

Media Release

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Positive case update

On Saturday 29 May, we announced that a new case of COVID-19 had been detected in the Bailiwick.

At the time of the announcement initial investigations had occurred. Contact tracing continued over the bank holiday weekend and further details are now available. A small number of people have been identified as close contacts of the positive case and have been placed into compulsory self-isolation with testing to occur at intervals through the isolation period as standard. Other low risk contacts have been tested and will have further tests as a precaution.

The positive case was an incoming traveller who arrived in the Island from a Category 2 area and received a negative test result from their day 1 swab at the port. During the first week of passive follow-up the person developed COVID-like symptoms and came forward for testing.

The risk of individuals travelling to the Bailiwick and developing a COVID-19 infection once here was a clearly identified risk in the Bailiwick Blueprint which detailed our exit from lockdown and our move towards living responsibly with COVID-19. The identification of this case provides a reminder for our community that we need to continue to practice good hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette, attend for COVID-19 vaccination without delay when called, seek testing if you have any symptoms of COVID-19 (however mild) and stay at home if you are unwell.