

Risk Assessment for the return to Face-to-Face Meetings

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Please note that in assessing risk, consideration should be given to the likelihood of the occurrence and the effect it would have.

Reviews of risks will be held a minimum of once yearly or whenever there is an envisaged change in responsibility.

Symptoms of COVID-19

If anyone has COVID symptoms with a new continuous cough or a high temperature, then they should be advised not to attend until after a safe quarantine period has elapsed.

This following Risk Assessment has been posted on our Website.



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What are the Hazards?	Who might be harmed	Controls Required	Action by who?
The	Council staff	Guidance	
spreading of	Councillors		A.H. A.L. 1
Covid-19 Coronavirus	MOP NEH Staff	All attendees should be checking the UK Government website periodically to check the latest guidance.	All Attendees
coronavirus	NEH Customers	periodically to check the latest guidance.	
		Lateral Flow Tests	
		They are available locally and also from the following website: <u>https://www.gov.uk/find-covid-19- lateral-flow-test-site/</u>	All Attendees
		Hand Washing	
		Hand washing facilities to be available with soap and water are in place in the public conveniences.	NEH
		All attendees to be reminded of the importance of stringent hand washing procedures.	Clerk
		See hand washing guidance:	All Attendees
		https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your - hands/	
		Drying of hands	All Attendees
		It is recommended to use disposable paper towels, and these are	
		available at the NEH.	
		All attendees to be reminded to use Gel sanitisers, which are placed in the meeting room and the conveniences.	All Attendees
		Cleaning Frequently	



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It has been confirmed with the NEH management that the meeting room has been been cleaned & disinfected before our arrival to include, furniture and other objects, surfaces, door & window handles and light switches, using appropriate cleaning products and methods. All reception and conveniences are also cleaned thoroughly at regular intervals.	Clerk NEH
Social Distancing	
To be mindful of the number of persons in the meeting room; it must comply with the current legislation and adhering to the Government advice regarding the number of people allowed in the meeting room at any one time. This risk Assessment was carried out earlier today and was approved as safe to proceed.	Clerk Chairman NEH Manager
Reducing the duration of the meeting by prioritizing only urgent/important items for inclusion.	Clerk Councillors
Social distancing guidelines apply to all parts of the venue, not just the area where attendees are meeting. This includes entrances and exits, toilets etc.	All Attendees NEH
Wearing of Masks	
During this assessment it has been identified that wearing of masks is an essential requirement (unless medically exempt) and the mask must cover both your mouth and nose.	All Attendees
Attendees are reminded to remove masks carefully and to dispose of	All Attendees



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them carefully and safely to reduce contamination.	
Ventilation	All Attendees NEH
When selecting these meeting facilities, specific care has been exercised to ensure that the room can be ventilated by the opening of the windows and doors.	
Attendees Meetings	
The meeting should only be attended by those who need to attend, and the length of the meeting should be restricted to ensure that the meeting is kept to a minimum duration.	Clerk NEH
Consider the layout of the meeting room to reduce the number of attendees being face to face.	
The sharing of pens, documents and other objects should be avoided, this includes water jus and glasses.	Clerk Councillors
Attendees to be reminded that wearing of masks does not prevent people from contracting COVID but is a measure to reduce the risk.	Clerk