



## COVID-19 Update for the April 2021 Council meeting

### **1. Officers / Employees - working from home and lateral flow testing**

Officers and staff continue to combine working both from home and at Council facilities. Family and medical requirements/needs for all employees continue to be taken into consideration when reviewing working environments. Voluntary employee Lateral flow testing is being considered for implementation.

### **2. Hire of Town Council Facilities / Hand sanitisers**

Council Chambers facilities will be re-opening to hirers, as per the Government roadmap. The Rame Group Practice are continuing to use the facility for vaccination clinics.

### **3. Library and Community Hub**

Limited services will resume as part of the re-opening on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April at the Library and Community Hub.

### **4. Befriending Service**

The service is still being considered to be set up in the future.

### **5. Public Conveniences**

Remain open with an increased regular cleaning regime being implemented by the Operations Team.

### **6. Play Parks and Skate Park**

Remain open. Covid-19 signs, from Cornwall Council, advising safe messages in parks, are being displayed.

### **7. Return to physical meetings – CALC update**

The Coronavirus Act 2020 and the Virtual Meetings Regulations 2020 will come to an end on **7<sup>th</sup> May 2021** and the ability to hold virtual meetings will cease. The CALC continues to lobby Government to extend the facility to ensure that the option to meet virtually is retained and it is now time to consider what a return to physical meetings might mean for Members, staff and community. This Council operates a Covid-19 secure facility whereby physical meetings could safely return, however, this would need to be agreed by ALL members of the new Council, plus Officers.

### **8. Fore Street – non essential shops re-opening**

Pavement stencils have been re-sprayed. Signs giving guidance with social distancing are being displayed. Bunting is being put up on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April, to encourage a safe return to shopping in the high street.

Town Clerk & RFO  
9<sup>th</sup> April 2021