

Covid-19 Return to work /School Checklist & Risk Assessment

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Introduction

This Toolkit contains tools that are intended to plan and support your services next steps now that lockdown measures are easing that will keep people safe from the risk of COVID-19 when returning to work. The tools have been created using the latest advice from the Scottish Government, NHS Inform and Health Protection Scotland.

Scotland's Route Map published by the Scottish Government sets out the phases by which Scotland will aim to ease lockdown. Further Guidance will be issued and at the moment the advice is clear that where possible work should be undertaken from home. A phased approach is being taken to vary restrictions moving from Phase 1-4. Currently, if it is not possible to undertake work from home and activities are considered essential, you can continue to work but should assess your activities in line with the latest COVID-19 prevention methods.

Services need to plan now for this phased return to the workplace over what could be prolonged periods. The guiding principle should be how we take care of people, our staff and our community and safeguard their health and well-being.

Please note all information in this pack is correct as of May 2020.

Where do you start?

There is a lot of information out there regarding COVID-19 and details change daily. Trying to stay on top of the information is challenging and it is important to pay attention to information circulated by the Council. The Toolkit is structured to provide a logical thought process to follow:

Step 1 – Complete the COVID-19 Inspection Checklist

The inspection form will ask you to consider:

- Employees, social distancing and the impact of returning to work
- Travel, Access & Egress
- Cleaning and Hygiene Practices
- Building Safety

The completed Inspection Checklist will allow you to identify gaps where additional measures may need to be put in place. These are recorded in the Action Summary to enable you to focus on these areas as you complete the Risk Assessment.

Step 2 – Use the findings from your completed Inspection Checklist to complete the COVID-19 Risk Assessment

The risk assessment is setup with the same four topics as the inspection form but goes into more detail on how you intend to mitigate the risk of each identified hazard. The information contained within this document is generic and you must tailor the document so it is relevant to your service/workplace.. There is a resource list that will allow you to quickly find the information you need from the relevant source. Firstly, consider the controls that are already in place. Record these as 'Existing' and then determine if they adequately control the risk.

Step 3 –Control Measures

If existing controls do not adequately control the risk, or there are no existing controls, you must develop additional measures. Completing the risk assessment will enable you to identify of the range of different measures that you now need to implement. This is the time to evaluate the practicality of implementing each measure and determine how to take the necessary steps to ensure they are in



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place ready for your return to work. These are recorded as 'Proposed' until they have been implemented.

Step 4 – Communication

Communication is key and there is a lot of change that staff need to digest and consider before returning to work. Continuous communication throughout this process will demonstrate that you are putting your staff's safety at the heart of this decision. It is important to work closely with HR including health and safety in developing these plans. Communicate the practical measures being taken to staff on a regular basis to help reassure them that their health and safety is a priority. The Council's Safety Forums and Central Safety Consultative Committee have an important role to play. Make sure that employees are clear about what rules and procedures they should following in the workplace. Putting in place a re-orientation or re-induction process for returning staff is vital.

Step 5 – Review

The information around COVID-19 changes on a frequent basis and you will need to monitor the latest advice for any changes that could impact your Service. There is a library of useful links that can be monitored for the latest information available on the intranet Covid-19 pages.

Latest Government and NHS Advice

Latest Government Social Distancing Information

Guidance for Employers & Businesses on COVID-19

Guidance on shielding and protecting people defined on medical grounds as extremely vulnerable

Coronavirus Business and Social Distancing Guidelines

NHS COVID-19 Latest Information

Scotland Route map through and out of the crisis

Coronavirus (COVID-19): test, trace, isolate, support strategy

A guide for transport operators in Scotland to keep their staff and those using their services safe

Coronavirus (COVID-19): reopening schools guide

Core COVID-19 Information and Guidance for General (Non-Healthcare) Settings



COVID-19 Health & Safety Inspection Checklist

The current COVID-19 coronavirus outbreak poses a serious risk to individuals and organisations. This Inspection Checklist assists in identifying the control measures to consider to reduce the risk of workplace infections and as part of a proactive monitoring regime. It can be used to check that preventative and protective control measures are implemented in line with current health and safety general duties.

School: BELL'S BRAE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Address: GILBERTSON ROAD, LERWICK

Service: CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Inspection Undertaken by: JULIA MCGINLAY, CHERYL SIMPSON & FRANCES TAIT, JENNIFER WADLEY

Reported to for Approval: ROBIN CALDER & FIONA JOHNSON & TRADE UNIONS

No of issues not closed out	No of issues that are repeated	
from previous inspection	rom previous report	

Findings of Inspection

Level of compliance should be included in report using a Rag Rating - Green – Full compliance (no action required), Amber - Partial compliance (remedial action recommended), Red – No compliance (action required)

A: Staff – Consider what impact returning to work would have on your staff and how to keep them safe.

No	Issues	Y/N/ NA	Rating R/A/G	Comments
1.	Has a risk assessment been undertaken for those who have a self-declared health condition which could increase their risk profile?	Y	Amber	These have been completed for staff. Further conversations will be held with any staff who fall into this category prior to their return to work next week using the staff questionnaire and Occupational Risk Assessment to ensure that no one is placed in an unsuitable working environment.
2.	Are you tracking people who have been identified as high risk/are shielding or asked to isolate through 'Test, Trace, Isolate & Support'?	Y	Green	Employee tracker is updated regularly and staff will be spoken to as per above.
3.	Where practicable have staff been allowed to work from home remotely?	Y	Green	



4.	Can all staff maintain the government guidelines for social distancing based on your activity (<u>The latest Social Distancing Guidelines available here</u>). These could include but are not limited to the following:	N	Amber	Yes, with the exception of a limited number of staff who support pupils with ASN. In this instance, staff will be provided with the relevant training and suitable PPE to mitigate against transmission of COvid-19. Signage will be clearly visible throughout the school estate highlighting the need for and procedures necessary for preventing spread of the virus.
4a	Are you able to segregate staff's activities to promote 1 metres distance?	N	Amber	See above. Use of the staff room will be 'staggered' to ensure smaller groups of people are accessing it at any one time. Seating is physically distanced. Day cleaning staff will regularly wipe down all seating and hard surfaces.
4b	Are you able to limit the amount of contact staff have with each other to 15 minutes or less?	N	Amber	Staff sharing workspaces will be placed more than 2m apart. When staff have to meet we will continue to use Microsoft teams and 'face to face' meeting will take place at a distance of more than 2m in well ventilated spaces.
4c	Are you able to implement a one way flow system and provide visual aids (e.g. distancing markers, signage, flow system markers) for maintaining two metres distance?	N	Amber	See above. Safety signage will be used throughout the school Posters detailing key safety will continue to be prominent throughout the building.
5.	Have staff been trained / notified before returning to work on any new procedures?	Y	Green	All staff returning to work will be notified of this RA and measures to undertake to ensure their own health and safety. They will also receive a summary document clearly outlining all key points of safety.
6.	Have staff been provided with information about hand washing techniques for suggested duration to maintain good hygiene practices?	Y	Green	Repeatedly through posters, circulars and media.
7.	Have staff been instructed on social distancing where practicable while at work?	Y	Green	Verbally and through visual reminders. On Monday 10 August, via a Teams meet, all staff will have key information on social distancing, use of face coverings, increased hand hygiene, etc. clearly explained to them. Weekly reminders in staff bulletin. All staff updated on new guidance and relevant changes
8.	Have staff been trained on what to do if they are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms?	Y	Green	Staff will be instructed to remain at home if feeling unwell and to consult NHS for guidance. They will be told to self refer for testing using NHS Shetland forms as emailed out to all Council Staff by the Chief Executive. This must be done within the first three days of symptoms – the number for this service is 01595 532030. Should staff begin to feel unwell while at work, they will be instructed to follow guidance in RA. They will notify their line manager and proceed to the isolation room if they are too unwell to go straight home. Reminders on School website COVID page
9.	Are daily alerts from government departments e.g. NHS Inform/ Health Protection Scotland being sourced and shared with staff?	Y	Green	All updates are emailed out to all staff.



10.	Have staff been instructed to minimise business related travel and use video/telephone chat as an alternative method of maintaining contact with colleagues, parents, carers, suppliers and customers?	Y	Green	Colleagues will limit any contact to an absolute minimum and continuously mindful of the FACTS campaign. No larger meetings of the staff group will take place, other than remotely. Parents will be informed that they are not to enter the building unless by prior arrangement for serious and specific reasons. All communications with Parents/carers will be vis telephone, email, letter and electronic meeting platforms. Suppliers will follow clearly displayed procedure for the delivery of goods.
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B: T	ravel, Access & Egress – Consider how your staff will t	ravel to v	vork, trav	el for work, access and exit work safely.
No	Issues	Y/N/ NA	Rating R/A/G	Comments
1.	Are you able to implement sufficient parking restrictions to maintain social distancing measures?	Y	Green	All cars must be reverse parked in the staff car park to reduce potential contact.
2.	Are staff using their own transport for work activities?	N	Green	No work activities that require a car
3.	Are staff avoiding public transport where applicable and using alternatives (e.g. cycling, walking to work etc)?	Y	Green	
4.	Have you considered staff that are required to car share for their role and whether this could continue?	N/A	Green	
5.	Have the entry and exits to the building/site been reviewed to ensure that access/egress can be carried out safely?	Υ	Green	Staff have been directed as to which entry/exit points they should use.
6.	Has access to the building/site been restricted to parents, carers, visitors and contractors etc?	Y	Green	Colleagues will limit any contact to an absolute minimum and continuously mindful of the FACTS campaign. No larger meetings of the staff group will take place, other than remotely. Parents will be informed that they are not to enter the building unless by prior arrangement for serious and specific reasons. All communications with Parents/carers will be via telephone, email, letter and electronic meeting platforms. Suppliers will follow clearly displayed procedure for the delivery of goods.



7.	Is it practicable to confine parents, carers and visitors to strictly defined areas and avoid unnecessary movements around the building?	Y	Green	See above.
8.	Have appropriate hand sanitiser pump action containers been made available in every work area classroom and on main travel routes through the building/site including access and egress areas?	Y	Green	Foot/hand pump sanitiser dispensers are located at all main entry/exit points throughout school. Almost all classrooms have sinks where handwashing can take place on pupils' re-entry to the room. Staff are positioned at the bottom floor entrance to support the hand sanitising of young learners.
9.	Is advisory hand washing signage displayed throughout the building/site, especially at entrances and exits and social areas?	Y	Green	
10.	Are the signs displayed, reviewed and replaced as necessary?	Y	Green	

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		NA	R/A/G	
1.	Have you completed a deep clean of the property / site before returning?	Y	Green	Classrooms are cleaned in line with local guidance.
2	Is the ongoing cleaning frequency sufficient and can cleaning be undertaken when site/building/premises is occupied?	Y	Green	Two additional day cleaners have been employed.
3.	Are all hand contact points cleaned on a frequent basis throughout the day including, door furniture, handrails, IT equipment, desks, phones, flush plates, taps, dispensers, toilets, canteen / food preparation areas, technical equipment, science equipment, musical instruments, art equipment etc?	Y	Green	Day cleaners will wipe down handrails on a regular basis through the day. Staff will be encouraged to maintain appropriate hygiene during the working day, e.g. hand washing, wiping down work areas, etc.
4.	Are appropriate cleaning products being used during daily preventative cleaning regime?	Y	Green	
5	Have persons undertaking the cleaning been instructed with clear safe usage instructions?	Y	Green	



6	Have staff been provided with appropriate cleaning products so that they can frequently clean their work stations during the day?	Y	Green	Anti-bacterial wipes will be in each room for staff to use on their work station, resources, etc.
7	Can rugs and mats be removed where safe to do so to make cleaning and disinfection of floors easier?	Y	Green	
8	Have all soft furnishings been removed from classrooms and G.P. areas?	Y	Green	
9	Has all excess equipment/books been removed from classrooms?	Y	Green	
10		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	

No	Issues	Y/N/ NA	Rating R/A/G	Comments
	Has your responsible person carried out checks on your building in the following areas:			
1.	Fire Safety Systems / Emergency Lighting.	Y	Green	Usual check system being followed. Updated Fire Regulations have been issued to all staff in line with current changes to the structure/schedule of the school day. Teaching staff will ensure that pupils are aware of these.
2.	Ventilation / Humidity / Lighting & Heating.	Y	Green	See above.
3.	Gas Installations.	Y	Green	See above.
4.	Legionella Controls.	Y	Green	See above.



5.	Routine Inspections e.g. Local Exhaust Ventilation, Lifting	Y	Green	See above.
	Equipment and Pressure Systems and Equipment			
	Maintenance.			
6	Lift Statutory Inspections.	Υ	Green	See above.

Completed	Responsible Person	Timescale		tion Required	Details Ac	i
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Signed:	J Wadley	Date:	15 April 2022
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Workplace Risk Assessment

Existing Health and Safety legislation makes it mandatory for all organisations to carry out a risk assessment of their work sites, and to keep these assessments constantly updated as circumstances change. There are also duties to consult with the workforce as part of this process, and to share the results of any risk assessment with them. The new risk posed by COVID-19 requires all employers to revisit their current H&S risk assessments, to ensure that new COVID-19 risks are assessed and managed. This means doing everything reasonably practicable to minimise these risks, recognising that we cannot completely eliminate the risk of COVID-19.

Risk control measures should be implemented according to the Hierarchy of Controls. (see Appendix A) Further information on the practical implementation follows. You are reminded that when assessing that level of risk that a hazard may present you must consider the likely outcome of the hazard causing harm, NOT the worst case scenario. The matrix for assessing risk is:

SEVERITY			LIKELIHOOD		
	1 Very Unlikely (freak event)	2 Unlikely (Unlikely sequence of events)	3 Possible (Foreseeable under unusual circumstances)	4 Likely (Easily foreseeable -)	5 Very Likely (Common occurrence)
1 Negligible (Risk of transmission is zero)	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
2 Slight (Risk of transmission is very low)	Low	Low	Low	Medium	Medium
3 Moderate Risk of transmission is low)	Low	Low	Medium	High	High
4 Severe (Risk of transmission is moderate)	Low	Medium	High	High	High
5 Very Severe (Risk of transmission is high)	Low	Medium	High	High	High



HAZARD	AT RISK	CONTROL MEASURES	PROBABLE OUTCOME					
Consider: premises work, equipment, specific tasks etc.	People at risk	Control By: guards, training, supervision, safety equipment, safe working procedures, hygiene monitoring etc.	EXISTING/ PROPOSED 'E' or 'P'	Possible Outcome	Likelihood	Risk rating: High Medium Low	Proposed Timescale	Action Completed Date/Initial
Psychological well being	YPupil Sa Staff/Pupils	Regular communication is in place (individual and group) to ensure staff/pupils are not ill-informed about returning to work/school safely. New workplace/controls put in place to reduce risk of exposure to COVID-19 are documented in procedures and policies and disseminated to employees through line managers and HR. New teaching and learning controls put in place to reduce risk of exposure to COVID-19 are documented in procedures and policies and relevant information disseminated to Parents/Carers. Line managers/ Head Teachers are aware of how big changes to working arrangements may cause additional work-related stress and affect their staffs mental health and wellbeing. Line managers/Head Teachers are aware of how big changes to learning arrangements may cause additional stress for children affect their mental health and wellbeing. Managers/ Head Teachers hold regular informal discussions with their team and look at ways to reduce causes of stress. Concerns on workload issues or support needs are escalated to line manager/Head Teachers.	E	Severe	Likely	Medium	Ongoing	



		Managers/ Head Teachers are trained to recognise signs and symptoms that a person is working beyond their capacity to cope and deal sensitively with employees experiencing problems outside of work. Staff who are in vulnerable groups themselves or caring for others are encouraged to contact their line manager to discuss their support needs Staff are made aware of supportive mechanisms available to them (e.g. staff welfare officer) through line managers. Pupils are made aware of supportive mechanisms available to them (e.g. Pupil Support). School management team are aware of the impact on their own work-related stress levels in preparing for and supporting pupils, parents and staff through big changes to the educational system. The potential impact on their mental and physical health must be recognised and appropriate support made available. School management team have identified ways to support their own work/life balance. All staff are encouraged to take time out of the building at some point during the day to get some natural light.						
Virus transmission in the workplace /School	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	Staff follow all Scottish Government and Local Authority guidance. Latest updates March 2022 Specific individual worker risk assessment been updated for those who have a self-declared health condition which could increase their risk profile. An inspection checklist has been undertaken to identify the control measures to consider reducing the risk of workplace infections and as part of a proactive monitoring regime and checking that preventative and protective control measures are	E	Moderate	Possible	Medium	Ongoing	



		implemented in line with current health and safety general				
		duties.				
		The NHS track and trace system will be used to advise staff				
		upon their return to work and if steps are necessary to be taken.				
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		Training arrangements have been developed including refresher				
		sessions to ensure staff have been trained before returning to				
		work on any new procedures.				
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		Work has been arranged so that staff are able to maintain the				
		government guidelines for social distancing based on our				
		industry (The latest Guidance on these measure can be found				
		by clicking the following link <u>Social Distancing Guidelines</u>).				
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		Staff activities are segregated to promote responsible social				
		distancing –LA sticking to WHO guidance of 1m				
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		A one-way flow system is implemented where possible and				
		visual aids, such as floor strips, signage are used for maintaining				
		appropriate distance throughout the school.				
		appropriate distance unoughout the school.				
		Employees/pupils are educated on preventative care.				
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		Hygiene guidance is given such as avoiding touching eyes,				
		nose, mouth and unwashed hands, cover your cough or sneeze				
		with a tissue, and throw it away in a bin and wash your hands.				
		Teachers to regularly communicate this with pupils.				
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		Help is available for children and young people who have				
		difficulty cleaning their hands independently.				
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		System within school that ensures limited number of				
		children/staff go to the toilet at one time.				
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		Young children can wear masks if they choose to do so.				
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transmission in		and implementing good respiratory hygiene.				
the workplace/	Staff,					
school -	Pupils,	Alcohol based hand rub has been placed at strategic areas				
Continued	Parents,	within the school and in other areas where they will be seen. For				
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 Carers,	example at all entrances to school and in general			_	
Visitors,	circulation/breakout areas.				
contractors					
	The use of alcohol based hand rub to be supervised particularly when being used by small children.				
	Parents/Carers advised there will be the use of alcohol based hand sanitisers.				
	Staff/pupils have been instructed to clean their hands frequently,				
	to wash their hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds followed by the use of an alcohol-based hand sanitiser that				
	contains at least 60-95% alcohol. Soap and water and alcohol-				
	based hand rubs are provided in the school and adequate				
	supplies are maintained.				
	Parents/carers have been informed that children should only be				
	dropped off at school at 0845. Pupils can stay out in the playground until the bell rings at 0900. They are not permitted to				
	come in and out before 0900 – once in the school they remain in				
	to ensure that the stairs are one way in the mornings.				
	Social distancing of staff while at school is maintained by				
	continuing to limit social interactions by staggering break times/ lunchtimes.				
	idilcituiries.				
	Posters are located throughout the school to remind staff/pupils				
	to exercise appropriate distancing.				
	Where laundry is to be carried out in the school all items should				
	be placed in an appropriate receptacle before being washed.				
	The machine should be no more than half full and the wash				
	cycle should be at least 60C. Where items are taken home by pupils they should be advised to place them in a disposable				
	plastic bag for transporting.				
	Children are discouraged from bringing items in from home –				
	other than a digital device to support their remote learning.				
	School bags are kept on floors, on pegs or on the back of chairs not on desks				
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	Staff,	Learners can bring in a pencil case and stationery for their own				
Virus	Pupils,	use only.	l			
transmission in	Parents,		l l			
the workplace -	Carers,	Prop open doors (please note this does not include fire doors),	ı			
Continued	Visitors,	where safe to do so (mindful of fire safety). This will limit use of	ı			
Continued		door handles, and improve ventilation.	ı			
	contractors		l			
		Windows should be opened whenever possible to improve	ı			
		ventilation	l			
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		Staff bring their own provisions in for refreshments/lunch. Staff to	ı			
		also bring their own cup/water bottle.	l			
		Children to bring their own bottle of water, and snack. This will	l			
		refilled in the classroom. Communal water fountains will not be	l			
		used. Tuck shop areas will not be open.	l			
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		Social areas providing seating have staggered use to maintain	l			
		social distancing rules.	l			
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		Staff requested to keep in touch through remote technology such	ı			
		as phone, internet and social media.	l			
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		Official government guidance is monitored regularly for latest				
		details on guidance and advice which is shared with staff.	l			
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		greetings.	l			
		Staff are made aware of the impact of COVID 10 are the size				
		Staff are made aware of the impact of COVID-19 on their	l			
		job/change of working environment.				
		Staff will follow the SG guidance and wear face coverings when				
		they cannot maintain 1m social distancing with other adults and				
		the learners. They will also wear face coverings when moving				
		through corridors and in other communal areas within the				
		school. (Some exemptions in ELCC, P1, P2 and with some				
		learners with ASN)				



Staff follow the clear instructions within the national guidance: Face coverings should not be shared with others. Before putting on or removing the face covering, hands should be cleaned by washing with soap and water or hand sanitiser. Make sure the face covering is the right size to cover the nose, mouth and chin. When temporarily storing a face covering (e.g. during classes), it should be placed in a washable, sealed bag or container. Avoid placing it on surfaces, due to the possibility of contamination. Re-usable face coverings should be washed after each day of use in school at 60 degrees centigrade or in boiling water. Disposable face coverings must be disposed of safely and hygienically.	
As far as possible and in line with effective practice, staff should avoid touching their mouth, nose and eye area. Good hand hygiene should be sufficient to prevent transmission of infection from these items, even if they are contaminated, as long as the person handling the item does not touch their face between handling the item and decontaminating their hands. Good respiratory hygiene ("Catch it, kill it, bin it") is also required at all times.	
New members staff get an induction which includes all the safety measure currently in place regarding COVID and a copy of this Risk Assessment	
Staff are encouraged to receive vaccines.	
Additional support for learners with ASN	
PPE will be located in a designated 'isolation room'.	
Adequate training has been provided on what PPE is required (i.e. gloves, masks, aprons, Filtering Face Pieces (P3), goggles, the correct donning/doffing of PPE and face fit testing.	



		Official guidance for correct donning and doffing of PPE for non-AGPs. as well as for AGPs. is followed. Use of transparent face covering where required. When providing intimate care staff will wear gloves, aprons and fluid-resistant surgical masks. Where necessary eye protection will be worn. Gloves and aprons are used when cleaning surfaces that might be contaminated with body fluids. Staff directly involved in the direct care of children with the most complex additional healthcare needs have been offered a vaccine. Approximately 25 staff have taken up the offer and have had both doses.						
Virus transmission in the workplace /School - PRACTICAL SUBJECT	Staff, Pupils, Parents, C arers, leisure centre staff, public	Physical Education Staff are aware that the updated guidance states: There are no restrictions on indoor and outdoor drama activity, music, PE or dance. Routine measures should continue to apply in relevant settings where these activities are taking place (e.g. good ventilation	E	Moderate	Possible	Medium		
Someone entering the school with COVID-19/ or become unwell within the school	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	Request that companies who regularly attend our premises or those we work alongside us to provide their health and safety policy/arrangements / or RAMS (risk assessment and method statement) regarding COVID-19. Work with our supply chain to ensure that they are adopting good practices to prevent the spread of COVID-19 to discuss arrangements and control measures. Staff are made aware of COVID-19 symptoms via training sessions and visual aids such as posters in key locations, screensavers. Anybody visiting site will be informed that they are not to enter if they're experiencing COVID-19 symptoms and will be advised to self-isolate in line with government recommendations.	E	Moderate	Possible	Medium	ONGOING	



Remind staff/parents if their child or any member of the household has cold symptoms (not just fever/cough), they should not attend school, and to follow isolation guidance. Posters displayed at entrances and throughout school.		
Any child who presents with Covid-19 symptoms should be located in an Isolation Room.		
ISOLATION ROOM WILL BE LOCATED IN THE PE STAFF OFFICE AND ISOLATION TOILETS WILL BE THOSE LOCATED OPPOSITE THIS ROOM.		
An isolation toilet will be clearly identified, and only used as an 'isolation toilet' in the event of when a child/staff member becomes unwell.		
PPE to be located in 'isolation room'		
Procedure to be in place in event of when parent/carer is late to collect child/children when unwell.		
Any staff member who presents with Covid-19 symptoms should phone/communicate with management, in order to cover classes appropriately and then isolate in an Isolation Room if they feel unable to travel. Then exit school asap.		



Hazard	At Risk	Control Measures	Probable Outcome					
Consider: premises work, equipment, specific tasks etc.	People at risk	Control By: guards, training, supervision, safety equipment, safe working procedures, hygiene monitoring etc.	EXISTING/ PRPOSED 'E' or 'P'	Possible Outcome	Likelihood	Risk rating: High Medium Low	Proposed Timescale	Action Completed Date/Initial
Travel, Acce	ess & Egi	ress						
Entry and exit to building	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	Entry and exits to the building/school are reviewed to ensure that access/egress can be carried out safely. The three storey block will only be open from 0845. Pupils can stay outside until 0900 and play in their designated playgrounds. Stagger break times and lunch breaks. Learners accessing the breakfast club must enter by the main school door and use hand sanitiser upon entry. Two staff will supervise and ensure hygiene regulations are followed. Access classroom from outside door where applicable. Parents have been notified that they are required to wear face covering at pick up and drop off times. Follow procedure for when parent/carer is late to collect child.	E	Moderate	Very Unlikely	Low	ONGOING	
Entry and exit to building – Continued	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	Pupils to wash hands with soap and water, after entering building, and before exiting building. Visitors confined to strictly defined areas and unnecessary movements around the building avoided. Parents/carers to leave children at main door of school, or another means of access as advised by the Head Teacher, exercising 1m distancing.						



Hazard	At Risk	Control Measures	Probable Outcome					
Consider: premises work, equipment, specific tasks etc.	People at risk	Control By: guards, training, supervision, safety equipment, safe working procedures, hygiene monitoring etc.	EXISTING/ PRPOSED 'E' or 'P'	Possible Outcome	Likelihood	Risk rating: High Medium Low	Proposed Timescale	Action Completed Date/Initial
		Hand sanitiser pump action containers are available in every work area and on main travel routes through the school including access and egress areas.						
		Advisory hand washing signage displayed throughout the school, especially at entrances and exits and were people congregate.						
		Signs displayed reviewed and replaced as necessary.						



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Cleaning ar	nd hygien	e measures							
Environmental Cleaning	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	A deep clean of the property / site before returning is performed if required. CLEANING SERVICES AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH WILL OVERSEE APPROPRIATE MEASURES.	Е	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.			
Cleaning Frequency	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	The ongoing cleaning frequency is made sufficient enough such that cleaning can be undertaken when site/building/premises is occupied. School to be cleaned after each session, and at regular intervals throughout the day, in accordance with the agreed schedule. CLEANING SERVICES AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH WILL OVERSEE APPROPRIATE MEASURES.	E	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.			
Commonly touched surfaces/toys/ equipment	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	All hand contact points cleaned on a frequent basis throughout the day including, door handles, light switches, furniture, handrails, IT equipment, desks, phones, flush plates, taps, dispensers, toilets, canteen / food preparation areas. Rugs and mats are removed where safe to do so to make cleaning and disinfection of floors easier.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.			



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		Appropriate cleaning products are used during daily preventative clean regime. Staff avoid touching common pieces of equipment such as printers/scanners/faxes and use only dedicated work equipment on the workstations. Any use of common work equipment is restricted and managed. In classrooms/learning environments where there is not a sink nearby, ensure there are hand sanitiser available. Routine cleaning disinfection of frequently touched objects and surfaces such as doors, desks, chairs, sinks, toilets, light switches, bannisters etc. Routine cleaning/ disinfection of shared resources such as books, toys, ICT equipment such as keyboards, music equipment, utensils and tools. CLEANING SERVICES AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH WILL OVERSEE APPROPRIATE MEASURES. All pupils and staff to have own stationary. All desks/chairs to be disinfected after each session. All pupils to have designated storage for work e.g. their own tray. To be located on individuals desks.								



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Use of cleaning products	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, Contractors	Persons undertaking the cleaning been instructed with clear safe usage instructions. The relevant Safety Data Sheet and COSHH assessment is provided for the substances in use	Е	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.				
		Correct PPE is provided for the use of cleaning materials CLEANING SERVICES AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH WILL OVERSEE APPROPRIATE MEASURES.								
Housekeeping	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, Contractors	Appropriate cleaning products are provided, so that staff can frequently clean their work stations and pupils work stations during the day. Staff provided with waste bins lined with a plastic bag so that they can be emptied without contacting the contents. Staff are instructed that the emptying of bins and wastepaper baskets should be followed by hand washing.	E	Moderate	Unlikely	Low	ONGOING			



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Fire Safety	Systems	/ Emergency Lighting - Responsible person has car	ried out check	s on your buildir	ng in the below	areas. Guidance	on this topic ca	an be accessed	
Fire, heat, burns, smoke inhalation	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	Checks have been carried out in in the following areas: Emergency lighting suitable, sufficient and maintained. Suitable number fire extinguishers available in required locations. The sprinkler system including heads maintained (if fitted). Dry / wet risers inspected and maintained (if installed). Fire blankets available in required location. Fire alarm and detection system for the building tested, inspected and maintained. Means of escape clear. Fire doors provided and maintained in good working order. Building has suitable lightening conductors / protection. The fire risk assessment suitable & sufficient / current.	E	Very Severe	Possible	Medium	ONGOING		



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Ventilation /	/ Humidity	y / Lighting & Heating Responsible person has carried	out checks on	your building in	the below areas	s. Guidance on th	nis topic can be	accessed here	
Temperature/ Humidity	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	Workplace temperatures are appropriate. Measures can be taken to control temperature extremes and/or humidity levels.	Е	Slight	Possible	Low	ONGOING		
Ventilation	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	Natural ventilation is available in the workplace, e.g. windows or open doorways. If natural ventilation is insufficient, ventilators, fans or air conditioners provided to ensure a consistent flow of fresh air. Air exchange rate of the air handling system meet standard requirements for the occupants in the building. Ventilation systems have been adequately maintained and serviced. Staff have been advised to keep all doors open and windows open, when weather allows. Parents/carers have been advised to ensure their child(ren) have appropriate clothing to keep them warm. CO2 monitors in place – readings taken 3 times a day and sent to Children's Services weekly.	E	Slight	Possible	Low	ONGOING		



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Legionella/\	Water Sys	stems/Hygiene - Responsible person has carried out chec	cks on your bu	ilding in the belo	w areas. Guida	nce on this topic	can be accesse	d here	
Water outlets Legionella	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	Tanks, taps and shower outlets inspected and maintained. Suitable controls in place to reduce the risk of legionnaires disease. Showers been run at maximum temperature for 5mins to eliminate standing water and eradicate legionella bacteria.	E	Severe	Unlikely	Low	ONGOING		
Drinking water	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	Drinking water facilities safe for use i.e. provided at refreshing temperatures (not warm). Drinking water should ideally be "live" from the potable water main or from storage that is properly designed, sealed from ingress of dirt, vermin etc. and with good circulation.	E	Moderate	Very Unlikely	Low	ONGOING		



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·	_	Local Exhaust Ventilation, Lifting Equipment and Pres	sure Syste	ms and Equi	pment Mainte	enance - Resp	onsible person	has carried out	
checks on your bu	uilding in the b	elow areas. Guidance on this topic can be accessed here	T =	T	T.,,	1 -		T	
Statutory Inspections	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	Checks have been carried out or planned in the following areas: Thorough examination, inspection, test and maintenance certificate and logs available and up-to-date for the premises, plant and equipment e.g. Local Exhaust Ventilation, Lifting Equipment and Pressure Systems.	E	Moderate	Very Unlikely	Low	ONGOING		
Lift Statutory Inspections	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	The thorough examination, inspection, testing and maintenance records for the lifting equipment in date.	E	Moderate	Very Unlikely	Low	ONGOING		
Plant and Equipment	Staff, Pupils, Parents, Carers, visitors, contractors	There is a planned preventative maintenance schedule and inventory available for key items of plant and equipment and are up-to-date All fixed guards on machinery in place, secure and well maintained. The safety devices and controls e.g. emergency stops, light guards etc been checked to ensure safe operation. Defective equipment been taken out of service awaiting repair.	E	Moderate	Very Unlikely	Low	ONGOING		

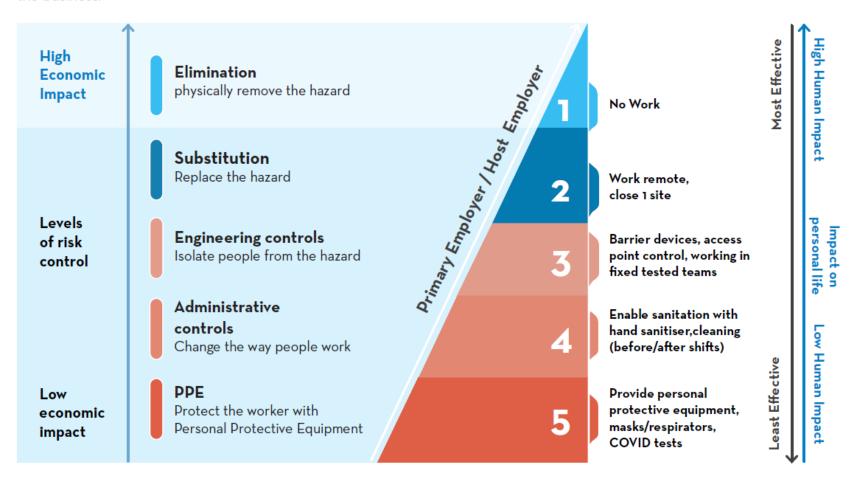


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		tasks safely and com	ppropriate competences and/or							
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Levels of Control to categorize the measurements

This model is adapted and based on Health & Safety Executive (UK), Hierarchy of Controls. There are five levels of control to consider. The purpose is to prioritise safety and reduce risk to acceptable levels, as well as limiting economic impact to the business.





How a COVID-19 health & safety protocol can address the various risks at the workplace

Illustrative example

Level of risk control	Canteen and / or breaks measures a company could consider to adopt
Elimination physically remove the hazard	All employees to work from home
Substitution Replace the hazard	Instruct employees not to congregate in breakrooms/canteens for their break time
Engineering controls Isolate people from the hazard	Identify dedicated eating areas on site and ask employees to bring prepared meals and refillable drinking bottles from home
Administrative controls Change the way people work	Set up lunch / breaks shifts (by teams) with staggered start and finish times to guarantee physical distancing during lunch time and / or breaks
PPE Protect the worker with Personal Protective Equipment	Install temporary disposable cardboard or plastic separators in lunch rooms and common areas



Overview of categories in the best practices checklist

Control Level

Levels of Control - adapted based on Health & Safety Executive (UK) Elimination - Physically remove the hazard e.g. do not work

Substitution - Replace the hazard e.g. work from home

Engineering controls - Isolate people from the hazard e.g. arrange access point controls

Administrative controls - Change the way people work e.g. enable sanitation with hand sanitisers

Personal Protective Equipment - Protect the worker with PPE e.g. provide face masks

Measure categorization

Type of Measure

People - With regard to those carrying out tasks under the direct control and supervision of the employer/ host employer and includes those visiting the work site

Premises - With regard to business facilities, rooms as well as organisation such as planning personnel shifts

Organisational - With regard to policy, procedures & arrangements to manage Covid-19 in the workplace

External - With regard to travel during work activities and commuting from home to the workplace

Measure Description

Topic Name	The topic name for the measure
Work Situation	The situation related to work for the which the measure is valid
Hierarchy of Controls	Consider Elimination, Substitution, Engineering controls, Administrative controls, PPE
Measures	Any items that are required to make the work instructions happen
Control Measures\Instructions	How to put the preventative measure into action at work; a practical and clear guide, the "how to"
Arrangements to be considered	The preventative measure to be taken to mitigate the H&S risk and in line with the relevant policy
Monitor\Audit	Consideration to be given to regularly review arrangements and policy, inclusive of audit
Review	Conduct reviews in line with Government recommendations



Examples of Practical Implementation of Control Measures

Re-modelling of the workplace

Separation - space and time

Concept Description

Offices could be redesigned to provide for greater spacing between employees and reduce the risk of contamination between functions.

Impact

- This may help to reduce the spread of any infection
- May also provide compartmentalisation in the event of a wider spread allowing the maintenance of some functions.





Visual Social-distancing/Sanitisation Cues

Separation - space and time

Concept Description

Visual cues such as markings or projections on the floors, walls and interfaces could indicate to workers safe distances and provide reminders as to when they should change PPE and/or wash their hands as the go through the working environment.

Impact

- May increase the frequency with which employees wash their hands
- Increases employee awareness of hygiene.
- Increases employee awareness of physical distancing with colleagues





Staggered Shifts and Lunch Times

Separation - space and time

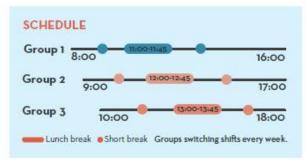
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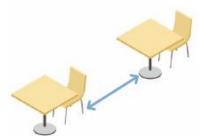
Simple and clear instructions about work shifts and breaks could be provided (e.g. where employees should sit and for how long they can be in the breakroom/canteen)

Impact

- Can help reduce queues and crowds, especially relevant if screening measures are introduced requiring more time to pass through.
- Could make it easier for workers to maintain social distance.

Employee shifts and breaks can be staggered to prevent queues and crowds







Hygiene Zones with Checkpoints Between

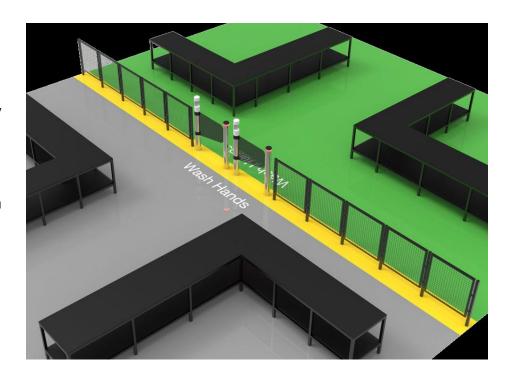
Personal Health measure

Concept Description

The workplace could be separated into various zones with mandatory sanitisation between zones.

Impact

- Increases the frequency with which workers must wash hands/change PPE.
- Reduces risk of cross-contamination





Printed Media Campaign

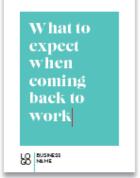
Concept Description

Providing printed media to inform employees about the changes they can expect when returning to work.

Impact

- Can increase transparency and give clarity about current situation and the way that it is handled
- Could increase mental and emotional preparedness of staff upon return to work

An information and learning campaign comprised of printed info packs













Online Training (Pre and Post Return)

Returning to work training

Concept Description

These online training sessions may form a part of a larger series preparing the worker to return to the site, beginning in their home and continuing for a time after return.

Impact

- Can be deployed within the worker's home (pre-return) or on-site (post-return)
- Can be tailored to match worker's preferred learning style
- Can be gamified to provide learning incentives
- Can provide continuity across the pre and post return horizons

Online learning courses providing latest information to prepare workers for return





Mental wellbeing while working from home

It expected that in the 'new normal', the return to the office environment will be phased in gradually; it is likely that many employers will incorporate long-term arrangements for their employees to work from home during part of the working week on a rotational basis, in order to ensure physical distancing protocols are met. It is therefore still important to ensure that, as part of a company's H&S protocols, due regard is given to employees' mental wellbeing during these disruptive times.

By way of example here are 10 tips for employees to stay fit and well, both when they are working from home or in the office. We strongly recommend that all employers ensure that mental wellbeing support is provided for their workforce going forward.

10 Steps to





















Mental Wellness

APPENDIX B

