BLUE BOAR HOUSE COVID-19

Risk assessment Sept 2020

Covid-19 is a new illness that can affect your lungs and airways. It is caused by a virus called Coronavirus.

Symptoms can be mild, moderate, severe or fatal.

What are the hazards?

The spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus.

The transmission of COVID-19 is thought to occur mainly through respiratory droplets generated by coughing and sneezing, and through contact with contaminated surfaces. The predominant modes of transmission are assumed to be droplet and contact.

Who might be harmed?

- Staff
- Visitors
- Cleaners
- Delivery drivers
- Contractors
- Vulnerable groups Elderly, Pregnant workers, those with existing underlying health conditions
- Anyone else who physically comes in contact with you in relation to your business

Guidance used

- Working safely during COVID-19 in offices and contact centres by gov.uk
- 5 steps to working safely by gov.uk
- Transmission characteristics and principles of infection prevention and control by gov.uk

Hand Washing Hand washing facilities with soap and water in place. Stringent hand washing taking place. See hand washing guidance. https://www.nhs.uk/ive-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/ Staff encouraged to protect the skin by applying emollient cream regularly https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/emollients/ Gel sanitisers in any area where washing facilities not readily available We strongly advise that you use the Hand sanitiser as you enter BBH to reduce the risk of spreading the Corona virus Employees to be reminded on a regular/frequent basis to wash their hands for 20 seconds with water and soap and the importance of proper drying with the hand dryers. Also reminded to catch coughs and sneezes in tissues – Follow Catch it, Bin it, Kill it and to avoid touching face, eyes, nose or mouth with unclean hands. Encourage staff to report any problems and carry out skin checks as part of a skin surveillance programme https://www.hse.gov.uk/skin/professional/health-surveillance.htm To help reduce the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) reminding everyone of the public health advice Have posters, leaflets on display as a constant reminder	Controls Required	Additional Controls	Action by who?	Action by when?	Done
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Cleaning during the day			
Frequently cleaning and disinfecting objects and surfaces that are touched regularly – Maybe 11am and 2.15pm Door handles and push plates Auto door push pads Stair handrails Passenger lift buttons/Handrail Reception - sign in area	Rigorous checks will be carried out by line managers to ensure that the necessary procedures are being followed.		
Office staff cleaning before they leave Completely clear their desk work top and disinfect plus chair arm rests and adjusters, plus keyboard, mouse and phone	Always spray onto the cloth never direct onto electrical equipment		
Cleaning by professional cleaners Upgraded cleaning schedule given to cleaners	Have cleaning contractor sign off daily that they have completed outlined tasks		

Using BBH Tea Points			
Stringent hand washing must take place prior to use of Tea Points	Minimise the transfer of Covid-19 by thoroughly washing hands before touching any equipment in this area		
Do not prepare food and drinks for anyone else to reduce the risk of Covid- 19 transfer	This includes bowls of sweets, snacks etc		
Only one person at a time to use a Tea point			
Hand towels and tea towels have been removed	Use only the paper hand towels for drying your hands		
Dishwasher only to clean/dry dirty pots and cutlery	Only the dishwashers should be used for washing		
<u>Using BBH Kitchens</u>	and drying dirty cups, plates, etc.		
Stringent hand washing must take place prior to use of kitchens	The emptying of the dishwasher must be done whilst wearing disposable gloves		
Do not prepare food and drinks for anyone else to reduce the risk of Covid- 19 transfer			
Only one or two people at a time to food prep at the units	Grubbs kitchen – two people can social distance whilst preparing their lunch etc		
Hand towels and tea towels have been removed	Inter-Varsity kitchen – One person at a time to use		
Dishwasher only to clean dirty pots and cutlery	this space		
	Prepare your food as much as possible before leaving home to reduce the time you need in a BBH kitchen		
	Dishwashing by hand is not permitted as there is the greater possibility of transferring the virus. Please use the dishwashing machines.		

Social Distancing			
Social Distancing - Reducing the number of persons in any work area to comply with the 2-metre (6.5 foot) gap recommended by the Public Health Agency	Staff to be reminded on a daily basis of the importance of social distancing both in the workplace and outside of it.		
Review Work schedules in the following areas:	Management checks to ensure this is adhered to.		
Start & finish work times (shifts)			
Start and finish break/lunch times			
Decide if some staff continue to work from home			
Relocate some staff in BBH and cordon off some workstations	UCCF use DJ's & Barclay rooms plus third floor rooms		
	IFES use Map room & Gen Sec office plus ground floor rooms		
Toilets allocated to each organisation	UCCF 2 nd & 3 rd floor toilets		
	IFES Ground and 1 st floors, the ladies toilets have just one cubicle available so one in one out.		
Increase eat/canteen areas using redundant room hire space	UCCF – use Grubbs		
Create one-way systems in corridors	IFES – use Inter-Varsity UCCF – exit open plan office by the finance door always re-enter by the lift/toilet door IFES – exit open plan office by the Map Room door always re-enter by the lift/toilet door		

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Fit Dorgard devices to some doors to minimise the need to handle doors on high use routes.	Third floor – Grubbs door from the landing/lift UCCF – The door near the lift IFES – The door near the Map room from open office Ground – The door at the base of stairs opposite side door		
Passenger lift to be used by one person at a time			
Conference calls/Zoom etc to be used instead of face to face meetings. Suspend visitors to BBH	Visitors to BBH are suspended this will be reviewed as the transfer rate reduces		
Suspend room hire	Room hire should be reviewed as the transfer rate reduces, starting with Oxford Pastorate and local Staff Workers/Relay Workers		
Passing 2m apart on the stairs is not possible	The person descending should stand aside to allow anybody climbing the stairs to pass		
Hot Desking Hot desking is currently suspended as these desks likely will be used to help social distance regular office workers			

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Regular desks/workstations				
Workers must be 2M apart and not facing each other without the use of				
screens	B est practise is working side by side or back to back			
	Alongside this increased ventilation is advised, opening windows and using Dorgard devices will			
	also help. Increasing ventilation is vital, windows open to increase ventilation will be prioritised over temperature comfort.			
	Use signage on all desks that should not be used to keep the 2 metre distance			
Partitioning Screens	A screen protecting both desk spaces from any			
Reception desk partition required once reception is opened again	visitor and delivery drivers			
Office space desks	If its not possible to space 2M apart and more desks are required then partition screens will need to be erected.			
Touching/Handling Other Items				
Try not to touch other surfaces or items, if you do then cleaning them is advised				
Phones other than your own	Best practise is to have your personal marker pens that would not be left at the whiteboard, high users			
Whiteboards and markers – markers and rubbers have been removed Touchpads and remotes	could personally keep the board rubbers others could use the blue paper towel.			
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As you move about the building its advisable to have a piece of paper towel at the ready to:			
Call the lift Pull or push a door Light Switches Operate random pieces of equipment Etc etc			
After use throw away and get a new piece			
In toilet rooms use toilet tissue to flush the toilet or turn taps on/off			
Use the same locker do not share	Keep the key to the locker once you use it, if you no longer wish to use that locker then you must clean the inside, the door and key. Then leave the key in the lock		
Using BBH Basement			
Extra care is required in the basement to distance from each other	No option to use a one way system and narrow corridors will require extra care to avoid each other be willing to step aside to let others pass safely. Leave lights on once switched on this will reduce the possibility of transferring the virus through constant use of light switches		

<u>Using Showers in the Basement</u>			
One person only in the shower room at a time, lock the main door to ensure this			
After use the shower cubicle must be squeegeed dry and any controls, handles etc wiped using the supplied disinfectant			
No personal items at all to be left outside your locker including towels	Take your wet towels back home with you each day		
The showers will be professionally cleaned also each evening			
Transport/Commute & the public			
Aim to not use public transport to get to work	Where possible use personal transport or walk, talk		
	to your team leader with any issues surrounding this item		
C onsider bringing a packed lunch with you to work	As opposed to the extra risk of daily social		
	distancing risks in busy city centre shops		

Emergency at Work In an emergency, for example, an accident or fire, people do not have to stay 2m apart if it would be unsafe.	People involved in the provision of assistance to others should pay particular attention to sanitation measures immediately afterwards including washing hands.		
PPE Public Health guidance on the use of PPE (personal protective equipment) to protect against COVID-19 relates to health care settings. In all other settings individuals are asked to observe social distancing measures and practice good hand hygiene behaviours Wearing of Gloves Where Risk Assessment identifies wearing of gloves as a requirement of the job, an adequate supply of these will be provided. Staff will be instructed on how to remove gloves carefully to reduce contamination and how to dispose of them safely.	Staff to be reminded that wearing of gloves is not a substitute for good hand washing.		

Wearing of face masks There should be no circumstance where a face mask is required for work requested in BBH, however we shall provide suitable masks and fitting instruction should the need arise for a specific task Employers should support their workers in using face coverings safely if they choose to wear one. These would not be the same masks used by Health and Care Workers but rather a homemade type; guidance on how to do this can be found on GOV.UK This means telling workers: • Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water for 20 seconds or use hand sanitiser before putting a face covering on, and after removing it. • When wearing a face covering, avoid touching your face or face covering, as you could contaminate them with germs from your hands. Change your face covering if it becomes damp or if you've touched it. Continue to wash your hands regularly. Change and wash your face covering daily. • If the material is washable, wash in line with manufacturer's instructions. If it's not washable, dispose of it carefully in your usual waste. • Practise social distancing wherever possible. • You can make face-coverings at home and can find guidance on how to do this and use them safely on GOV.UK. Signage Toilets can have the handwash guidance. 2M apart Signs should be positioned in key places signs should be placed several times in all areas. The passenger lift with reminder of one person at a time. Desks not in use should be signed as such

<u>Delivery drivers</u>			
Procedures in place for allowing delivery drivers to access welfare facilities when supplying the office - Reference	Ensure reception staff know to allow delivery drivers access to toilets etc.		
https://www.hse.gov.uk/news/drivers-transport-delivery-coronavirus.htm	Wipe any likely surfaces touched immediately after they leave		
A specific area for reception delivery parcels	A clearly marked area shall be marked out for delivery drivers/postmen to leave packages		
Personal deliveries Limit personal deliveries to BBH	Until the transfer risk lowers considerably, limit personal deliveries to BBH so that we reduce the footfall into reception as much as is practicable		
Contractors in the building Only essential projects allowed Restrict access to the area where they need to work Dedicate a toilet/washroom to the contractor whilst on site Remind contractor of social distancing, show welfare facility location including hand sanitiser	Have a sign on the toilet/washroom advising this is temporarily for contractor use only. Sanitise after contractor leaves Have a sign close by the work area advising restricted access contractor working in this area		

Symptoms of Covid-19 If anyone becomes unwell with a new continuous cough or a high temperature in the workplace, they will be sent home and advised to follow the stay at home guidance. Line managers will maintain regular contact with staff members during this time. If advised that a member of staff or public has developed Covid-19 and were recently on our premises (including where a member of staff has visited other work place premises such as domestic premises), the management team of the workplace will contact the Public Health Authority to discuss the case, identify people who have been in contact with them and will take advice on any actions or precautions that should be taken. **Mental Health** Management will promote mental health & wellbeing awareness to staff Line managers will offer support to staff who are during the Coronavirus outbreak and will offer whatever support they can to affected by Coronavirus or has a family member help affected. Reference https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/coronavirus-and-your-Regular communication of mental health wellbeing/ information and open door policy for those who need additional support.