

## COVID-19 Risk Assessment- The New Croft Stadia Pitches Match Activity

Site:  The New Croft Stadia Pitches  Completed by  Peter Betts  Date  27<sup>th</sup> December 2020

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<b>Premises</b>						
<b>Match Stadia Facility</b>  <b>Spread of Covid19</b>  <b>Staff</b> <b>Players</b> <b>Coaches</b> <b>Officials</b> <b>Spectators</b>	<b>Good Hygiene-</b>  <b>Providing hand sanitiser stations around the Stadia Pitches</b>  <b>Provide clear communication to participants around FA guidelines in relation to hygiene</b>  <b>Clearly directing people to where hands can be washed</b>  <b>Allocate area/stations to provide soap, hot water and sanitiser if required</b>  <b>Use disposable paper towels in handwashing facilities provided</b>  <b>All participants including players, coaches &amp; Spectators to complete the NHS QR or online track and trace system for NHS and government purposes.</b>	<b>Measures in place currently-</b>  <b>Hand sanitiser stations around the site</b>  <b>Portable automatic sanitiser stands for all coaches and participants at entry gates onto the stadia pitches.</b>  <b>Hand washing stations with hot water, soap, paper towels and sanitiser located at the rear of the building</b>  <b>Regular cleaning checks and records kept for cleaning of toilet &amp; hand washing designated areas.</b>  <b>Temperature checks carried out on arrival for all national league system players and officials.</b>	<b>Further Action required-</b>  <b>Clearer signage around the facility specifically the stadia pitches</b>  <b>Training for all staff around the new procedures</b>  <b>A briefing to all players around expectations, guidelines, behaviours.</b>  <b>Ensure each hirer has a covid19 officer in line with FA guidelines.</b>	<b>HCSA Staff Club Reps</b>	<b>Immediately</b>	<b>Yes</b>

	<p>Coaches to wear face masks if coming into close proximity with participants, this should occur only when reasonable and practical to do so.</p> <p>All spectators entering the Stadia under tier 3 or 4 guidelines must wear face coverings at all times.</p>	<p>Signage displayed reminding people of their responsibilities around the NHS track and trace.</p> <p>All staff at Turnstile &amp; refreshment facilities will always be provided PPE to wear.</p> <p>Disposable face masks provided/available when required for coaches/players prior to fixture.</p>				
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<p>Keeping Facilities and Equipment Clean</p> <p>Staff Players Coaches Officials Spectators</p>	<p>Daily cleaning and checks of the stadia pitches.</p> <p>Frequent cleaning of equipment used, including footballs, bibs, cones, flag poles and goals when moved.</p> <p>High touch point areas such as entry gates, rebound fencing, dugouts and stands to be cleaned on a more regular basis</p> <p>More waste provision around the stadia areas.</p> <p>Follow Public health England guidance if a Covid19 case is reported at the facility</p>	<p>Stadia cleaning programme in place and records kept</p> <p>Cleaning wipes and disinfectant available for wiping goals and rails on a regular basis</p> <p>Emptying waste bins on a regular basis</p> <p>Air Flow with doors and windows open for national league system teams using dressing room areas on match day.</p>	<p>Making hirer aware of the cleaning procedures in place.</p> <p>Awareness raised to hirer around Public Health England guidance for reported Covid19 cases.</p> <p>Ensuring at the current time that no changing room provision is offered to participants (excluding National League System teams), in line with guidelines and will reduce risk to all users.</p> <p>Cleaning products &amp; sanitiser provided for touch points in changing room areas, including showers to be provided.</p>	HCSA Staff Club Reps	Immediately	Yes

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		<p>Any individual waiting for changing room access, should wear masks and observe social distancing measures.</p>	<p>All changing rooms must be left in a clean condition after use.</p>			
<p>Participants and Coaches</p> <p>Spectators</p> <p>Social Distancing</p> <p>Hygiene</p>	<p>Social distancing on arrival to fixture</p> <p>Social distancing must be observed at all times when viewing the game.</p> <p>Signage so players and coaches understand entry and exit points (1-way systems on and off in place)</p> <p>Informing players to meet at designated meet point on patio area before entering the stadia with the club staff.</p> <p>The Match day playing squad, plus 5 team volunteers (Manager, coaches, Medical &amp; Covid19 officer allowed into stadia at designated time before the fixture.</p>	<p>Signage around the facility to increase awareness of social distancing</p> <p>Changing rooms will be available for national league system activity but are strictly limited to a maximum of 6 people at any one time. (These seated areas will be clearly marked out ensuring social distancing is observed)</p> <p>All team meetings must take place outside socially distanced.</p> <p>No access to any indoor changing areas for players at half time.</p> <p>Spectator admittance into the stadia limited to 300 at step 5 &amp; 6. (Only at tier 1, 2 and 3)</p>	<p>Home teams playing fixtures at The New Croft will be allocated the main 2 changing rooms to be able to observe social distancing measures, with a maximum 6 (per dressing room) people using the room at any one time. (These seated areas will be clearly marked out ensuring social distancing is observed)- National League System Only</p> <p>Away teams visiting the site in national league system games will be encouraged to arrive in kit where possible however they will be provided a dressing room upon request, this will be strictly limited to a maximum of 6 people at any one time. (These seated areas will be clearly marked out ensuring social distancing is observed)- National League System Only</p>	<p>HCSA Staff</p> <p>Club Reps</p>	<p>Immediately</p>	<p>Yes</p>

	<p>Informing players, they cannot mix in large groups around the pitch area</p> <p>Single/limited use of toilet facilities to avoid congestion in confined spaces</p> <p>Ensure all players are up to date around sharing of equipment procedures</p> <p>Equipment movement kept to a minimum</p> <p>Informing players, they cannot be shouting or spitting at the activity on the stadia pitches.</p> <p>Players &amp; club members should all be aware of entry and exit procedures</p> <p>Players &amp; club members being aware of procedure if they become infected after matches</p> <p>Coaches providing more regular hygiene breaks during sessions/games</p> <p>Stewarding in place to monitor maximum capacity, crowd control measures, social distancing, and one-way systems are adhered too.</p>	<p>All youth Football will be limited to 1 spectator per child in attendance.</p> <p>Radios provided for staff and coaches to communicate should any issues arise</p> <p>Separate entry and exit gates on and off the stadia area for players and club members</p> <p>Stadia gates closed once maximum numbers reached, fire exit gates left open to gain toilet access.</p> <p>Signage displayed with limited numbers in confined spaces, zones clearly marked out for this and masks to be worn within these areas including the stands.</p> <p>NHS QR scanning available for players and coaches to access on arrival</p> <p>Communication made to managers, players, spectators around procedures</p> <p>Managers/Coaches to provide a register 24 hours before the fixture providing a list of names with who is attending the fixture.</p>	<p>Showering facilities will be made available for national league system teams, social distancing must be observed with a maximum of three players showering at any one time, the showers not available will be marked so social distancing can be adhered too.</p> <p>Training workers to promote compliance to facility users</p> <p>Monitor effectiveness of procedures in place</p> <p>Use website, social media platforms as well as basic communication to filter key messages</p> <p>Controls put in place for any non-compliance</p> <p>Potential briefings with players/Coaches before activities</p> <p>Cash handling will take place from time to time in the turnstile &amp; refreshment areas however alternative payment methods will be encouraged with signage displayed.</p> <p>Spectator numbers reduced in the stand to ensure social distancing requirements can be maintained, the seats not in use clearly marked.</p>			
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	<p><b>Spectator first aid requirements (please refer to first aid/medical risk assessment)</b></p>	<p><b>The Covid19 officer or a team representative will ensure everyone is at the required meet points before entering the stadia (youth only)</b></p> <p><b>The Facility Staff/Covid19 officer will register the designated people into the stadia.</b></p> <p><b>The Facility Staff/Covid19 officer will ensure everyone leaves the stadia areas in an orderly fashion adhering to guidelines.</b></p> <p><b>Spectators will be able to enter the stadia via the turnstile/gate, queuing systems will be clearly marked to ensure people are always socially distanced.</b></p> <p><b>Spectators will be able to view programmes online to limit the purchase of paper copies</b></p> <p><b>Spectators will be able to purchase tickets online prior to games to reduce cash handling at the stadia for all competitive fixtures.</b></p> <p><b>Spectators will be able to purchase refreshments via an online service, table service and by cuing at the outside kiosk observing social distancing and</b></p>	<p><b>PA System in use in all areas to remind people of their social distancing requirements at regular intervals.</b></p>			
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**one-way system guidelines at all times**

**The main clubhouse and bar areas will be closed for spectators at all home fixtures in line with the current tier guidelines.**