

Little Chalfont Parish Council – Village Hall

Special Conditions of Hire during COVID-19

SC1: The hirer, will be responsible for ensuring those attending your activity or event comply with the COVID-19 Secure Guidelines while entering and occupying the hall, as shown on the attached poster which is also displayed at the hall entrance, in particular using the hand sanitiser supplied when entering the hall and after using tissues.

SC2: You will be responsible for supplying a Risk Assessment for your hire to the Parish Council prior to the event.

SC3: You will be responsible for cleaning door handles, light switches, window catches, equipment, toilet handles and seats, wash basins and all surfaces likely to be used during your period of hire **before** other members of your group or organisation arrive and to keep the premises clean through regular cleaning of surfaces during your hire, paying particular attention to wash hand basins and kitchen sinks (if used), using your own ordinary domestic products. You will be required to clean **after** your booking. Please ensure the cleaning schedule sheet is signed before and after your session to confirm that you have performed the cleaning processes. Please take care cleaning electrical equipment. Use cloths - do not spray!

SC4: You will make sure that everyone likely to attend your activity or event understands that they **MUST NOT DO SO** if they or anyone in their household has had COVID-19 symptoms in the last 7 days, and that if they develop symptoms within 7 days of visiting the premises they **MUST** use the Test, Track and Trace system to alert others with whom they have been in contact.

SC5: You will keep the premises well ventilated throughout your hire, with windows and doors open as far as convenient. You will be responsible for ensuring they are all securely closed on leaving.

SC6: You will ensure that no more than 14 people attend your activity/event (this number does not allow for the use for tables and chairs), in order that social distancing can be maintained. You will ensure that everyone attending maintains social distancing while waiting to enter the premises, observes the one-way system within the premises, and as far as possible when using more confined areas e.g. moving and stowing, equipment, which should be kept as brief as possible. You will make sure that no more than one person uses each suite of toilets at one time.

SC7: You will take particular care to ensure that social distancing is maintained for any persons aged 70 or over or likely to be clinically more vulnerable to COVID-19, including for example keeping a 2m distance around them when going in and out of rooms and ensuring they can access the toilets, kitchen or other confined areas without others being present. For some people, passing another person in a confined space is less risky, but for older people that should be avoided.

SC8: You will position furniture or the arrangement of the room as far as possible to facilitate people seating side by side, with at least one empty chair between each person, rather than face to face. If tables are being used, you will place them so as to maintain a distance of at least 2 metres across the table between people who are face to face e.g. using a wide U-shape.

SC9: You will be responsible for the disposal of all rubbish created during your hire, including tissues and cleaning cloths, in the rubbish bins located in the kitchen and toilets before you leave the hall.

SC10: You will encourage users to bring their own drinks and food or You will be responsible, if drinks or food are made, for ensuring that all crockery and cutlery is washed in hot soapy water, dried and stowed away. You will bring your own clean tea towels, so as to reduce risk of contamination between hirers, and take them away. We will provide washing up liquid and washing up cloths.

SC11: If a person has COVID 19 symptoms when attending the hall. The village hall will have to close for 72 hours and all bookings in that period will have to be cancelled.

SC12: We will have the right to close the hall if there are safety concerns relating to COVID-19, for example, if someone who has attended the hall develops symptoms and thorough cleansing is required or if it is reported that the Special Hiring Conditions above are not being complied with, whether by you or by other hirers, or in the event that public buildings are asked or required to close again. If this is necessary, we will do our best to inform you promptly and you will not be charged for this hire.

SC13: In the event of someone becoming unwell with suspected Covid-19 symptoms while at the hall you should remove them to the designated safe area which is the toilet located at the rear of hall. Provide tissues and a bin or plastic bag, and a bowl of warm soapy water for handwashing. Ask others in your group to provide contact details if you do not have them and then leave the premises, observing the usual hand sanitising and social distancing precautions, and advise them to launder their clothes when they arrive home. Inform the Parish Council – Telephone number: 01494 766655.

SC14: You are responsible for taking the names and contract numbers of everyone who is in attendance and everyone should sign and date to confirm that they agree for their information to be held. This information should be kept for 21 days.

SC15: Other special points as appropriate.

Events with seated audiences: You will provide attendants who will ask people to seat themselves furthest from the entrance on arrival, to exit closest to the exits first.

Where a group uses their own equipment: You will ask those attending to bring their own equipment and not share it with other members. You will ensure that any equipment you provide is cleaned before use and before being stored in the hall's cupboards.

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