The post-Covid roadmap approaches from the local authorities

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What lies behind us and what lies ahead of us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us

Ralph Waldo Emerson



LET'S TALK NUMBERS THE ECONOMIST SAID

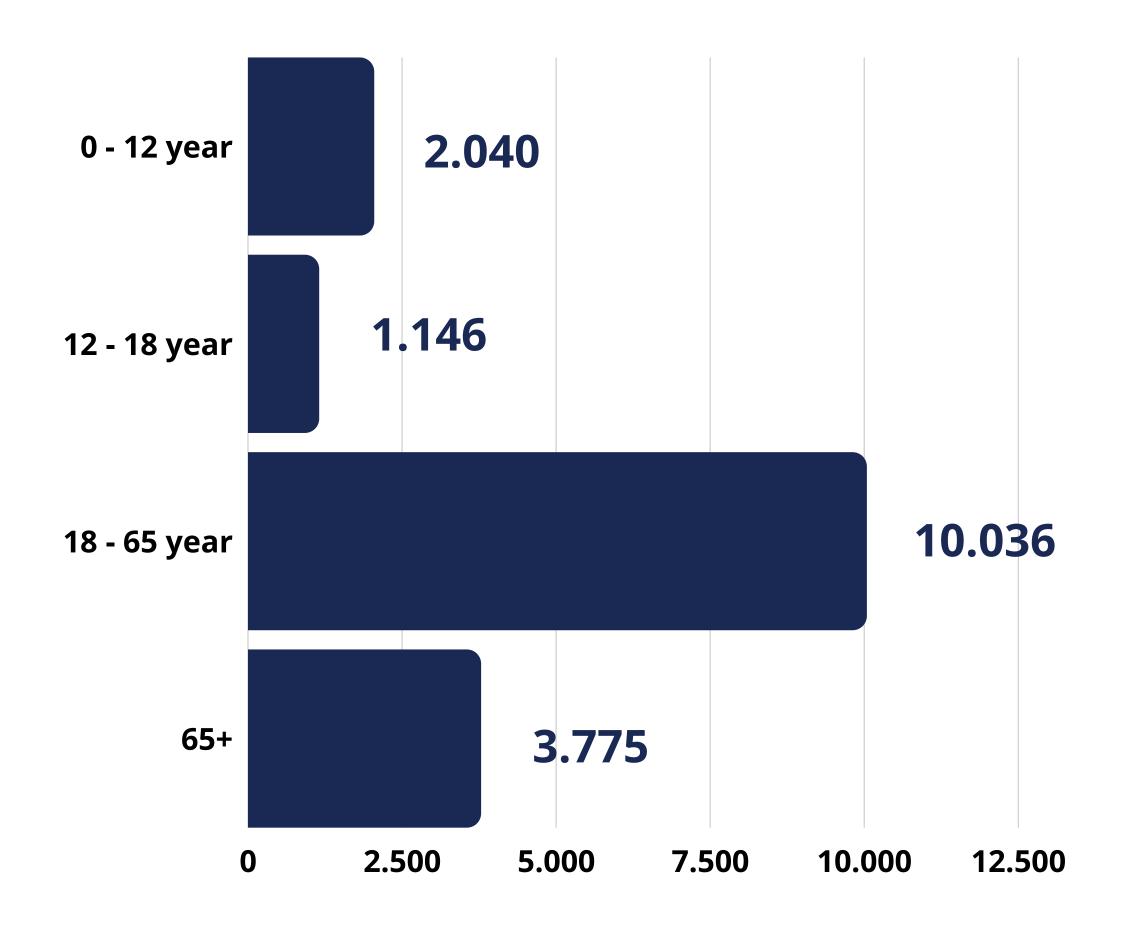




+/- 15.000 HA 1 city center 14 villages

Diksmuide . Stuivekenskerke Esen. Woumen. Keiem. Beerst, Kaaskerke, Leke. Sint-Jacobskapelle. Vladslo. Nieuwkapelle. Oostkerke. Lampernisse. Oudekapelle. Pervijze





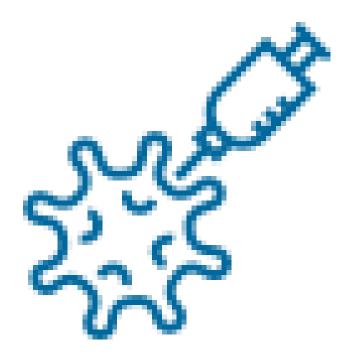


3.923 Businesses

- TOURISM
- AGRICULTURE
- SME
- RETAIL
- LIBERAL PROFESSIONS
- SMALL TRADE ZONE
- INDUSTRY







FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Pandemic law Measures

GOVERNOR

Emergency planning on provincial level

Agency care and health (AZG) Central coordination Follow up vaccinations



REGIONAL

FIRST CARE ZONE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

87,79% vaccinated all ages 95,8% vaccinated adults 36.909 and counting injections 122 days and counting 195 volunteers

HOW DID WE APPROACH THIS CRISIS?



HEALTHCARE

Support and locale care Vaccinationstrategy Test centre for covid detection Communication Medical / protective materials / face masks Transport for people with reduced mobility



BUSINESS SUPPORT

Inform and support Encourage purchasing power Lower corporate taxes (9/12) Consumption coupon



PUBLIC SERVICES

Stay available Chance our services Helpdesk Administration Structural city work

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Social calls

It always seems impossible until it's done

Nelson Mandela



Support for associations Guidelines **Double subvention**

MENTAL HEALTH

Small (adapted) open air events

Postpone main events

Collection box city walks

In house psychologist

The vicious circle that we have to break through



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Recovering from overload Learning Lack of manpower Need of psychological assistance



MENTAL CARE

Depressions and dejections Burnouts Lack of social life Resume postponed events (Feniks)

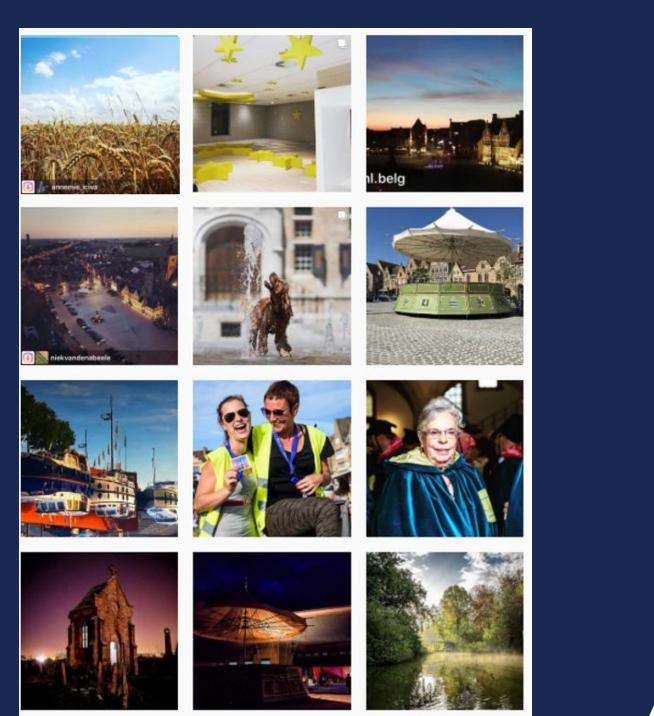




FINANCIAL CARE

Poverty Business struggles Life had become expensive

THE FUTURE AHEAD OF US



PEOPLE

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BUSINESS AND FINANCES

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HEALTHCARE

Keep investing in healthcare and research Make jobs in the sector attractive Be aware of possible threats Importance of local (medical) care See opportunities for medical services (outpatient clinic)

Bring people together Attention for mental and social care Inform, provide and invest in people Small esteemed events Resume big events and traditions

Invest Attention for a future for young people Let the economy grow again Impuls for start ups



THANK YOU

Let's talk about providing essentials services