

Dear Patient

## COVID-19 Vaccination Appointment

Your COVID-19 Vaccination appointment will take place at:

### **Hazel Grove Baptist Church, Station Street, Hazel Grove, SK7 4EX**

If you are driving please park in Hazel Grove Railway Station Car Park, which is opposite the Church. If you use a wheelchair please bring it with you. Please see map overleaf.

**Please arrive on time – if you come early please wait in your car until 5 minutes before your appointment to avoid unnecessary queuing.**

Please ensure that you are wearing face mask / covering when you arrive, and maintain social distancing and hand sanitising for the protection of others.

We hope that the whole process will be less than 30 minutes, of which 15 minutes will be to observe post-vaccination that you have not suffered an adverse reaction to the vaccine.

We are unable to book the second dose yet, but we expect this to be at the beginning of April 2021.

Thank you, and stay safe.

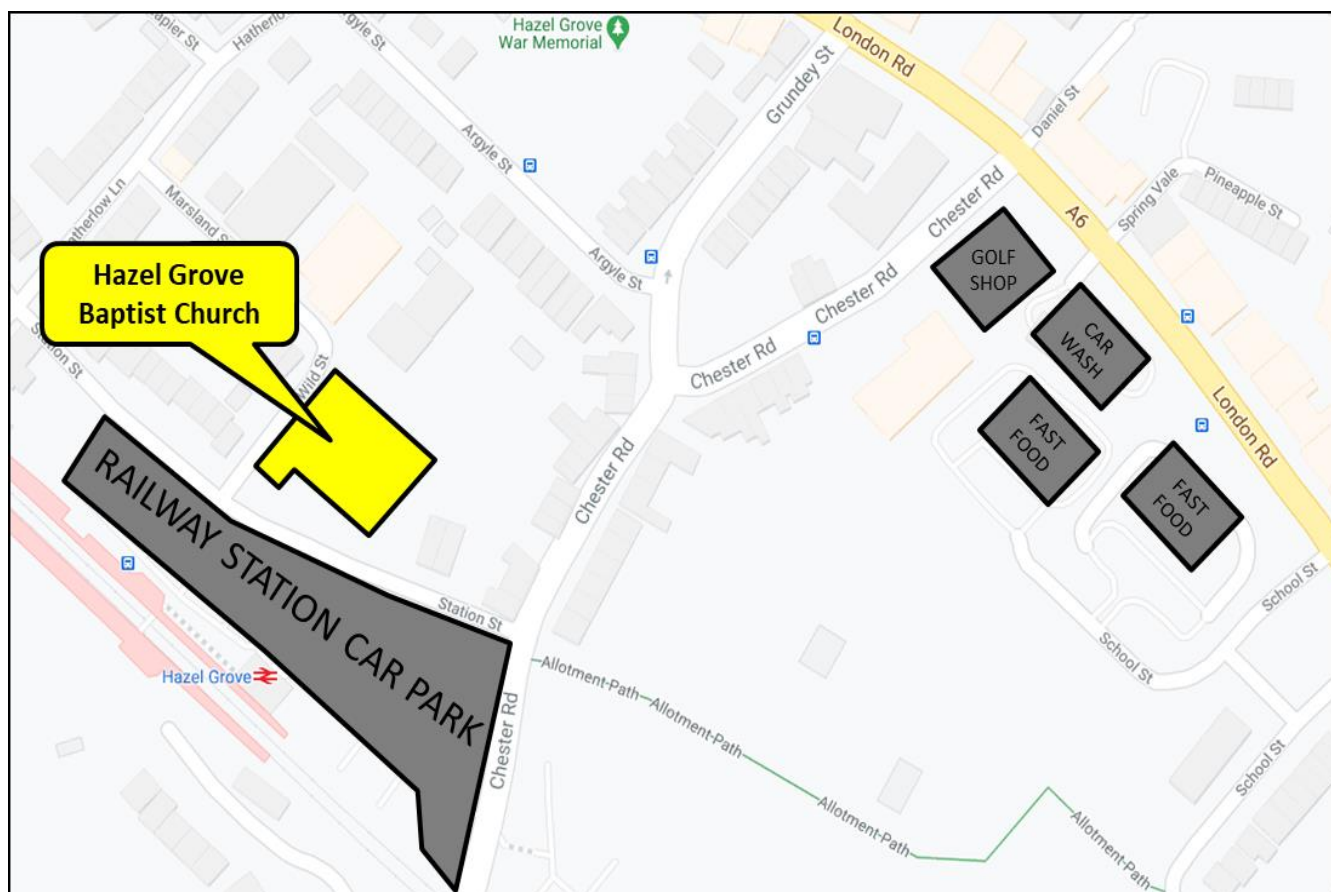
Yours sincerely



Dr Andrew Johnson



Dr Maher Al-Ausi



## **Who should have the COVID-19 vaccines?**

The Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI), an independent expert group, has recommended that the NHS offers these vaccines first to those at highest risk of catching the infection and of suffering serious complications if they catch the infection.

## **Will the vaccine have side effects?**

Like all medicines, vaccines can cause side effects. Most of these are mild and short-term, and not everyone gets them. Even if you do have symptoms after the first dose, you still need to have the second dose. Although you may get some protection from the first dose, having the second dose will give you the best protection against the virus.

### **Very common side effects include:**

- having a painful, heavy feeling and tenderness in the arm where you had your injection. This tends to be worst around 1-2 days after the vaccine
- feeling tired
- headache
- general aches, or mild flu like symptoms

Although feeling feverish is not uncommon for two to three days, a high temperature is unusual and may indicate you have COVID-19 or another infection. You can rest and take the normal dose of paracetamol (follow the advice in the packaging) to help you feel better.

Symptoms following vaccination normally last less than a week. If your symptoms seem to get worse or if you are concerned, call NHS 111.

## **What do I do next?**

After you have had the first dose you need to plan to attend your second appointment. You will be contacted to arrange an appointment between 10 to 12 weeks after your first dose.

It is important to have both doses of the vaccine to give you the best protection.