

Notes on Rivington Chapel COVID measures for services from 19 July 2021

A revised risk assessment has been written following the introduction of Step 4 of the Government's Roadmap. This will be put on our web page for anyone who wishes to see it.

COVID-19 guidance from the Government with regards to Places of Worship is now mainly non-existent with the emphasis being placed on personal responsibility. There is still however a requirement for a risk assessment to be produced. This has been done, and the notes below provide a summary of the latest risk assessment

What the Chapel is doing to help you stay safe

- Hand sanitiser will still be available on entry/exit from the Chapel
- The main doors will be open before/after services to provide as much ventilation as possible, although this will be weather dependent
- All surfaces, hymnbooks etc. will be wiped down if they are required to be used within 48 hours of the previous use
- The collection box will be set in one place and handled by one individual, as opposed to being passed around
- A QR code will be available to use the NHS test and trace app, or alternatively visitors' details can be collected on forms available in the pews. Any details will be destroyed after 21 days, and the provision of the data is voluntary
- Copies of these notes will be placed in the pews

What you can do to help yourself and other stay safe

- Please do not attend the service if you or a household member are showing any symptoms of COVID-19
- On arrival or departure from the Chapel please use the sanitiser that will be provided
- Although we won't be operating a one-way system into and out of the Chapel, please follow any signage being used by the Tea Room to gain access through the grounds
- Please consider the welfare of others and not just your own
- Please follow these recommendations:
 - Wear a face covering when moving around the building as this is the time you are most likely to come into close contact with others
 - Wear a face covering if you are within 2 metres of anyone not in your household
 - Do not share a pew with anyone not in your household without first checking that the other person/household are happy for you to do so
 - When singing hymns, or doing a reading, try and face away from anyone not in your household
 - The worship leader should also try and maintain an appropriate distance from the congregation
 - Avoid standing in the doorways or in the aisles between the pews for any longer than necessary to enter/leave the building

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