

# Generic risk assessment – Coronavirus (COVID-19)

General workplace risk assessment in relation to coronavirus management

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## **Change record**

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## Risk Assessment

Assessors Name Elspeth Jenkins	Date/Time of Assessment 08/01/21
Review Date: Ongoing	
RA Reference:	
Location of activity Community Alternat	ives
20 Cecil Street	
Coatbridge ML5 4A	J

				ing risk hood		
		1 Remote	2 Unlikely	3 Possible	4 Likely	5 Certain
Severity -	1 Trivial	1	2	3	4	5
	2 Minor	2	4	6	8	10
	3 Lost time	3	6	9	12	15
	4 Major	4	8	12	16	20
	5 Fatal	5	10	15	20	25

Activity Details
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Hazard	Who could be harmed	Current Controls	Risk Rating LxS=R	Further Controls Required	Residual Risk
Exposure to coronavirus	Council employee Other visitors	<ul> <li>Access and egress points are controlled and reduced to a minimum to make risk control measures easier to implement and monitor</li> <li>Restricted access to the building by visitors and maintenance staff.</li> <li>All visitors and staff to wear face masks on entry to and moving around the building</li> <li>Test and trace details provided on entry for all staff and visitors</li> <li>Hand sanitisation points are placed and marked clearly at</li> </ul>	4 4 4	•	

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		all entrance and exit points. Staff politely direct all staff and visitors to use them when entering and leaving the building.  Perspex screens have been erected at reception to prevent cross contamination Signage throughout the building re use of masks, social distancing and hand sanitisers	4		
		Contact points eg doors are cleaned more frequently by cleaning staff however cleaning staff are not available at all times when the building is occupied. Currently cleaning staff are on site twice daily	12		
		<ul> <li>Cleaning materials ie bactericidal wipes are available throughout the building for staff so that they can continuously self-clean their work areas and photocopier throughout the day. Hand sanitiser in pump action and non contact containers are available in every work area and at main travel routes through a building.</li> <li>Cleaning operatives are</li> </ul>	4		
		using appropriate certificated virucidal cleaners and wipes for daily preventative	4		

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		cleaning with clear usage methodology.  Windows throughout the building are opened to ensure adequate ventilation  Advisory signage is displayed throughout the building, especially at entrances and exits.Refresh and update regularly in line with current Health Protection Scotland advice.  Arranged distribution of information on how to hand wash effectively particularly in toilet areas.  50% of staff are working in the building at any time and 50% at home. A rota is in place to avoid unneccesary mixing of the staff group  Staff allocated a specific desk in order to avoid cross contamination and to ensure	4 4 8		
		<ul> <li>Senior staff may need to work across subteams ro provide adequate senior cover however have individual rooms</li> <li>Staff are discouraged from wearing neck ties and scarves.</li> <li>Video conferencing is used for meetings with other professionals and agencies</li> </ul>	8 8		

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		Promote Health Protection Scotland guidance on action to be taken by building users if they have, or suspect they have, symptoms associated with coronavirus.	4		
		The building will be closed to some, or all, building users depending on suspected or confirmed coronavirus cases in line with current NLC guidance	12		
		Limit use of building by service users while recognising that sometimes this will have to happen. Increased cleaning of rooms before and after use.	12		
		PPE available for use by all staff. This is monitored by admin staff.	4		
		Pool vehicles have sanitising wipes and spray in place and are cleaned before and after use by each staff member.	4		

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## Summary of Action Required

Action Required	Responsible Person	Timescale for Completion	Date Completed

The contents of this risk assessment are an accurate reflection of the activities being undertaken and appropriate control measures to be implemented or maintained to ensure the activity can be undertaken whilst protecting the health safety and welfare of employees and anyone else who could be affected. The content of the risk assessment will be made known to employees, controls implemented and monitored and a review carried out either annually or when a change to circumstances dictates.

Signed: Elspeth Jenkins	
Date: 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	

### **Further information**

Health Protection Scotland <a href="https://www.hps.scot.nhs.uk/">https://www.hps.scot.nhs.uk/</a>

Health and Safety Executive <a href="https://www.hse.gov.uk/">https://www.hse.gov.uk/</a>

Health and Safety Executive, Managing risks and risk assessment at work

https://www.hse.gov.uk/simple-health-safety/risk/index.htm?utm\_source=hse.gov.uk&utm\_medium=refferal&utm\_campaign=risk&utm\_content=home-page-info