



**Covid-19 Risk Assessment – Greenmount Cricket Club**  
**Date of Risk Assessment – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2020, updated subsequently on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2020,**  
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### **Introduction**

The Novel coronavirus SARS-coV-2 is responsible for the current pandemic disease COVID-19.

There are two modes of transmission:-

1. Via airborne virus particles from those infected via coughing, sneezing, speaking, and breathing. Anyone near an infected person may inhale such particles.
2. Similarly objects nearby may become contaminated and anyone who touches such objects or contaminated individuals may infect themselves if they touch their face, in particular their eyes nose and mouth where it could enter the airways causing respiratory and/or cardiovascular disease.

Possible symptoms include:

- No symptoms
- High temperature – this means hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure temperature)
- New continuous cough-this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours.
- Loss or change to sense of smell or taste.

Elderly persons and those with underlying medical conditions are more at risk.

Greenmount Cricket Club is a licensed club selling alcohol. There are more than 5 members of staff covering opening times from 1600hrs Monday to Friday and 1200hrs Saturday and Sunday. The club is licensed to sell alcohol till 2300hrs Monday to Thursday, midnight on Friday & Saturday and 2230hrs on Sunday, from 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 we will be closing at 8pm Monday to Thursday and 9pm Friday to Sunday, although we will review this as daylight hours lengthen and temperatures rise.

The premises are predominantly on the ground floor consisting of a members' bar and a larger function room with a small kitchen. The kitchen is not open to guests. Each bar has male and female toilets.

Upstairs is an office and a small function room that is booked prior to use.

The club has followed the HSE guide to the 5 steps to risk assessment and followed the government advice at [HTTP://www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) and [HTTP://www.HSE.gov.uk](http://www.HSE.gov.uk). The risk assessment has also been updated to reflect the guidance received from the LCF on 14<sup>th</sup> April relating to agreements signed off by legal teams at the ECB in respect of Government (DCMS) legislation.

### **Risk Identification**

To identify the risk, we



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- Consulted the authoritative sources of information above
- Talked to our employees about the health and safety issues and concerns regarding Sars-covid-2
- We were also aware of primary legislation relating to the public health (control of Disease) act 1984; Coronavirus Regulations and the amended RIDDOR regulations. The NHS website was also consulted.

We then wrote down who could be harmed by the sars-covid-2 virus and how they could be infected.

For each risk we wrote down what controls, if any, were in place to manage these risks. We then compared these controls to the guidance we had read. Where existing controls were not up to standard, we looked at what was needed to be done to bring these up to a good standard.

The risk assessment will be put up on a wall for everyone to see.

The risk assessment will be reassessed as government advice changes or following any suspected cases.

### **Hazards, Risk and Mitigation**

The hazard is from Sars-Covid-2 in all instances.

The risk is to staff, directors, members and guests.

The risk comes from catching Covid-Sars-2 from one of the following.

1. Each other
2. Surfaces and equipment in the club for example:-
  - a. the bar tops, door handles, toilets, taps and sinks, glasses, tables, pool cues, pool balls, darts, hand pumps, money, and food packaging, although this is by no means an exhaustive list.

### **How long does Sars-Covid-2 last?**

Plastic 3-7 Days

Stainless Steel 3-7 Days

Copper up to 4 Days

Paper up to 4 Days

Glass up to 4 Days

Cardboard 24 Hours



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Wood up to 2 Days

**Plans for the club opening from 12<sup>th</sup> April – mitigation of risk**

From 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021, we will be able to open to the bar for outside use only. For the purposes of this risk assessment the defined area for hospitality will be all the benches and tables around the ground, on the veranda and on specific parts of the car park as these are the usual places that people drink at / from in normal circumstances. Discussions with GMP Licensing team have confirmed that whilst regulations refer to table service, we are able to serve customers who are sat down, be it on benches or indeed on chairs that they have brought themselves. Customers will only be able to order drinks when sat down and will need to remain seated when consuming drinks. We will only be serving GCC members and club members for our opposition. All patrons will be required to abide by the rule of 6 and maintain social distancing at all times. These details will be advertised around the clubhouse / ground and GCC officials will be regularly circling the ground reminding patrons of the rules / regulations. Club members will be advised of these regulations through the Chairman's regular newsletter and they will also be posted on the club's website. Anyone continually refusing to abide by the regulations will be asked to leave.

Numbers of staff required will vary by shift / day but bar staff will be required to wear mask / visors as appropriate when taking drinks orders from waiting on staff. Bar staff will be expected to regularly clean bar tops and will be reminded to hold glasses at the bottom when pouring drinks in line with best practice. Waiting on staff will be required to wear masks / visors when inside the clubhouse but could for ease and clarity of communication take them off when outside as transmission risks are much reduced outside. Bar staff and waiting on staff will be required to maintain social distancing at all times and to use the hand sanitizer at regular intervals. Customers will be requested to continue to pay for their purchases using card rather than cash. All staff will be asked to regularly wash / sanitize their hands. The risk of transmission will also be reduced with the use of plastic glasses.

**Toilets**

For the period from 12<sup>th</sup> April, patrons will be requested to use the toilets in the Function Room, abiding by the one in / one out principle and maintaining social distancing when queuing. Toilets will have vacant / occupied slides on the door to help in this and there will be signs on the floor advising patrons where to stand. The function room will be cordoned off to allow patrons just to use the toilets without impacting on the bar / waiting on staff. Bar and waiting on staff will be required to use the members' bar toilets. All toilets have hand sanitizing stations outside them. On match days cricket players and officials will also be using the members' bar toilets and will abide by one in /one out principles and social distancing policies.

**Function Room**



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Bar / waiting on staff will use the doors to the left of the function room (as you look at it from the veranda) whilst patrons using the toilets will use the doors on the right hand side of the function room. Signs will be in place advising everyone of these protocols.

Track and trace will be captured through the use of tills whereby a download will be taken each night detailing which members have been served. Members of opposition clubs will be asked to complete a separate form for track and trace purposes for them and the NHS QR code will also be available throughout the grounds for people to log in on.

### **Club opening on Match Days**

Advice received from the LCF on 14<sup>th</sup> April reflecting the ECB guidance on what to do on match days confirms that only those people accessing hospitality can watch the game of cricket. “Pure” spectators, ie those not people not accessing hospitality are unfortunately not permitted to attend recreational sport until the 17<sup>th</sup> May at the earliest, the only exception this relates to a parent, suitable adult or carer who can attend to supervise junior players or vulnerable adults. Spectators who don’t fall into this exception will be asked to leave the ground. Customers accessing hospitality will need to abide by various rules noted above around social distancing, rule of 6, only drinking when sitting down etc.

This risk assessment assumes that the banning of spectators at recreational sport applies to match days and not to training. The logic behind this is that those attending junior practice will be covered by the safeguarding / supervising exception related to junior players in anycase, whilst those in attendance at senior practice are accessing hospitality and have no interest in the cricket practice that is going on.

The overriding principle throughout the whole week, be it on match or not match days, is that we will provide a safe environment for people to come and we will be asking them in turn to abide by what we think of as currently being the 3 key principles of :-

- Maintaining appropriate social distancing throughout their stay
- Abiding by “the rule of 6”
- Sitting down whilst drinking

Continued refusal to abide by the regulations will lead to the errant person / people being asked to leave the ground.