

Londoners divided as Johnson drops Covid rules in England

Londoners have mixed views on an easing of coronavirus restrictions last week Wednesday (19 January 2022) after British Prime Minister, Boris Johnson dropped Covid-19 measures introduced to curb the rapid spread of the Omicron variant in England.



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Johnson's light-touch approach to dealing with the highly transmissible Omicron variant saw him introduce work-at-home advice, more mask-wearing and vaccine passes to slow its spread, stopping short of more onerous restrictions seen globally.

Trader Quren Thal felt the easing has come too soon and suggested waiting until the summer months would have been a safer option.

"I think it is a little bit too early because cases are still very high and you don't know what is going to happen," Thal said.

Others felt it was time to learn to live with the virus and welcomed Johnson lifting the restrictions.

"It is about time we got on with our lives I think, because the variants are getting weaker and weaker," construction worker, Kevin Murphy said.

Johnson said that none of the so-called Plan B measures would remain in England, as face masks would not be legally enforced anywhere, Covid passes would not be mandatory and advice to work from home would end.

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