

Communigrow: Covid-19 Strategy

There is national guidance for dealing with Covid-19 within the UK which will be updated as the epidemic progresses or decreases. Three main public sources of information are on the NHS, Gov.UK and ACAS websites and links are at the bottom.

We are all responsible for ourselves and each other. This includes:

- Good hand-washing hygiene practices;
- Sensible avoidance of contact with people recently arrived from countries/places with widespread infection; and
- Awareness of and alertness to symptoms (which may be similar to symptoms for other infections) in oneself and others.

The trustees are putting up posters to remind employees, volunteers and visitors to the Field to observe regular and thorough hand-washing.

In the event of identified cases of Covid-19 infection in Kent, or widespread national infections, Communigrow will invoke its strategy below. The strategy will be updated in accordance with any change to Government/NHS guidance.

1	Check with the following that they have neither been diagnosed with the virus or have had it identified at their premises or among their contacts: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individual employees and volunteers• Establishments that bring children or others to the field• Places where we supply produce or offer it for sale
2	Where any individuals have been diagnosed or may have been infected, remind them to follow the latest guidance of the NHS or other health professionals, including self-isolation.
3	Ensure all employees, volunteers and establishments with which anyone identified in 2. above has been in contact within the previous 14 days (or as currently recommended by the NHS) are made aware so they can take advice about their own risks and situation.
4	Contact NHS 111 to ask for further advice about whether the field should be closed and what action should be taken about deep-cleaning any of the facilities, disposal of waste etc. as per the Gov.UK guidance for educational settings.
5	Deal with paid employees in accordance with the latest Government advice about sick pay etc.

The responsible trustee for undertaking the above is Alan Piper. If he is to be asway, or is taken ill himself, Alan will appoint another trustee to undertake the actions in the strategy.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

<https://www.acas.org.uk/coronavirus>