting vaccinated against Covid-19 is not only important in keeping ourselves and others safe, but also allows for the best chance to have as much freedom as possible. Visit the NHS Coronavirus webpages to find local vaccine centres and look out for pop-up clinics around Sheffield in the next few months.

## Keep the noise down

You live in a mixed community made up of people with lifestyles and commitments. When at home, avoid playing music too loudly or too late, particularly on weeknights, and keep noise to a minimum if you're coming home from a night out.

The University's 24/7 security helpline (0114 222 4085) is available for local residents and students who are being disturbed by noise or other anti-social behaviour, and serious incidents may be referred to the police. The University can take disciplinary action against households who cause serious or repeat incidents of noise or anti-social behaviour. Please help us to maintain good relationships with our local communities by being good neighbours.



## Take responsibility for waste

In Sheffield, each house should have three bins:

- blue bin (for paper and card)
- brown bin (for glass, tin and plastic bottles)
- black bin (for general rubbish)

Put your bins at the kerbside after 6pm on the day before the scheduled collection and make sure you bring it back to your property no later than 11am the next day. Bins repeatedly left on the street could lead to a fixed penalty of £100.

Only bins will be emptied, so don't leave other waste on the street as this will not be taken and you could be prosecuted for fly-tipping.

To find your bin day, or to order replacement bins, visit:

**[www.sheffield.gov.uk/binsandrecycling](http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/binsandrecycling)**

## Keep your area tidy

While living in your student house, it is your responsibility to ensure it remains clean and tidy. Pick up any litter that blows into your garden and make sure you report overgrown bushes and hedges to your landlord to get them trimmed.

If you want to report litter, fly-tipping or any other street problems visit **[www.fixmystreet.com](http://www.fixmystreet.com)** or download the Fix My Street app and help keep your neighbourhood clean and tidy.

## Be security conscious

We know that thieves target student properties, particularly during holiday periods. Always lock doors and windows and set an alarm if one is connected. Mark property with a postcode using an ultraviolet pen.

You can also register your possessions on the national property database at **[www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com)**. This database is used by police to identify and return stolen property, as well as helping to combat the sale of stolen property and simplify insurance claims.

## Get involved

At the University of Sheffield we know how important it is to be active in your community, and that's why we support the involvement of our students and staff every step of the way. Sheffield Volunteering and Sheffield Raising and Giving (RAG) aim to increase awareness of local issues amongst students and provide opportunities to volunteer with local organisations or create and run your own projects. Through leadership and peer-to-peer mentoring, volunteers develop experience, skills and employability, and it's a fantastic way to make new friendships and make a positive difference to your community.

To find out more and see what opportunities are currently available visit **[www.sheffieldvolunteering.com](http://www.sheffieldvolunteering.com)** and **[www.sheffieldrag.com](http://www.sheffieldrag.com)**.

This leaflet has been sent to all properties in areas with a high proportion of student residents from The University of Sheffield.





**For more information,  
please contact:**  
James Merryclough  
Sustainability &  
Communications Manager  
[j.merryclough@sheffield.ac.uk](mailto:j.merryclough@sheffield.ac.uk)