

Risk Assessment

Activity Assessed	Re-opening to visitors following COVID-19
Location	Forest Arts Centre

Hazard	Who could be harmed and how?	Control measures in place
Covid-19 infection transmission – Visitor Arrival	<p>Visitors</p> <p>Risk of serious illness</p> <p>Harm to mental wellbeing due to fear and anxiety</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitor capacity limited at any given time – limits in place for individual rooms/activities • Pre-booking required for all onsite visitors • Track and Trace system in place to collect visitor details • Start and end times for activities staggered • Safe outdoor space available queuing, if required • Automatic doors in operation at entrance • Signage to inform visitors of measures being taken and expected behavior • Hand sanitiser station available
Covid-19 infection transmission – Visitor / Staff Interactions	<p>Staff, Visitors</p> <p>Risk of serious illness</p> <p>Harm to mental wellbeing due to fear and anxiety</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perspex screens installed at all customer service counters and bar • Team members wear face coverings at all times in public areas • Hand sanitiser stations available • Cashless transactions available at all points of sale • Contactless donation points available • Signage throughout venue to promote social distancing and good hygiene • Team members trained on appropriate social distancing and personal hygiene measures

Covid-19 infection transmission – High Traffic Areas	Staff, Visitors, Contractors Risk of serious illness Harm to mental wellbeing due to fear and anxiety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signage throughout venue to promote social distancing and good hygiene • High traffic areas to be checked and cleaned every 2 hours • Staggered start and end times for activities
Covid-19 infection transmission – Toilets	Staff, Visitors, Contractors Risk of serious illness Harm to mental wellbeing due to fear and anxiety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toilets open and available to visitors • Signage indicating hand and user hygiene inside the toilet facilities • All toilets will be cleaned every 2 hours • Numbers limited in toilet facilities • Hand sanitiser readily available in the toilet facilities
Covid-19 infection transmission – Classes and workshops	Staff, Visitors Risk of serious illness Harm to mental wellbeing due to fear and anxiety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class capacities reduced - maximum 8 participants in Dance Studio, 9 participants in Workshop • Some classes temporarily suspended or available online • All tutors and participants required to wear face coverings throughout any indoor classes and workshops (with exemptions as indicated by government guidelines) • Each participant to use their own equipment, and where this is not possible equipment to be cleaned between uses • Furniture and work stations moved to support social distancing in Workshop • Markings on the floor of the Dance Studio to support social distancing • One-way system in operation for the Dance Studio • Classrooms and shared equipment cleaned after each session • Start and end times for classes and workshops staggered • Refunds permitted for customers unable to attend due to illness or self-isolation • Signage throughout venue to promote social distancing and good hygiene • Hand sanitiser readily available for all visitors
Covid-19 infection transmission – Theatre	Staff, visitors, visiting artists Risk of serious illness Harm to mental wellbeing due to fear and anxiety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited Capacity in theatre of 40 – socially distanced • Amended seating plan implemented at booking stage to allow for social distancing • Signage placed on seats not in use to support social distancing • Face coverings required for all attendees to events • Air conditioning systems set in a fixed position to direct air away from audience • Roof mounted extract fans operational while theatre in use • Cleaning completed after each event • Hand sanitiser readily available for all visitors

<p>Covid-19 infection transmission – Live streaming</p>	<p>Staff, visiting artists</p> <p>Risk of serious illness Harm to mental wellbeing due to fear and anxiety</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual risk assessment completed for each performance/event • Attendees limited to essential participants and ticket holders only • Safety briefing conducted for all participants on arrival • Social distancing to be observed • Each performer to use their own equipment where possible. If not possible equipment should be dedicated to one user only • All equipment to be cleaned after use • Hand sanitiser readily available for all
<p>Covid-19 infection transmission – Café and bar</p>	<p>Staff, Visitors</p> <p>Risk of serious illness</p> <p>Harm to mental wellbeing due to fear and anxiety</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Café and bar open with table service or takeaway only • Face coverings required for all customers when not consuming products • Perspex screens installed at payment point • Cashless transactions available at all points of sale • Indoor seating reduced and spaced at 2m distances • Only pre-packaged food available and all hot drinks to be served in environmentally friendly disposable cups • Single serve one-off consumables provided eg. sugar sticks, stirrers, milk pots • Staff minimising product handling during transactions • Children’s toys and books temporarily removed • Signage throughout venue to promote social distancing and good hygiene
<p>Covid-19 infection transmission – Person displaying symptoms</p>	<p>Staff, Visitors, Contractors</p> <p>Risk of serious illness Harm to mental wellbeing due to fear and anxiety</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team members instructed to remain at home if displaying any symptoms or to follow the latest government guidance if they are informed they are clinically extremely vulnerable from COVID-19 • Anyone displaying clear symptoms whilst on the premises will be asked to leave and any surfaces they came into contact with will be cleaned immediately • Visitor details recorded in GDPR compliant way to ensure cooperation with track and trace requirements
<p>Covid-19 infection transmission – Emergency situations</p>	<p>Staff, Volunteers, Visitors Contractors</p> <p>Risk of serious illness</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evacuations – exiting the building safely is the priority in case of emergency. Staff and visitors do not have to stay 2m apart if it would be unsafe. Where the threat to life is greater and/or more imminent than from COVID-19, normal procedures should apply. • Those involved in the provision of first aid to others should pay particular attention to sanitation measures immediately afterwards, including washing hands.

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