

Considerations regarding Covid -19 precautions from 4th July 2020 until further notice
(updated 3rd August)

With the Government allowing the reopening of Churches for public worship from July 4th it is important that we put in place measures to reduce the risk of transmitting/catching Covid-19, so the following is a list of the actions we feel are necessary to implement in order that we may join together in the Chapel for services of worship.

Shielding	No one in the high risk group should attend
Symptom's	A notice asking people displaying classic covid-19 symptoms to stay away
Social distancing	There will be notices reminding people to keep 2m apart. Pews will be taped off to facilitate 2m distancing. It will mean some of us having to use different seats. Pews will be designated for visitors
Reducing Cross contamination	Use the same bibles/hymnbooks (see note below) for each service. Those choosing hymns to restrict their choice to one book, Psalms and Hymns. Visitors to collect their bibles in the foyer and leave them in the seats at the end of the service. These will not be reused for 7 days. Gents to use the outside loo/ females the one in the Sunday School. Paper towels to be used for drying hands. Hand sanitizer provided in the foyer Door handles to be sanitized before/after services.
Online provision	For those unable to attend, the services will be relayed via Webex, the Minister will speak from the table at the front as on previous occasions. A decision on how prayer meetings will be conducted will made after we see how the first Sunday works out.
Hymn Singing	At the moment this seems to be specifically banned so we will comply with the restrictions. It might be possible to play hymns on the computer and the congregation listen to them.
Lord's Supper	Each communicant to bring their own bread and glass.
Hospitality	Hospitality will be dealt with on a week by week basis in discussion with the minister.
Masks	Face coverings are required from 8 th August. Please bring your own if possible, but there will also be a limited supply in the foyer.