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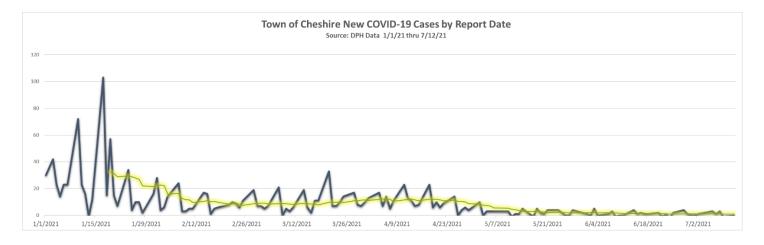
FROM: Sean M. Kimball, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Town Manager's Report – July 2021

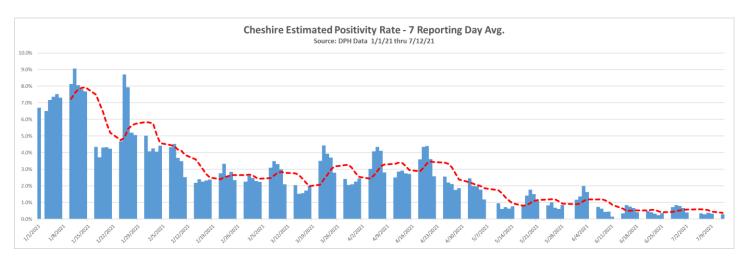
DATE: July 13, 2021

COVID-19 Pandemic Data

The rate of new COVID-19 cases in Cheshire has declined steadily since April. As shown on the chart below, the total number of additional positive cases per reporting day remains significantly lower than the peak experienced in January. The yellow line represents a moving 14-day average of daily new cases. DPH has reported a total of 8 new cases in Cheshire over the past 14 days.

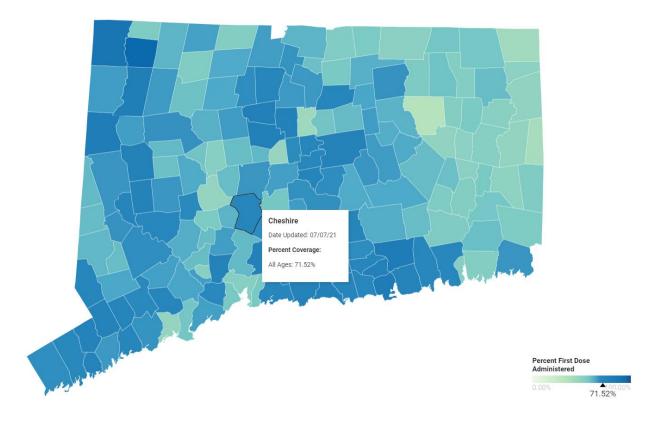


Our local positivity rate over the past seven DPH reporting days stands at 0.3% (5 positives over 7 reporting days in Cheshire out of 1,718 tests):



To date, 71.52% of all Cheshire residents have received at least one vaccination dose.

Percent of Population All Ages Who Have Received at Least One Dose of COVID-19 Vaccination



Ion Bank Cheshire Half Marathon/5K

The 2021 Ion Bank Half Marathon & 5K will be held this Sunday, July 18th beginning at 8:00 AM. Town staff and public safety officials met with race organizers to review a number of safety modifications that they will be implementing this year as a result of COVID and the possible heat this time of year. Significantly, there will be no Kids Fun Run race this year or post-race kids activities. Organizers expect participant levels will be about half of pre-pandemic levels, or about 1,000-1,200 runners.

2021 Cheshire Fall Festival

The Cheshire Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Cheshire are pleased to be bringing back the incredibly popular Cheshire Fall Festival for 2021. The 33rd Cheshire Fall Festival will be held Friday and Saturday, September 10th and 11th at Bartlem Park. As in past years, this event brings our entire community together to support our local businesses, crafters, farms, orchards, and local non-profits. The celebration begins with Food Truck Friday, followed by festival day on Saturday with booths with local vendors and organizations, a car show, musical performances, incredible fireworks and much, much more.

This year's event will also include a very special memorial recognition of the 20th Anniversary of September 11, 2001. A ceremony with bagpipers and moment of silence is scheduled to be held at 12:00 noon on Saturday.

Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament

The Cheshire Chamber of Commerce will be holding its annual golf tournament on Tuesday, July 20, 2021, from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm at Wallingford Country Club (195 Long Hill Road, Wallingford, CT). Proceeds fund on-going Chamber activities, including scholarships for CHS Seniors. To register or for more information, visit www.cheshirechamber.org.

Back to School Support Group

This August, Cheshire Human Services is offering support in the post-pandemic transition for middle and high school students. The program will be split between student and parent support groups and will consist of 4 sessions per group. The sessions will focus on managing stress and anxiety, building coping and distress tolerance skills, establishing an effective back to school routine, and more. To register or for more information, Cheshire Human Services can be reached at (203) 271-6690 or at CheshireHumanServices@cheshirect.org. The registration deadline is July 26, 2021. See below for dates and times.

Middle school students: August 3, 10, 17, and 24th from 4:30 to 5:30 pm Middle school parents: August 5, 12, 19, and 26th from 6:00 to 7:00 pm August 5, 12, 19, and 26th from 4:30 to 5:30 pm August 5, 12, 19, and 26th from 4:30 to 5:30 pm August 3, 10, 17, and 24th from 6:00 to 7:00 pm

Bartlem Beats Summer Concert Series

As a reminder, all Fridays in August will have summer concerts at Bartlem Park, with rain dates the following Tuesday for each.

August 6 - AM Gold (Yacht Rock)

August 13 - Jason Ingriselli and the Miles North Band (Country)

August 20 - Heavy Hitters (Women of Rock)

August 27 - Capricorn with Bill Calabrese (Allman Brothers Tribute)

Upcoming Town Council & Sub-Committee Meetings

Ordinance Review Committee

July 22, 2021 - 6:30 pm

Town Council Special Meeting – School Modernization

July 28, 2021 - 6:30 pm

Capital Expenditure Plan Workshop

July 29, 2021 – 6:30 pm

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August 9, 2021 - 6:30 pm

Town Council Regular Meeting

August 10, 2021 - 7:00 pm