

Re-opening Ceddesfeld Hall - Covid 19 - General Risk Assessment

From September 1st 2021 – Fully Open

Planning for the reopening of Ceddesfeld Hall is consistent with the core public health guidance regarding health, hygiene and social distancing and the lifting of restrictions, announced by the Government in April 2021.

Ceddesfeld Hall will re-open fully, for all sections and groups from Wednesday 1st September 2021. Due to the continuing high covid infection rates, the Trustees agree that a cautious and common-sense approach to mixing indoors is advised and recommended. The wearing of masks is encouraged, but not compulsory. Hand sanitizer is available in all rooms. The hall is cleaned daily.

People or area at Risk	Hazard/Risk identified	Actions to take to control risk	Further Mitigation Actions	Who needs to carry out the	Done
	Catching COVID-19			action?	
	Narrow/steep back			By when?	
	staircase				
People:	Certain groups of people	Covid-19 vaccination programme rolled out to different	Prior to Opening:	All actions to be	Initials
Users (affiliated	remain at reduced risk of	age groups and those more vulnerable individuals - all		carried out prior to	Date
groups, sections,	severe disease from	eligible adults advised to have both jabs.	All 'Safe to Return' conditions –	agreed reopening	
members &	Corona virus (COVID 19)		This risk assessment placed on	date.	S.Guest
visitors)	including older and more	There is an option to register with the mobile phone	SCA website.		31 st
	vulnerable people and	'Track and Trace' App on entry.		Risk assessment	August
Regular room	unvaccinated people.		Safety advice and	agreed by	2021
hirers - Sections		Deep clean of all rooms/areas before opening –	recommendations (this RA) sent	Trustees.	
	All people could be	Contracted company.	via email to section/group leaders	Preparation of	
Occasional hirers	exposed via contact with		(to be cascaded to all group	rooms and areas to	
	an infected surface e.g.	Regular daily/weekly cleans thereafter - Contracted	members), individual members,	be completed by:	
Volunteer workers	chair/table, wall switch,	company.	and volunteer helpers prior to	TG, SG, JS, MS,	
 bar staff, care 	door handle, banister rail		opening.	plus other	
takers, event	or object/utensil	It is advised that group /section leader keep a record of		Trustees/volunteers	
organisers		all attendees, so that they can be contacted if	'Conditions of Room Hire'		
		necessary.	updated to include Covid-19		

Cleaning staff	All people at risk if	Prominent posters to be placed around the hall:	restrictions. Details of these	PPE safety	
-	cautious and sensible	Advising not to enter if any symptoms of COVID 19.	restrictions can be found on the	equipment,	
Contractors	social distancing measures	Advising that:	SCA website will be sent to all	distancing tape,	
	are not being followed.		section/group leaders and	advice poster, floor	
Delivery		 Wearing of face masks is advised. 	interested parties prior to any	markings etc to be	
personnel			room hire and placed on the SCA	secured by:	
		A common-sense approach to distancing	website.		
		should be adhered to.		Wendy Gill	
			Advise all section/group leaders	Sarah Guest	
		Advice on symptoms and resulting actions.	of requirement to make list of	Tony Guest	
			attendees' names and contact	Maggie	
		All users/volunteers to be encouraged to wash hands	details.	Sinclair	
		regularly and/or use hand sanitiser – hand sanitiser gel			
		situated in every room/area.	Staff/volunteers/users may need	Lettings updated	
			guidance as to general	information to be	
		Volunteer helpers in bar/kitchen advised to wear a face	cleaning/tidying duties following	completed by	
		mask and/or sneeze screen.	an event.	Wendy Gill	
			All user groups to be provided		
			with a copy of this risk		
			assessment.		
			All users and user groups should		
			be advised that the preferred		
			meeting payment method is		
			payment through BACS/bank		
			transfer. This is not possible for		
			some groups. Meeting subs can		
			be paid in the usual way, by		
			cheque or cash, which should be		
			collected/dropped into an		
			envelope/bag and sealed before		
			it is passed on to the letting's		
			secretary.		

All areas and	Risk of close contact with	Room capacity limits (Normal)	Where feasible leave all doors,	Contract cleaner –	
rooms	other users	Main hall – 70	(including fire doors at east end	Daily	
		Lounge – 35	of ground and first floor corridors)	2 hours	
	Contact with door handles,	Swinhoe – 25	open, whenever the hall is in use,		
	light switches, staircase	Oldham – 30	to reduce contact with door		
	handrails, lift mechanism.	Chetwynd – 25	handles/finger plates.		
	Contact with table and	Kell – 25	Datus as of how an accuracy of to sit		
		Lift Omenie formusels odvised	Patrons of bar encouraged to sit		
	chair surfaces.	Lift – 2 people – facemasks advised.	in the lounge rather than the bar		
		0	which has very limited space –		
		Common-sense approach to contact/distancing -1m+ where possible	signage on doors.		
			Advise all user groups to open		
		All areas and rooms to be cleaned daily by contracted	doors and windows to maximise		
		cleaning staff.	air flow where feasible and		
			appropriate.		
		Ensure all regular 'touch points' throughout the building			
		are cleaned regularly.	Use extractor fans in the main hall. Lounge and bar		
		Rooms to be ventilated through fans/open windows and doors.	Trail. Lourigo arra bar		
		Staff/volunteers provided with protective masks, aprons, and disposable gloves – to use if they wish.			
		Provide hand sanitiser in entrance foyer, landing and all rooms.			
		Provide additional waste bins, in entrance hall, each meeting room. Empty regularly			
		Remove all reusable items from all rooms such E.g., beer mats.			
		Where a confirmed or suspected case of COVID 19 is			
		known to have been in the building the areas used will			

		be cleaned in accordance with the PHE Guidance COVID 19: cleaning in non-healthcare settings.		
Kitchen	Contact with door handles, light switches, tabletop surfaces, equipment, utensils etc. Manage legionella risks when hot and cold-water system is used after being idle	People capacity: 4 Advice to wash hands thoroughly and regularly. All kitchen surfaces, sink, equipment, and utensils to be cleaned by contracted cleaner. All water taps to run for 5 minutes if the system has been idle. If more than one group using the kitchen, a rota should be set up, and/or upstairs groups to use a kettle upstairs.	Users advised to bring their own drinking container/biscuits/snack – Advised not to share. Kettle available for use in the upstairs rooms (on request) Cleaning materials provided Safety advice posters prominently placed	
Gents & Ladies/Disabled Toilets		Outer and inner doors of Gents & Ladies kept open. Disabled toilet door kept open when not in use. Hand washing soap and paper towels to be made available. Regular cleaning of all toilet areas. Hirers to be encouraged to wash hands. Hand sanitiser available.	All toilets cleaned each day of opening by contracted cleaner Safety advice posters prominently situated	

		Cleaning equipment available.		
Car park, paths. front entrance, side entrance, rear entrance	Social distancing is not observed as people congregate before entering premises Parking area is too congested to allow social distancing People drop tissues Contamination from bins lids and handles	Cleaner asked to check area outside doors for rubbish which might be contaminated, e.g. tissues. Wear plastic gloves and remove. Groups/sections/members advised not to arrive too early – advised to stagger arrival.	Transitory lapses in social distancing in outside areas are less risky, the main risk is likely to be where people congregate or for vulnerable people Ordinary litter collection arrangements can remain in place. Provide plastic gloves Keep front and side door open	
Storage Rooms Cellar Boiler room Attic Beer store	Social distancing more difficult Door handles and light switches Equipment needing to be moved	All areas locked – Trustees have control of these areas. Any person wishing to access the cellar or attic must gain permission from a Trustee – book date/time. Nominated Trustee to control access and handling of stored equipment. People advised to wear disposable (one use) protective gloves.	Rota for essential maintenance – cleaning of bar lines/stocking bar etc Named volunteers and set time for work to take place	
Lawns & Gardens (STC)	Risk of contact with other users if outdoor social distancing measures are not followed	Permission to use the lawns and gardens should be obtained from Sedgefield Town Council prior to any planned event or meeting. Tables/chairs well-spaced on lawns.	Outside area may be used by user groups where possible and appropriate to reduce transmission risk	

Contact with table a chair surfaces	Limit number of tables and chairs – E.g., seating for 30 people.	Outdoor pedestal tables and chairs stored in the cellar – User	
		to request use.	
	Advice posters prominently situated.		
		Back doors kept open – hooked back.	
		Advice to keep noise to a minimum.	

Date: July 15th 2021 Signed:

Sarah J Guest

Names and titles of person/people responsible - Trustees: Chairman Wendy Gill, Sarah Guest, Tony Guest, Maggie Sinclair

Review details: This Risk assessment will be subject to regular review in accordance with Government/Public Health guidance