Distributing Leaflets

We are advising that all Area Coordinators (or Street Representatives depending on how you structure your local group) should leaflet the entire area. We have a template leaflet you can use which can be found in the Resources section of the website or under 'Files' on Facebook. This process should pick up the majority of your local households. You can then work with the people on your street (gathered via the leaflet drop) in order to identify any missing and/or vulnerable households. Finally, you may need to put an additional note through any houses that are not accounted for in order to cover all your bases.

There is some controversy over whether or not the virus can be spread via paper, however, given the degree of uncertainty we believe it is best to err on the side of caution.

Avoiding spreading the virus

GIVING SUPPORT: Area Coordinators and volunteers must **PRIORITISE SAFETY.** Community care is about preventing the spread of Covid-19 and providing support for the most vulnerable. **All groups should follow Queercare's guidelines on how to support others without spreading the infection**.
LEAFLETING

Printing:

- Wash your hands thoroughly before taking leaflets out of the printer and put the leaflets directly into a 1iploc bag (a small pile up to about 40).
- Don't stockpile excess leaflets.

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It is important to follow safety guidelines when distributing leaflets to ensure that as far as possible we are not exposing people to the virus and putting anyone at more harm. Here are some guidelines that everyone distributing leaflets should follow. You should not do this if you are ill at all.

- Do not leaflet if you are unwell at all, even if you're only experiencing mild symptoms.
- Leaflets should be stored in smaller piles within ziploc bags
- Listen to social distancing guidelines and don't leaflet in large groups. When leafleting in small groups, avoid physical contacts or exchanging resources.
- Make sure to wash your hands well before starting leafleting and use hand sanitiser if you are able to at regular intervals.
- Only one person should handle leaflets from each ziplocked pack, putting them directly from the bag through the door for each house and minimising contact as far as possible
- Make sure to wash your hands after you are finished too

Distributing Posters
Posters can be put up around the local area to spread awareness. Some ideas of places to put them are:

- Shop and cafe windows and noticeboards (ask for permission!)

- Community noticeboards (try religious centres, libraries, community centres, blocks of flats)

For further guidance documents please visit www.henleymutualaid.org.uk