**Councils Can Day Template Press Release**

[insert council] will be taking part in the Local Government Association’s second #CouncilsCan Day – an online celebration to highlight the critical work of local government during the coronavirus pandemic.

Since the outbreak of COVID-19, [insert council name] has worked tirelessly to keep services running during this crisis and support residents and businesses. This includes:

* [list key achievements]
* xxxxx
* xxxxx

Councillors and officers from [insert council name] will be taking part in the national social media campaign on Tuesday 10 November to promote ongoing council efforts to lead communities through this crisis and beyond.

[Spokesperson] said:

“xxxxx”

Cllr Peter Fleming, Chairman of the LGA’s Improvement and Innovation Board, said:

“In this time of national crisis, it is council staff who have kept our communities running and provided crucial local leadership.

“While showcasing this vital and fantastic work, the LGA will be using the #CouncilsCan Day to highlight that councils can have an even greater impact on the health and wealth of our country with proper and sustainable funding.”

For more information, visit [www.local.gov.uk/councilscan-day](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/XIhKCj2J6sj46GMCWlKQU) and follow the hashtag [#CouncilsCan](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/oWeiCk5MXUnyLX6sVWDdI) on the day.