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COVID-19 Safe Risk Assessment – 2023/24 Season

As per the Club's Health & Safety Policy 23/24 – COVID Measures are in-built to the Risk Assessment on the basis that COVID variants remain present in our communities. Infections are ongoing and the impact of previous vaccination programmes is reducing. By retaining a tried and tested framework within the Assessment, the Club can respond quickly to any changes in Public Health. The specific COVID risks and measures are now included as Appendix 1.

RED	All UK Government, FA and Club COVID-19 measures and all policies must be implemented in FULL.
AMBER	Extra vigilance is required – social distancing, hygiene and COVID-19 self-assessment mandatory. PPE must be used for provision of First Aid
YELLOW	No formal guidance applies but coaches should take reasonable care in reducing the risk of infection and are encouraged to use positive discretion in applying the Club's Risk Assessment and good practice measures from the policy framework relating to social distancing, hygiene and COVID-19 Self Assessment. PPE is strongly recommended for First Aid. Players and parents must, as a minimum, sign a commitment at start of the season, agreeing to check & report COVID-19 symptoms before training and matches and adhere to Club Policies and Government / FA Guidance.
GREEN	COVID-19 no longer requires specific response.

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The status for 9 September 2023 is GREEN.

Hazard	Who might be harmed?	Risk without control measures	Control measures	Residual Risk	Further measures to reduce residual risk (where possible)
<p>Exposure to infection resulting from re-starting of grassroots football for new season / after stoppage or lockdown.</p> <p>COVID infections are still present in the community and immunisation levels are reducing.</p>	<p>Players Coaches Parents / Spectators Referee</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The Club has a COVID Safety Policy -The Club will follow all UK Government, Public Health England and FA Guidance as required. -Review & update RA and policies in accordance with new guidance -Coaches to communicate with parents and players to ensure new guidance is understood and to ensure that protocols for self-assessment, personal equipment, hygiene and social distancing are refreshed and reminders issued. -All parents and players to be reminded of their signed commitment to the consent for 23/24 Season and sign-up to the Code of Conduct. Issue Code of Behaviour to all parents as per version in FA Guidance. -Coaches to liaise with facilities managers and adhere to any updated guidance / requirements on site -Coaches to follow any new instructions issued by League. -Coaches to review and update Emergency Plans as required. 	<p>Low</p>	<p>Reintroduction of face mask wearing for all coaches, spectators and players unless actively engaged in footballing activity playing matches / training.</p>

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			<p>-Coaches to ensure First Aid Kits, PPE and hygiene equipment are stocked and available</p> <p>-The presence / absence of spectators to be informed by FA / UK Govt Guidance.</p>		
Injury / infection from foreign objects on playing surface (e.g. rabbit holes; sharps; frozen ground; litter; dog faeces)	Players Coaches	Low / Medium	<p>-Coaches to inspect playing surface and remove any foreign objects / repair before use (pitches should not be used if this is not possible)</p> <p>-Significant (e.g. presence of needles) or persistent issues should be reported to Club (and pitch owner)</p> <p>AWAY MATCHES: Coaches must satisfy themselves that pitch provided by opposition is suitable / safe to use before match</p>		
Injury from the act of playing a contact sport – football. (see <i>Inadequate first aid provision including COVID-19 infection risk</i> section below)	Players	Medium	<p>Football is a contact sport and there is an inherent risk of injury or physical harm. This may include cuts and bruises, broken bones, head injury / concussion, asthma attack, cardiac arrest.</p> <p>-Team Managers are trained in Emergency First Aid and have and maintain valid certification.</p> <p>- The Club will follow the FA Guidance covering the heading of footballs.</p> <p>- The Club will follow UK Government guidance covering concussions – any player exhibiting signs or symptoms of concussion</p>	Medium / Low	COVID-19 Safe First Aid Guidance to be followed

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			<p>will be removed from play. UK Concussion Guidelines for Non-Elite (Grassroots) Sport April 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Emergency Plans are located within the kit bag and issued to parents identifying key information (What3words, GPS co-ord, AED locations, hospital information) in case of an incident -First Aid Kits are available pitch side -Players are coached by qualified coaches and are encouraged to play the game in a safe manner -Key medical history / conditions are recorded by the Club and available to the manager pitchside -Where required labelled asthma inhalers are available pitchside via the manager following COVID-Safe measures -Individual teams may have access to their own AED – currently this includes the U17s -In the case of serious injury, the injured party must NOT be moved. It is important that there is access to blankets and other such equipment to keep the individual warm and “comfortable” whilst waiting for an ambulance. 		
Injury from collapsing goalposts	Players	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Club has Goalpost Policy -Coaches required to read / comply with policy. -Club will only provide suitable / approved goalposts -Coaches must inspect goalposts before use 	Low	Goal posts to be disinfected before and after use.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coaches must ensure goalposts are suitably restrained before use -Coaches must notify Club or management authority of venue of any goalpost defects immediately <p>AWAY MATCHES: Coaches must satisfy themselves that goalposts provided by opposition are suitable / safe to use before match</p>		
Head injury through repetitive “heading” of football	Players	Low (long term concerns)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Repetitive “heading” drills / practice will not be allowed for any age group. -FA guidance will be followed (August 2021) 	Low	Heading footballs is a normal part of the game and modern footballs are lighter in materials and design but the repetitive nature of this has been raised as a concern in terms of longer term impact on the brain, particularly during its development within younger people.
Lack of emergency medication (e.g. for asthma)	Players	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Club undertakes annual check of players’ requirements during registration -Club requires parents to notify Club of details in writing / and any changes in circumstances -Parents must inform the Coach of specific player requirements / use of medication -Parents must provide labelled medication (i.e. inhalers) to Coach 	Low	Records maintained by Club Welfare Officer and communicated to relevant coaches.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coach must carry labelled medication (i.e. inhalers) provided at all training sessions / matches -At least one first aid qualified Club coach must be present at each training session / match -Players CANNOT play unless inhaler is provided 		
Inadequate first aid provision including COVID-19 infection risk.	Players	Medium / High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Club requires that at least one first aid qualified Club coach must be present at each training session / match -Club provides refresher training to coaches at least every 3 years -First aid kits provided by Club and purchased via FA Approved Suppliers following affiliation. -Annual check of kit contents by coach / Club -Coach to notify Club if kit items used / need to be replaced -Pre-season medical screening undertaken and records retained. -Plan sessions to reduce injury risk. -Coaches / First aiders to make themselves familiar with the 4 Levels of Hazard outlined in the FA's First Aid Guidance for Return to Outdoor Competitive Grassroots Football -Each team coach to be issued with face mask, gloves, apron and goggles within first aid kit in response to Non-Medical, Level 1 and Level 2 scenarios. -Coaches / First Aider to follow the FA's ADULT EMERGENCY FIRST AID ALGORITHM 	Medium	<p>Check playing area to reduce hazard risk</p> <p>Obtain confirmation from Opposition Coach that them and their players are aware of Covid 19 First Aid advice</p> <p>Each team coach to be issued with FFP3 face mask for exceptional use in response to Level 3 scenarios.</p> <p>Familiarisation with First Aid Covid 19 advice, e.g. St John Ambulance guide to undertaking First Aid during Covid 19. https://www.sja.org.uk/get-advice/first-aid-advice/covid-19-advice-for-first-aiders/</p>

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			<p>FOR NON-ELITE FOOTBALL DURING COVID-19 IN THE ABSENCE OF LEVEL 3 PPE or PAEDIATRIC EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID CARE ALGORITHM FOR NON-ELITE FOOTBALL DURING COVID-19 IN ABSENCE OF LEVEL 3 PPE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Used First Aid equipment double bagged for disposal -Non-close contact first aid provided where possible. -Where CPR is required FA advice states only chest compressions should be applied -Parents to be advised that they may be required to administer First Aid to their own child, for minor issues to enable social distancing to be maintained for others. -Information shared with parents about first aid procedure -Emergency Plan in place and shared with parents -Emergency contact list provided to coaches -In the case of serious injury, the injured party must NOT be moved. It is important that there is access to blankets and other such equipment to keep the individual warm and “comfortable” whilst waiting for an ambulance. 		
Inadequate emergency arrangements	Players	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coach to hold specific Emergency Plan for each training / home match location, which is updated annually or as otherwise required -Access to pitches must be maintained for use by emergency services -Mobile phone to be on-site for all matches 	Low	Emergency Plans to be shared with parents prior to first sessions.

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			AWAY MATCHES: Coaches must familiarise themselves with emergency arrangements for opposition venue before start of match.		
Physical assault	Coaches Players Parents	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Club has Code of Conduct which requires that confrontation is avoided -Code communicated by Club to Coaches, Parents and Players -Coaches / parents / players required to read / confirm they will comply with the Code -RESPECT Barriers should be in place at all matches. -Coaches have authority to abandon match if physical assault occurs or is threatened -Any physical assault / threat of should be reported to the police -Any physical assault / threat of should be reported to the Club 	Low / Medium	Liaison with League and / or FA as required.
Release of players at end of training sessions / matches	Players	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Club has procedure -Procedure communicated by Club to Coaches and Parents -Parent / responsible person must notify Coach if they intend to leave training / matches and return later -Coach must check that players leave after training / matches with parent / responsible person 	Low	Compliance with any site specific arrangements communicated through hirer agreement.
Missing Child	Players / spectators	Medium	Club has new Missing Child Procedure, which will be enacted should a child go missing.		

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Poor supervision of access to toilets	Players	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -If ratios allow players are to be escorted to toilets particularly during evening sessions in the winter. -Use of toilets only according to facility's COVID-19 guidance where available 	Low	Low
Child welfare is compromised	Players	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Club has Safeguarding Children policy, updated to include issues relating to COVID-19 -Club has a Club Welfare Officer, specifically trained via FA -Club requires all coaches to have DBS check and complete a pre-coaching questionnaire with 2 references sought -Policy communicated by Club to Coaches and Parents with Code of Conduct / Coach Policy Acknowledgement sign offs required. -Club requires that at least one Safeguarding qualified Club coach must be present at each training session / match -Club requires that any identified child welfare issue is reported by Coaches / Parents to Club Welfare Officer. -Club has a texting/emailing U18 policy -Photography at matches only with both clubs' consent -Club has a Missing Child Procedure 	Low	Child Safeguarding training undertaken by Coaches and Committee members.
Contact with hazardous substances (i.e. chemicals used for white lines)	Players Coaches	Low / Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Club has White Line Marker Policy that specifies use of suitable chemicals only on pitches 	Low	

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Players with glasses	Players	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -FA guidance issued to all managers and parents where child wears glasses. -No player should take part in training or matches unless wearing sports glasses (e.g. Perspex / composite). Glass / metal style glasses are prohibited 	Low	Players without the appropriate composite glasses will be withdrawn from the session
Injury from use of grass cutting equipment	Coaches	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coaches to notify Club if grass needs to be cut -Coaches / Parents should must not cut grass -Club will organise / request grass to be cut by approved third party 	Low	
Adverse weather (heat stroke / hypothermia / dehydration / too windy)	Coaches Players	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Players must bring suitable labelled drink / clothing to be managed in accordance with social distancing -Coaches to confirm weather conditions are safe to play and players have suitable drink / clothing -Coaches must allow time / encourage players to hydrate during training sessions / matches in accordance with social distancing 	Low	Ongoing / dynamic assessment undertaken as required.
Inappropriate clothing resulting in injury / illness	Players	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Players must wear shin pads as required by the FA and the Club -Appropriate footwear is required for the specific surface -Jewellery, watches, bands, etc. must not be worn during training or matches 	Low	Club Welfare Officer to be informed if player regularly attends sessions without appropriate clothing.
Travel	Coaches Players	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Club policy is that parents are responsible for transporting players to / from training / match venues -If Club organises transport for players then specific risk assessment must be completed 	Low	

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			and COVID-19 Safe measures must be applied as per Policy.		
SITE SPECIFIC SECTION FOR TRAINING / MATCHES					
Farndon Community Field					
Contact with animal faeces	Players Coaches Spectators	Medium	-Coaches must undertake a sweep of the playing surface and dispose of any dog / fox faeces appropriately. A supply of bags will be maintained in the kit bag for each session.	Low	
Contact with vehicles in car park	Players, spectators	Medium / High	-As per <i>Release of players at end of training sessions / matches</i> – parents and players have been made aware of the limitation of responsibility attached to coaches pre/post sessions	Low	
Storage of / installation of goalposts and other equipment in containers	Coaches, volunteers, parents	Medium	-Goalposts must be carried by minimum of 2 people. Those people erecting goalposts, corner flags and respect barriers must do so wearing masks, gloves and socially distanced where possible. Items to be disinfected before / after each use -Container needs to be left uncluttered and free of trip hazards -Items stored above head height must be secured	Low	
COVID-19 Safe Social Distancing	Players Coaches Parents / Spectators Other users	Medium	-No parent /spectator may enter the fenced playing surface except for the purposes of erecting equipment as described above or in the case of emergency when permitted by the Coach in charge of the session. -All activity should be managed as to react / respond to other users who may not have as	Low	Obtain COVID-Safe Risk Assessment information from Facility Manager if available Use of respect barriers to create protected space.

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			<p>strict policy arrangements. Liaison with the facility manager may be required if social distancing is compromised.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -One-way systems (if required) and signage to be introduced and followed where practicable, otherwise arrange clear time slots for arrival / egress. - Venue owner / manager to provide & display QR Code 		
<i>Additional rows to be added by Manager if required</i>					
Malpas Sports Club					
Contact with vehicles in car park	Players, spectators	Medium / High	<p>-As per <i>Release of players at end of training sessions / matches</i> – parents and players have been made aware of the limitation of responsibility attached to coaches pre/post sessions</p>	Low	
Storage of / installation of goalposts and other equipment in containers	Coaches, volunteers, parents	Medium	<p>-Where possible use the existing goal posts to reduce need for close contact during assembly.</p> <p>-Goalposts must be carried by minimum of 2 people. Those people erecting goalposts, corner flags and respect barriers must do so wearing masks, gloves and socially distanced where possible. Items to be disinfected before / after each use</p> <p>-Container needs to be left uncluttered and free of trip hazards</p>	Low	Storage of / installation of goalposts and other equipment in containers

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			-Items stored above head height must be secured		
COVID-19 Safe Social Distancing	Players Coaches Parents / Spectators Other users	Medium / High	-No parent /spectator may enter the fenced playing surface except for the purposes of erecting equipment as described above or in the case of emergency when permitted by the Coach in charge of the session. -All activity should be managed as to react / respond to other users who may not have as strict policy arrangements. Liaison with the facility manager may be required if social distancing is compromised. -The Venue's one-way systems and signage to be followed where practicable, otherwise arrange clear time slots for arrival / egress. -The Venue owner / manager to provide and display QR Code.	Low	Obtain COVID-Safe Risk Assessment information from Facility Manager Use of respect barriers to create protected space. Use of Away dug out to socially distance substitutes. Opposition to remain on opposite side of pitch. Spare ball and disinfectant spray on each side of pitch. Portable social distancing signage to be used.
<i>Additional rows to be added by Manager if required</i>					
Bishop Heber High School					
Contact with vehicles in car park	Players, spectators	Medium / High	-As per <i>Release of players at end of training sessions / matches</i> – parents and players have been made aware of the limitation of responsibility attached to coaches pre/post sessions	Low	
Storage of / installation of goalposts and other	Coaches, volunteers, parents	Medium	-Goalposts must be carried by minimum of 2 people. Those people erecting goalposts, corner flags and respect barriers must do so	Low	Storage of / installation of goalposts and other equipment in containers

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equipment in containers			wearing masks, gloves and socially distanced where possible. Items to be disinfected before / after each use -Container needs to be left uncluttered and free of trip hazards -Items stored above head height must be secured		
COVID-19 Safe Social Distancing	Players Coaches Parents / Spectators Other users	Medium	No parent /spectator may enter the fenced playing surface except for the purposes of erecting equipment as described above or in the case of emergency when permitted by the Coach in charge of the session. -The Venue’s one-way systems and signage to be followed where practicable, otherwise arrange clear time slots for arrival / egress. -All activity should be managed as to react / respond to other users who may not have as strict policy arrangements. Liaison with the facility manager may be required if social distancing is compromised. -The Venue owner / manager to provide and display QR Code.	Low	Obtain COVID-Safe Risk Assessment / Hirer’s Agreement T&Cs information from Facility Manager
<i>Additional rows to be added by Manager if required</i>					

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Date of review: Annual Review by 26 August 2024 AND / OR Quarterly, or triggered by updated UK Government / FA COVID-19 Guidance Updates

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APPENDIX 1 – COVID-19 RESPONSES should UK Government, Public Health England, FA Guidance change as a result of new pandemic conditions OR if the Club decides that local infections justify a change in RAG rating)

Hazard	Who might be harmed?	Risk without control measures	Control measures	Residual Risk	Further measures to reduce residual risk (where possible)
Players arriving at session infected with COVID-19 resulting in cross-contamination	Players Coaches Parents / Spectators Referee	Medium / High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Players to undertake and submit COVID-19 Self-assessment information ahead of each session via agreed method. -Information and policies given to all players / parents instruction not to attend if showing symptoms -Coaches to isolate and ask any player to leave the session if symptoms become evident during the session. Unless immediate medical attention is required the player should return home and follow PHE guidance. If positive test returned – Track & Trace protocols to be followed. (-Ensure all players are aware of requirement to social distance and have clear guidelines for access and egress of the playing area 	Medium / Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use of face coverings on arrival to be encouraged and when closer than 2 metre distance (except by players in the session) Coach to ask at the beginning of the session if anyone present has any of the core COVID-19 symptoms Liaison with opposition coach to keep own records on away attendees from their team and spectators Coaches session checklist to be completed for each

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			-Coach to maintain written register of all participants and keep such register for 21 days afterwards		fixture and retained for 21 days
Coaches & volunteers arriving at session infected with COVID-19 resulting in cross-contamination	Players Coaches Parents / Spectators Referee	Medium / High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Coaches & volunteers to undertake and record COVID-19 Self-assessment information by agreed method ahead of each session and retain for required time -Information and policies given to all coaches with instruction not to attend if showing symptoms -All coaches to read and complete policy acknowledgement checklist for 21/22 Season. -Coaches to leave the session if symptoms become evident during the session and follow PHE guidance, including Track & Trace if positive test returned. -Ensure all coaches are aware of requirement to social distance and have clear guidelines for access and egress of the playing area -Coaches to maintain written register of all participants and keep such register for 21 days afterwards - Where a coach is >16 yrs old the NHS App and QR code should be used if present 	Medium / Low	<p>Use of face coverings on arrival to be encouraged when closer than 2 metre distance (except by players in the session)</p> <p>Liaison with opposition coach to keep own records on away attendees from their team and spectators</p> <p>Coaches session checklist to be completed for each fixture and retained for 21 days</p>
Parents / Spectators arriving infected with COVID-19 resulting in cross-contamination	Players Coaches Parents / Spectators Referee	Medium / High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -All parents to be provided with new COVID-19 policies and sign Code of Conduct. -Coach to maintain written register of all Parents / Spectators and keep such for 21 days after each session 	Medium / Low	Use of face coverings on arrival to be encouraged when closer than 2 metre distance (except by players in the session)

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Information to be provided at each session and instruction where required. -Signage to promote social distancing where practicable. Reminder issued with each weekly match communication - Where spectators are >16 yrs old the NHS App and QR Code should be used where available. 		<p>Coaches session checklist to be completed for each fixture and retained for 21 days to include list of spectators if QR Code not used.</p> <p>Use of respect barriers (home & away) to create protected space where practicable.</p>
Opposition players, coaches, parents / spectators arriving at session infected with COVID-19 resulting in cross-contamination	Players Coaches Parents / Spectators Referee	Medium / High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Liaison with opposition coach pre-fixture and share information on policies and specific site arrangements. documentation, with instruction not to attend if showing symptoms -Coaches to ask any player, coach, parent / spectator to leave the session if symptoms become evident during the session -Ensure all parties are aware of requirement to social distance and have clear guidelines for access and egress of the playing area -Opposition to be informed about use of QR Codes where applicable. 	Medium / Low	<p>Use of face coverings to be encouraged when closer than 2 metre distance (except by players in the session)</p> <p>Coaches session checklist to be completed for each fixture and retained for 21 days</p> <p>Respect barriers to be used to create protected space.</p>
Infection of vulnerable / shielding family members	Vulnerable family members	Medium / High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -All parents to be provided with new COVID-19 policies and sign Code of Conduct. -Instruction not to attend if shielding / vulnerable person at home 	Medium / Low	
Cross infection of COVID-19 resulting from failure to	Players Coaches Parents / Spectators	Medium / High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Clear policies and Code of Conduct issued to all parties prior to season commencing and before attendance at each session 	Medium / Low	Referee / coach to pause match if concerns regarding social distancing of spectators or coaches

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follow social distancing guidance	Referee		<p>including requirements and guidelines for players and spectators</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Instructions given out about arrival and exit arrangements including specific time slot to arrive to avoid congestion at venue (where appropriate) -Session to involve each team’s squad players only with a maximum of 30 persons including coaches -Clear time / space allowed between matches on the same pitch -Coaches to ensure coaching points are made observing social distancing, ideally side by side, but not so far away as to require shouting – during session, pre-match, half time and end of session de-brief. -Players to maintain 2m social distancing as much as possible during down-time in matches and when substitutes and minimise close contact during the matches such as taking penalties or corners -Players to refrain from: goal celebrations, excessive shouting (particularly when face to face), spitting, chewing gum, sharing drinks, unnecessary handling of the football and handshakes. -Clear guidance given to players at the start of each match as to expectations 		<p>Reduce number of sessions running concurrently to manage any congestion</p> <p>Coaches session checklist to be completed for each session</p> <p>Dynamic observation, management and intervention as required</p> <p>Maintain booking process arrangements with facility managers</p> <p>Create individual designated player safe areas marked out by cones</p> <p>Use of respect barriers home and away to create protected space.</p>
Failure of parents / spectators to keep socially distant to players resulting in cross-contamination	Players Coaches Referees Parents / Spectators	Medium / High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Parents / Spectators to complete Code of Conduct prior to season commencement. -Instructions given to both teams prior to the match that spectators must stay away from the pitch area 	Medium / Low	Referee to pause match if concerns regarding social distancing of spectators or coaches

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Respect barriers must be used and provide safe distancing of 2m or more where possible. -Social distancing signage in place -NHS app and QR Code to be used where applicable. 		Preference for masks to be worn, particularly when closer than 2 metre distance (except by players in the session)
Failure of coaches to maintain COVID-19 Safe Sessions resulting in cross-contamination	Players Coaches Referees Parents / Spectators	Medium / High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -All coaches and volunteers to be issued with COVID-19 policy documentation and FA guidance and sign acknowledgement. - Revised Risk Assessment versions to be circulated. 	Medium / Low	<p>Coaches to participate in pre-season video conference to review policy documentation and guidelines prior to commencing season and for refresher as agreed.</p> <p>All players parents and guardians being sent a copy of the Covid-19 policy documents graphics by email and sign Code of Conduct</p> <p>Referee to complete pre match briefing on social distancing, ball contact before kick off with positive reminders to specific players during play if needed</p>
Contamination of equipment leading to infection of players, coaches, parents / spectators	Players Coaches Referees Parents / Spectators	Medium / High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Minimise use of equipment -Avoid touching of equipment by players as much as possible using feet rather than hands to recover the ball from outside the playing area -Only GK to handle the ball during training and avoid throw-in situations 	Medium / Low	<p>Coaches issued with disinfection liquid, disposable cloths and double-bagged waste disposal</p> <p>Coaches maintain register confirming that all</p>

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	Members of the public		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Goalkeeper to bring own gloves and these should be disinfected at regular intervals -Disinfection of equipment before and after each session following instructions provided on cleaning materials -During matches the ball must be disinfected at every opportunity when play is paused or after the ball is touched using hands i.e. a corner is taken -All players and coaches to bring their own bottle of hand sanitiser to use before, during and after session -All players instructed to bring own drink which is clearly identified with players name on -Players to arrive ready to play in clean kit issued to each player at start of season -Where possible, each player to be assigned a clearly identifiable 2 metre safe zone for their water bottle, hand sanitiser and personal belongings -If bibs are used, coach to ensure they are only touched by one player and left in bin bag at end of session which the coach will seal and take home to wash -No swapping of clothing or bibs 		<p>equipment is disinfected at end of session before leaving the site</p> <p>Coaches session checklist to be completed for each fixture</p> <p>Proactively observe, manage and intervene.</p> <p>Coaches issued with hand sanitiser</p> <p>Provide bin bag(s)</p> <p>Enable hand sanitising at water breaks and after handling the ball</p>
Mental wellbeing of young people is negatively affected due to COVID-19	Players	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Young players may require a period of re-adjustment to both their friends and team mates but also competitive football following months of social isolation. -Players may require additional awareness and support from coaches about their mental health and wellbeing following the 	Low	<p>Consideration of mental health in the planning and execution of training and matches.</p> <p>Ensure players are fully engaged</p>

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			return from lockdown, which may have included experiences of bereavement. -Coaches to review Mental Health Support available and ensure immediate referrals are made to the Club Welfare Officer if support is required.		Refer to national campaigns on mental health.
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