Breaking News (30/06/2020)

Key points from the newly released statement from the Premier this afternoon:

As a result of genomic testing, the Chief Health Officer has today advised the Government that a number of our cases through late May and early June can be linked to an infection control breach in the hotel quarantine program. An inquiry has been established, led by a former judge, into the operation of the hotel quarantine program. The inquiry will report in eight to ten weeks.

The Preimer also asked the Prime Minister to divert flights to other cities for the next two weeks while Victoria reset the program under the supervision of Corrections Victoria.

Too many people are still going out when they're sick. Too many people are ignoring rules about physical distancing and pretending restrictions don't matter. Yet still, somehow, more than a thousand people, when asked, refused to be tested. It shows that still, somehow, too many people are not taking this seriously.

A return to tougher restrictions is unavoidable.

From 11:59pm tomorrow night, until at least 29 July, postcodes linked to these outbreaks will go into local lockdown. For now, that includes the following:

- 3012 Brooklyn, Kingsville, Maidstone, Tottenham, West Footscray
- 3021 Albanvale, Kealba, Kings Park, St Albans
- 3032 Ascot Vale, Highpoint City, Maribyrnong, Travancore
- 3038 Keilor Downs, Keilor Lodge, Taylors Lakes, Watergardens
- 3042 Airport West, Keilor Park, Niddrie, Niddrie North
- 3046 Glenroy, Hadfield, Oak Park
- 3047 Broadmeadows, Dallas, Jacana
- 3055 Brunswick South, Brunswick West, Moonee Vale, Moreland West
- 3060 Fawkner
- 3064 Craigieburn, Donnybrook, Kalkallo, Mickleham, Roxburgh Park

There will again only be four reasons to be out and should do these things as close to home as you can. These four reasons also apply to those do need to leave the restricted postcodes. The four reasons are:

- 1. Shopping for food and supplies,
- 2. care and caregiving,
- 3. exercise,
- 4. and study or work if you can't do it from home.

Based on the advice of the Chief Health Officer, schools will be expected to return as planned from 13 July.

For those families who live in these locations but have already left for their holidays – you can continue as you'd planned. But when you come home, these restrictions will apply.

For everyone outside these zones: please, be smart, be safe and pay attention to the directions.

Restricted Postcodes

Following analysis of testing results over the past two weeks including the surge in tests over the past 5 days as part of the Suburban Testing Blitz, the following postcodes have been identified as postcodes of concern and requiring additional restrictions.

Postcode	Suburbs
3012	Brooklyn, Kingsville, Maidstone, Tottenham, West Footscray
3021	Albanvale, Kealba, Kings Park, St Albans
3032	Ascot Vale, Highpoint City, Maribyrnong, Travancore
3038	Keilor Downs, Keilor Lodge, Taylors Lakes, Watergardens
3042	Airport West, Keilor Park, Niddrie
3046	Glenroy, Hadfield, Oak Park
3047	Broadmeadows, Dallas , Jacana

3055	Brunswick south, Brunswick west, Moonee vale, Moreland west
3060	Fawkner
3064	Craigieburn, Donnybrook, Mickelham, Roxburgh Park, Kalkallo

These postcodes will return to Stage 3 Restrictions at least until 29 July.

The criteria established by the public health team to determine areas with high rates of transmission that required additional containment was:

STEP 1: Identify priority LGA with more than 2x to state case rate

STEP 2: Review all postcodes within this LGA

STEP 3: Identify priority suburbs with more than five cases AND rate greater than 20 per 100,000

This gives:

3038, 3064, 3047, 3060 (>50 rate)

3012, 3032, 3055, 3042 (>30 rate)

3021, 3046 (>20 rate)