

HPS WESTERN COUNTIES – RE-OPENING AT NORTON VILLAGE HALL Saturday 30th October 2021 onwards

The following policies for re-opening meetings will try to eliminate or minimise risks wherever possible and the measures are intended to be for the short term, until confidence returns.

Double vaccinated members

Until further notice, we request that only members who have been double vaccinated should attend a meeting, so as to minimise risks.

Members who have not been double vaccinated are asked to carefully consider the implications, for their own safety and that of their fellow members, and not to attend without giving full and proper consideration to the risks which their attendance would incur to themselves and others.

Members who are feeling unwell for any reason are asked to not attend.

Booking-In System

Until further notice, for each meeting, members are asked to book a place at the meeting by emailing the Chairman giving notice of their wish to attend. This will allow numbers to be controlled if necessary and to allow greater spacing of seats if numbers attending are low. The Chairman will issue an email two weeks before the meeting, which will require a reply, if attending, by 9pm on the Thursday before the meeting.

Visitors

Until further notice, visitors will not be allowed to join meetings.

Arrival Time

Until further notice, members are asked to not enter the building until 10.15am so as to allow time for proper sanitation of the rooms and furniture.

Payment of Entrance Fee (£2 per member)

Until further notice, members are asked to proffer the exact amount due (to avoid giving change), and to place it in the jar to be provided.

Masks

Wearing of masks will not be mandatory, but will be left at the discretion of each member.

Refreshments

Until further notice, in order to minimise risk, no morning coffee or afternoon tea will be served, and members are asked to bring their own morning and afternoon refreshments and snacks, as well as their lunch.

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Track and Trace

Until further notice, members with a Smart Phone are asked to use the Track and Trace system in the Hall. Those without a Smart Phone are asked to give their name and contact number, to be recorded as they enter the Hall.

Members Plant Stall – Back Room

The Members Plant Stall in the Back Room will be reinstated, but the wearing of a mask in that room will be mandatory for those using the facility.

Members Plant Stall – Main Hall

Until further notice, the Members Plant Stall in the Main Hall will not operate, so as to eliminate the risks involved in monetary exchanges.

Charity Table – Main Hall

Until further notice, the Charity Table in the Main Hall will not operate, so as to eliminate the risks involved in monetary exchanges.

Commercial Plant Sales – Back Room

Until further notice, the Commercial Plant Sales in the Back Room will only operate if the operator considers it safe to do so, bearing in mind the possible risks to themselves and members. The wearing of a mask in that room will be mandatory for those using the facility.

Display Table – Main Hall

The display table in the Main Hall will be continued, but members are asked to keep a safe distance from each other when looking at the exhibits.

Raffle

Until further notice, the raffle will not operate, so as to eliminate the risks involved in monetary exchanges

Library

Until further notice, the Library will not be available for consultation or borrowing. When returning books currently on loan, members are asked to clean and sanitise the books before return.

General Advice

We are all responsible for our own safety and for that of our fellow members, and we must all ensure that we minimise risks as far as possible. Hand sanitizers will be provided and members are asked to use them regularly. Members are also asked to wash their hands frequently, especially before consuming food or drinks.