

## - Grayshott Village Hall -

### Information for User Groups Following the end of 'Plan B' COVID Restrictions

From 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022 'Plan B' measures introduced in December to help combat the spread of the Omicron variant of COVID-19 will end and we understand that the guidance in place before 10<sup>th</sup> December, which is reproduced below, will apply. The information given here is provided in good faith to assist users but must not be taken to supersede any statutory requirements particularly as the interpretation of government guidance may still evolve.

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From Step 4 of the Roadmap (19<sup>th</sup> July 2021) legal restrictions on the size of gatherings and the requirement for social distancing have been removed. We understand that it is likely that further information relevant to Village Halls will be issued by government/national bodies and consequently the information given below may be subject to change.

- COVID related capacity restrictions have been removed:
  - The normal (pre-Covid) capacity for each room in the Village Hall will apply.
  - User groups should consider whether to self-impose lower limits based on the nature of their activity.
  
- Social distancing requirements & the requirement to wear a face covering have been removed:
  - Government guidance indicates that the use of face coverings is advisable in confined spaces such as toilets, kitchens and corridors and at more crowded events.
  
- Vulnerable people should be considered:
  - User groups should consider the risks of close contact with others particularly if those who are clinically extremely vulnerable or not yet fully vaccinated may be present.
  - Consideration should be given to those who may wish to take a more cautious approach.
  - User groups should consider whether to self-impose measures such as the wearing of face coverings and social distancing based on the nature of their activity.
  
- NHS Test and Trace will continue:
  - QR code posters will be retained but their use will not be mandatory. User groups should consider if their use is appropriate based on the nature of their activity.
  - Individuals should be tested if advised to do so and self-isolation after a positive test remains key to reducing transmission.
  
- Government guidance advises that people can manage the risks to themselves and others by:
  - Meeting in well-ventilated areas where possible, such as outdoors or indoors with windows open.
  - Wearing a face covering when in contact with people you don't normally meet in enclosed and crowded spaces.
  - Hand washing with soap and water or using hand sanitiser regularly throughout the day.
  - Covering nose and mouth when you cough and sneeze.
  - Staying at home if unwell, to reduce the risk of passing illnesses to friends, family, colleagues, and others in the community.
  - Considering individual risks, such as clinical vulnerabilities and vaccination status.

*Please Note: The 'Additional Guidance & Requirements for Users during COVID-19 Pandemic' dated 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021 is now withdrawn and until further notice all bookings are accepted in accordance with our Standard Conditions of Hire which are available on our website.*

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