

OPERATING DURING CORONAVIRUS - RISK ASSESSMENT

<p>Risk Assessment of operating during coronavirus pandemic.</p> <p>Who Might be Affected? Staff, students, contractors and visitors</p> <p>Valid from: 1st February 2022</p> <p>Staff with concerns are asked to contact Rosie Shale rshale@jcc.ac.uk</p>	<p>Date of Assessment: August 2020</p> <p>Reviewed: 1st February 2022</p> <p>Next Review: 2nd March 2022 (and monthly onwards)</p> <p>Name of Assessor Eleanor Collinge of Southalls and Rosie Shale of Joseph Chamberlain College</p> <p>NB: These control measures are in addition to site risk assessments which are held in the College file network and on Safety Cloud and remain applicable for other hazards.</p>
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INTRODUCTION - DESCRIPTION of WORK ACTIVITY / TASK:

This risk assessment outlines general measures to be adopted by all members of the college community. This assessment will be reviewed in line with national guidance (and local epidemiological data) as and when it becomes available. We expect high levels of cooperation from staff, students, contractors and visitors. Where levels of cooperation are less than expected from:

- Visitors and contractors – they should be removed from site without delay
- Staff and students – they should be removed from site without delay and referred to the college disciplinary processes. These individuals will be removed from site until the conclusion of college disciplinary processes.

Nothing contained within the risk assessment is intended to prevent action in an emergency, for instance during a fire evacuation or where an individual requires first aid.

Groups at Risk							
X	Staff	X	Students (16 – 19)	X	Contractor	X	Other (see below)
X	Adult students	X	Visitors	X			
Specific Groups / Individuals at Risk							
BAME individuals							
Clinically vulnerable individuals							
Extremely Clinically Vulnerable Individuals							

Guide to acronyms:

BAME – Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic

BTS – Birmingham Theatre School

CPR – Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation

DSE - Display Screen Equipment

HR – Human Resources

HVAC – Heating, Ventilation and Air-Conditioning

IPC – Infection Prevention and Control

OLC – Open Learning Centre

PC – Personal Computers

PHE – Public Health England

PPE – Personal Protective Equipment

SBO – Student Behaviour Officers

SLT – Senior Leadership Team

MRAC – Moseley Road Adult Centre

The following tables contain:

Pages 2 - 5 **General advice and guidance** about COVID-19 Coronavirus risks and safety

Pages 5 – 9 **Detailed overall assessment** of risks of operating in context of COVID-19 Coronavirus

Pages 9 – 15 Detailed overall assessment of risks in certain **locations**

Pages 15 – 18 Appendices – assessment of risks associated with operating **specific college activities**

Overall Risk	General Advice and Guidance:
<p>COVID-19 Coronavirus:</p> <p>Most people are at risk from infection (staff, students, visitors, etc.). The risk of COVID-19 infection is, as we know, higher for vulnerable persons. The list of who is currently vulnerable includes: the elderly; those with chronic underlying health conditions; pregnant women. BAME individuals are also now known to be more likely to be at risk from this virus. The majority of cases lead to mild symptoms (persistent coughing and</p>	<p>Government guidance is being reviewed on a regular basis to ensure the latest available information is put into practice. https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus The current government guidance and principles (February 2022) are reflected below.</p> <p>Overview</p> <p>The government continues to manage the risk of serious illness from the spread of the virus. The Prime Minister announced on 19 January that Plan B ended on 26 January. As a result, Plan B measures in the guidance for FE providers are removed. This advice remains subject to change as the situation develops. COVID-19 continues to be a virus that we learn to live with and the imperative to reduce the disruption to children and young people’s education remains. Our priority is for you to deliver face-to-face, high-quality education to all pupils. The evidence is clear that being out of education causes significant harm to educational attainment, life chances, mental and physical health.</p> <p>Current general control measures –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For all students, staff, contractors and visitors the wearing of a mask is strongly recommended but no longer compulsory. <p>In addition, college will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensure good hygiene for everyone, especially hand and respiratory hygiene.• Maintain appropriate cleaning regimes.• Keep occupied spaces well ventilated.• Promote vaccination for staff, students and parents.• Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19.

temperature). The disease, however, can be fatal. Transmission is via person to person spread as airborne droplets and also via surfaces contaminated with virus.

Working on site and from Home

College staff are expected to be on site during their hours of work. For staff with identified health conditions that make them vulnerable, an individual risk assessment will be produced to protect relevant staff. Students are expected to study on site unless they are one of the very small number of students under paediatric or other specialist care and have been advised by their clinician or other specialist not to attend.

Staff who are clinically extremely vulnerable

Clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV) people are advised, as a minimum, to follow the same guidance as everyone else. CEV people may wish to think particularly carefully about the additional precautions they can continue to take. Further information can be found in the [guidance on protecting people who are CEV from COVID-19](#). The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) has published guidance on [protecting vulnerable workers](#).

Staff and students who are pregnant

College will follow the [specific guidance for pregnant employees](#). This also applies in case of a student pregnancy.

Communication

All members of staff and students will be briefed on the measures in place in college and in particular about arrangements for working practices as well as precautions regarding the self-isolation process. There will also be regular communication with parents / guardians via newsletters/email bulletins about the coronavirus and our college arrangements in relation to these.

Travel to College

- Staff and students are reminded that wearing of face coverings on public transport is strongly recommended.

Arrival at college

- Staff, students, and visitors to the college are reminded of the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) at the point of entry to the site by:
 - a) Posters displayed at site entrances
 - b) Site rules displayed at visitor / contractor checking in points

Self-Isolation

- The college is following government guidance on self-isolation. If any member of college is exhibiting symptoms, they must follow the latest government guidance on testing and self-isolation. The latest advice is here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

Social distancing

Social distancing is no longer required by government guidelines in places of work or education, however, we strongly advise the avoidance of handshakes, hugs and other close contact greetings.

Personal Hygiene

- Staff and students are encouraged to use common control measures which include sneezing into a tissue or elbow and not just into the hand, followed by immediate disposal of tissue and frequent hand washing.

- The college will ensure that all students, members of staff and visitors maintain excellent standards of hand hygiene by providing additional hand washing and sanitising facilities.

Face Coverings and College Contingency Plan

- Masks are compulsory in all areas for all those on site. This includes all workspaces, offices, communal spaces such as corridors and classrooms.
- The college has a Covid-19 Contingency Plan in place to step up its control measures in the event of increased risk of Covid-19 on site.
- Other measures such as wearing face coverings, increased testing, and limiting large scale events and educational visits would be implemented according to the Contingency Plan, in collaboration with PHE and guided by their advice.
- At any time, this set of local contingency measures may be superseded by new national DFE guidance to schools and colleges who may increase controls in place on the college site such as social distancing or college closure.

Ventilation

All available external doors and windows are to be open for increased ventilation including classroom and shared office/workroom doors, as well as doors in the Crescent study areas overlooking the garden area and all doors of social spaces. Such doors and windows are to be opened at least 1.5 hours before lessons commence in the morning and at least 1.5 hours after lessons have finished at the end of the college day.

Cleaning and Disinfection

- A significantly enhanced cleaning regime will be in place with frequent extensive cleaning measures regularly employed.

Meetings

- The wearing of masks in meetings is strongly recommended but not compulsory. Staff should consider the use of a virtual meeting as a safer option.

Vaccinations

- Student and staff Covid-19 vaccination will be promoted actively as this lowers the risk to the whole college community.
- It is now a college requirement for staff to inform HR of vaccination status because this will make a difference to individual risk assessments and self-isolation requirements. Staff should inform HR of the dates of first and second vaccines as well as subsequent booster vaccines.
- Students will notify college about any vaccinations via the JCC Connect site at key points through the year – this will be kept as a central record to be used as part of our assessment of Covid-19 tracking in case of outbreaks or isolated cases.
- Personal staff or student vaccination records will be kept confidential.

First Aid

- A first aid needs assessment has been undertaken to determine the specific needs of the college. The College Nurse will be the first point of call for first aid issues. PPE will be provided for dealing with first aid emergencies.

	<p>Fire Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All staff will be advised on any changes to fire evacuation procedures (Fire Marshals will be chosen according to the staff present in the building.) • Fire doors in corridors will not be propped open without the use of a Maglock or similar linked to the fire alarm system. Classroom and shared office or workroom doors should be open for ventilation during use of the room, they must be closed at the end of the college day. <p>Other GENERAL Safety Measures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSE - PC users classed as habitual have completed a Display Screen Equipment Assessment. • Enhanced cleaning regime in place throughout college. • College nurse to provide materials for sanitising and disinfecting each room. • Site manager to oversee use of HVAC systems. <p>Lateral Flow Testing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The use of lateral flow testing will support college efforts in managing the control of COVID-19. • Use of home lateral flow test kits will be issued to staff and students who will be encouraged to test twice a week and submit results online both to college and to the NHS Test and Trace service. Students have been asked to test at home prior to the start of the Spring term - in the evening before the first day or on the morning of their first day back on site. <p>International travel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anyone that has been abroad must follow government guidance on travel: Travel abroad from England during coronavirus (COVID-19) - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) • • International educational visits should also be carefully considered due to the potential requirement to test and isolate as part of the journey.
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DETAILED RISK ASSESSMENT FOR OPERATING DURING CORONAVIRUS



Hazards	How might harm occur and to whom?	Control Measures
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Students and staff, contractors and visitors might have	<p>The college will minimise contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household with symptoms, do not attend college.</p> <p>Knowledge and awareness of symptoms - Most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) include the recent onset of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a new continuous cough

	<p>contact with symptomatic individuals and might contract the virus and/or pass it to others.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a sore throat • a high temperature • a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia). • We will offer any member of staff living with an ECV person, or who has symptoms not officially noted as the primary ones relating to Covid-19 (e.g. a headache) additional tests, where appropriate and desired. <p>Response to any infection - The following measures will be followed where relevant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The college will engage with the NHS Test and Trace process where the threshold for doing so is reached or where advice and guidance is required. • Local Health Protection Team advice will be followed in order to contain any outbreak. https://www.gov.uk/guidance/contacts-phe-health-protection-teams#west-midlands-east-hpt • The college will communicate with members of staff, students and parents/guardians and carers about NHS Test and Trace, and where necessary, will supply details of how to book tests. • Parents/guardians, students and members of staff are asked to inform the college immediately of any test results. <p>Advice if you have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital • You do not need to contact 111 to tell them you're staying at home • Book a PCR test here: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-for-coronavirus/ask-for-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/ • The latest advice about isolation is here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection <p>Adherence to following measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where students, members of staff and other adults have tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) they should self-isolate, stay at home and not attend the college. • COVID-19: guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection must be followed. • Staff and students are strongly encouraged to take weekly Lateral Flow Tests to identify any asymptomatic infection. Currently, where a positive result is recorded, these are not required to be confirmed by a PCR test.
<p>Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus</p>	<p>Students and staff, contractors and visitors working on site might have contact with asymptomatic</p>	<p>Teaching activity (see appendices)</p> <p>As classes and other activities are now at full capacity and social distancing has been removed, the additional control measures are –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active promotion of vaccination for all staff and students. • Increased ventilation. • Increased hygiene, cleaning and handwashing or sanitiser. • The strong recommendation to wear masks.

	<p>individuals and might contract the virus and/or pass it to others.</p>	<p>Classes will be at full capacity, the usage rules relating to alternate seating which previously applied will no longer be valid, however, the following should be adhered to strictly in these lessons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where possible, students will remain in a static seating plan. • Seating plans are to be updated whenever a student moves classes or joins a class.
	<p>Students and staff, contractors and visitors working on site might present as symptomatic at the workplace</p>	<p>The college will minimise contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does have symptoms, do not attend college.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If anyone in the workplace becomes unwell with COVID -19 symptoms, they will be sent home and advised to follow the ‘stay at home’ guidance. • Government guidance will be followed: <u>Safe working in education, childcare and children’s social care.</u> <p>Actions to be taken for cases of symptomatic individuals on site:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For staff / students unable to leave the premises immediately, a quarantine area has been identified with suitable welfare facilities for the sole use of symptomatic individuals. • This area will be deep cleaned after the individual has left the site. • Face masks can be used by staff supporting these individuals only where social distancing cannot be maintained. • Disposable gloves, masks and aprons can be used by staff where contact is reasonably foreseeable. • Where students or members of staff have been in close contact with or helped a student who has displayed symptoms, they will remain at college, unless they develop symptoms themselves or the symptomatic person tests positive for coronavirus. • Members of staff, students and parents/carers will be advised that close contact means: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ face-to-face contact with someone less than a metre away ➢ being within one metre for one minute or longer without face-to-face contact ➢ being within 2 metres of someone for more than 15 minutes ➢ travelling in a car or other vehicle with an infected person. • The college will maintain records of student and staff groupings as part of daily college activity. • Line managers will maintain regular contact with staff members during periods of self-isolation. • Pastoral staff will maintain regular contact with students during periods of self- isolation. <p>• Containing Outbreaks by following local Health Protection Team advice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The college will work with their local Health Protection Team upon identification of an outbreak. • The college’s Covid-19 Contingency Plan may be put in to action if the local Public Health Authority requires this. • Controls that may be implemented in the situation of an outbreak (as opposed to single unrelated cases) may include larger numbers to be self-isolated than usual practice, as precautionary measure, as well as other measures including increased testing and a restriction in the activities undertaken that involve larger numbers or crowded situations. • Where staffing levels may be reduced due to absences within the college the Principal / SLT on site will undertake an assessment of the necessary controls to operate the college with a reduced capacity. • Where the Principal is affected by self-isolation, the Vice Principal will lead the college.

Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risk to Mental Health and Wellbeing	<p>Mental Health https://hse.gov.uk/stress</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College managers will promote mental health and wellbeing awareness to staff during the Coronavirus outbreak and will offer whatever support they can to help. • Line managers to ensure regular communication of mental health information and an open-door policy for those who need additional support. • A staff well-being committee has been set up to support staff under pressure at this time and in the future. <p>https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/coronavirus-and-your-wellbeing/</p>
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risk of poor Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)	<p>Adoption of IPC principles outlined in Implementing Protective Measures in Education and Childcare Settings (11/05/2020)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimise contact with symptomatic individuals and those from a household with symptomatic individuals. • Cleaning hands on arrival and more frequent cleaning of hands with soap and water (preferred) or alcohol (60%) hand sanitiser. • Cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces often. <p>Hand Washing https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hand washing facilities available, with soap and water in place. Portable hand washing stations will be located in the courtyard. • Drying of hands with disposable paper towels advised. <p>https://www.nursingtimes.net/news/research-and-innovation/paper-towels-much-more-effective-at-removing-viruses-than-hand-dryers-17-04-2020/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff encouraged to protect the skin by applying emollient cream regularly https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/emollients/ • Gel sanitisers will be provided in any area where washing facilities are not readily available and for those unable to use the handwashing stations. <p>Additional advice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All to be reminded to catch coughs and sneezes in tissues – and to follow the slogan ‘Catch it, Bin it, Kill it’. • All to be reminded to avoid touching face, eyes, nose or mouth with unclean hands. • Staff will be encouraged to report any problems and carry out skin checks.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risk of high viral loading on contact surfaces	<p>Cleaning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An enhanced cleaning regime will ensure the more frequent cleaning and disinfecting of objects and surfaces that are touched regularly, particularly in areas of high use, such as desks, computer screens, keyboards, computer mice, phones, photocopiers, door handles, stair rails, light switches, lift contact points, kitchen surfaces, toilets and taps etc using appropriate cleaning products, disinfectant and appropriate methods. • Bins are covered, provided with bin bags, and collected for disposal daily. • Rigorous checks will be carried out by cleaning manager and site manager to ensure that the necessary procedures are being followed.

<p>Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus</p>	<p>Risk related to provision and use of PPE including the possibility of over-reliance on PPE or lack of understanding of IPC</p>	<p>Disposable PPE will be promoted over the use of re-usable PPE Government guidance will be followed: <u>Safe working in education, childcare and children’s social care.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disposable PPE such as gloves will not be issued routinely to staff as there is a risk from poor / ineffective decontamination practices by the user of PPE. • Where Risk Assessment identifies wearing of gloves / masks as a requirement of the job, an adequate supply of these will be provided. Staff will be instructed on how to remove these carefully to reduce contamination and how to dispose of them safely. https://www.hse.gov.uk/skin/videos/gloves/index.htm • Staff will be reminded that wearing of gloves is not a substitute for good hand washing Disposable PPE should be either: (A) Sealed in packaging (B) Worn (C) In the bin • Once used, PPE must be considered contaminated with infectious material and: • Disposable PPE must be placed in a sealed bag before entering the normal waste stream. • Re-usable PPE decontaminated in accordance with the manufacturers’ instructions. Where manufacturers’ instructions do not provide detailed instructions on the decontamination from microbiological organisms they should not be re-used. Cleaning materials should be placed in a sealed bag before entering the normal waste stream. Clinical waste collection should be prompt and regular.
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RISKS RELATING TO KEY LOCATIONS



Hazards	How might harm occur and to whom?	Control Measures
<p>Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus</p>	<p>Risks to those people using public transport to journey to college</p>	<p>Travel to College</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff and students are strongly recommended to wear face coverings on public transport in travelling to college. • Walking and cycling to college is to be encouraged and promoted.
<p>Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus</p>	<p>Risks associated with people arriving at college gates and entrances</p>	<p>Arrival at college gates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On arrival staff and students will be required to show ID cards. • If an ID card has not been bought to college, a temporary replacement will be available. Temporary cards will be disinfected once returned and stored securely for 72 hrs before re-issue. • On arrival staff and students should self-declare any recent illness of themselves or contacts.

Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks to those people using college reception areas	Reception areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Signing in for college visitors who have a booked appointment is via a computer terminal, the screen is cleaned with a sanitising spray regularly. The sign in screens include a declaration that they are not symptomatic, not been a contact of a positive case, nor have tested positive in the last seven days. ● All entrants to the College will be required to use the hand sanitiser / hand washing stations after using turnstiles. ● Hand washing stations to be located in the courtyard for students to use and sanitiser for any student unable to use the washing stations.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks associated with classroom use	The following measures will be in place when the college is open for general teaching: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students will remain in a static seating plan, which is to be submitted for the purposes of contact tracing where required. ● Records of student / staff vaccination will be sought and held confidentially in order to assist in decisions about self-isolation. ● Masks are strongly recommended to be worn but are not compulsory. Students should comply with a request for masks if a teacher asks for this. ● Close face to face contact is to be avoided. ● Each classroom to be equipped with a sanitising station with hand sanitiser, disinfectant wipes and tissues. ● Staff and students should use hand sanitisers on entering the classroom and may also choose to use disinfecting wipes to clean own desk at the start of a session. ● Classroom shared Chromebooks and computers may be used if each keyboard, mouse and screen is sanitised between users. ● Students and teachers can take text books home but unnecessary sharing will be avoided. Good hand hygiene when handling these resources is emphasised. ● A 'clear desk' practice is to be actively encouraged. ● Portable fans are not to be used in classrooms. ● Air conditioning units to be switched off where the air used is recirculated air. ● Windows and doors to classrooms (except fire doors without automated closing devices) to remain to open to increase ventilation. These are to be open for 1.5 hours before and after the college day. ● Ventilation system to vent only air from outside, no recirculation of air is permitted. ● Where this is not possible, use of air purification units with HEPA filters should be considered.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risk associated with large rooms such as hall/sports hall	Large gatherings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Masks are strongly recommended to be worn in any large gatherings. ● Negative lateral flow test results may be required or proof of vaccination for attendance at larger scale events.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks associated with social and eating areas	Eating and drinking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students and staff are encouraged to use outdoor seating areas. ● Arrangements will be made to clean lunch and break tables regularly throughout the day. ● Staff and students should use hand sanitisers or wash hands before eating. ● Contract caterers will provide evidence to the college of the measures that they are taking to be COVID-secure.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks of working in offices and	Staff offices and work rooms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Staff are reminded that masks are strongly recommended when sharing a work room or office. ● Each office or work room to be equipped with a box containing hand sanitiser, disinfectant wipes and tissues.

	staff work rooms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff should use hand sanitisers on entering the room and may also choose to use disinfecting wipes to clean own desk. • Shared computers may only be used if the keyboard, mouse and screen are sanitised between users. • A 'clear desk' practice is to be actively encouraged. • Staff members are discouraged from using other colleagues' phones, work tools and equipment, cups and drinking / eating vessels where possible. If necessary, clean and disinfect them before and after use. • Doors of shared office spaces are to be open for ventilation. • Larger gatherings in such rooms might need to be re-located or conducted remotely • Portable fans are not to be used. • Air conditioning to be switched off if recirculated air is used in the air conditioning units.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks associated with hand hygiene and toilet use	<p>Students and staff to maintain handwashing hygiene - according to current government guidelines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Posters are to be displayed around the college site showing a good hand washing technique i.e at least 20 seconds with soap and water followed by thoroughly drying hands. • Staff and students are informed to avoid physically greeting others for example, the shaking of hands or nudging elbows is discouraged. A simple 'good morning' or 'good afternoon' will suffice. • Paper towels and hand driers are provided in WCs to encourage good hand hygiene. • Site team to check soap dispensers and paper towels are fully stocked.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks associated with social and study areas and corridors	<p>Students and staff to maintain current government guidelines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masks are strongly recommended in these areas. • Doors of social spaces should be open to increase ventilation. • Students to be encouraged to use outdoor spaces in preference to indoor areas.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks associated with Prayer Room	<p>Students and staff to avoid large gatherings where possible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hand sanitiser is to be used before entering and on leaving the prayer room and Friday prayers. • Shoes to be placed in designated shoe rack spaces only. • Students to bring own individual prayer mat – no sharing is to be allowed. • Friday prayers in the main hall will be streamed live to the prayer room. • Masks are strongly recommended in the prayer room.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks associated with external college areas	<p>External areas are not areas considered to be high risk, so students and staff are encouraged to make use of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garden • Courtyard
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks associated with working outside the JCC site at other centres	<p>Staff to work in accordance with JCC risk assessment guidance over and above any local centre guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • External organisations' risk assessments to be collected and communicated to all relevant staff and students. • All principles included in this JCC risk assessment to apply to working at other centres – away from main site - where relevant. • Managers to communicate JCC Covid-19 Safety protocols and expectations to their staff at other centres. • Staff to communicate JCC Covid-19 Safety protocols and expectations to their learners at other centres.

RISKS RELATING TO COLLEGE ACTIVITY

- OTHER THAN REGULAR CLASSROOM CONTACT:

Hazards	How might harm occur and to whom?	Control Measures
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risk related to delivery of Personal Care	<p>Disposable face masks / visors and other items of PPE will be provided for staff required to provide personal care to students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is anticipated to affect a very small number of staff as the number of students requiring personal care is likely to be very limited. • Guidance on PPE use will be communicated to this specific 'at risk' group before those students return to premises. • This guidance will be based on NHS / PHE advice on the provision of community-based care. (Fluid repellent mask, disposable aprons and disposable gloves).
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Provision of First Aid	<p>First aid will be provided within current governmental guidance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face masks will be provided for staff providing first aid if required. This will affect a very small number of staff. • Current guidance on the provision of CPR will be provided to First Aiders. Rescue breaths must not be applied without the availability of appropriate equipment. • First aid guidance will be based on NHS / PHE advice on the provision of community-based care. • College nurse will notify management if she becomes aware of any change in national first aid guidelines. • No vulnerable staff to provide first aid cover.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks associated with lettings of college facilities	<p>College lettings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports hall and Saturday school lettings may resume later this academic year and will be subject to all of the controls listed in this risk assessment.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks of running trips and visits off site	<p>Student trips or visits are permitted within government and college guidelines.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If college minibuses are to be used for this purpose, hand sanitiser will be provided for use by students and staff members when getting onto and off the vehicle. Masks are strongly recommended on college minibuses. • Outdoor visits are preferable to the planning of any indoor activities.
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risks of running Enrichment activity	<p>Enrichment activity will resume.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any sporting activity will be carried out according to the regulations of the appropriate sporting bodies. • Masks are strongly recommended for all enrichment activity with the exception of any sporting activity which includes physical exertion where masks would inhibit performance. • College sports activity will be re-started in accordance with national guidelines. • Other enrichment activities must be carried out the control measures listed in this document, bearing in mind the need for enhanced hygiene and ventilation.

<p>Risks related to Fire Safety in the context of Covid 19</p>	<p>A wariness of close contact in an emergency may lead to an increase in evacuation time and promote fire spread throughout the building</p>	<p>Fire Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff and students are encouraged to use hand sanitiser or hand washing stations when re-entering the building / classrooms following a fire evacuation. • Practice evacuations will resume as normal this year instead of last year’s ‘walk through’ drills. • Weekly in-house testing of the fire alarm / emergency lighting will continue. • Corridor fire doors will not be propped open, even as a measure to minimise surface contact. Door handles and touch points will be cleaned on a frequent basis throughout the day, as per government guidance. • Classroom and shared workroom / office doors should remain open to ventilate the room during use. These doors should be closed when a room is not occupied at the end of the day.
<p>Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus</p>	<p>Contractor visits, External workers AND parental visits to college</p>	<p>External visitors and contractors to be controlled and monitored on site as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visits such as those concerned with the management of fire safety, legionella, gas safety, electrical safety, and examinations of ventilation systems will be pre-arranged with the relevant contractor. The following measures will be adopted, where possible: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The room will be well ventilated, where possible. b) Contractors will be issued with additional site rules at reception, including expectations in terms of cleaning, respiratory hygiene and hand hygiene. The contractor must confirm that they are not symptomatic. c) Hand sanitiser gel will be provided for use upon entry to the site. • Cleaning, catering and facilities contractors, including landscaping: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Site rules including those on cleaning, hand hygiene and respiratory hygiene expectations will be issued to each contractor. b) Posters will be displayed within kitchens, cleaning cupboards, and facilities offices regarding, hand hygiene, etc. • OFSTED visits have been confirmed as resuming. The management of such a visit would be planned in a light of this risk assessment. • Parents’ evenings and open evenings will take place in person, though masks will be strongly recommended in such large gatherings. Each event will be covered by a separate risk assessment, which will include Lateral Flow Testing for parents who come on to site for the event. • Safety Consultant and enforcement officer (e.g. food safety officers) visits may be unannounced. The following control measures will be implemented: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Visitors must book in at reception. b) They must confirm that they are not symptomatic (for COVID-19) and that they are not a recent contact of a case of Covid-19. c) They will be issued with site rules regarding hand hygiene, cleaning and respiratory hygiene. d) Hand gel will be provided at reception for use.
<p>Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus</p>	<p>Risk of operating public examinations during</p>	<p>Joseph Chamberlain College will follow guidance in relation to the conduct of public examinations as outlined in government guidance.</p> <p>Exam room set up:</p>

	<p>Coronavirus pandemic</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exam rooms will be cleaned before each examination session, specifically exam desks and chairs will be cleaned, including any staff desks and chairs which are at the front of the exam room. • Exam desks will be set up to be forward facing. • Exam desks will be set up at a one metre distance from each other from the centre point of each candidate’s chair and desk. • There is no overall limit on the number of candidates who can sit in a room, as long as desks are correctly spaced. The upper limit to the number of candidates who can take an exam in a room together depends on the desk spacing requirements. • Portable fans are not to be used. • Ventilation must be provided through open doors and windows where possible. <p>Candidate conduct:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates should not attend college for any examination if they have symptoms of Coronavirus. If any member of their household has symptoms or has tested positive they may attend the exam if they are under 18 and 6 months or have been double vaccinated at least 14 days prior to the examination. • Candidates should not attend college for an examination if they are awaiting a Coronavirus test result, instead they should self-isolate. • Candidates will be allowed to enter the examination room early and will not be gathered in groups before the examination. Candidates will be asked to queue in an orderly fashion. • Candidates will use hand washing stations (or hand sanitiser) before entry to their examination, including any late arrivals. • Candidates will be strongly advised against bringing bags and phones with them to public examinations. • Candidate departures from an examination will be carefully staggered, with row by row exit being carefully supervised, and a significant time left between each group leaving the room. <p>Face coverings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face coverings are optional for candidates and strongly recommended for invigilators for the duration of the examination. <p>Invigilators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invigilators may walk up and down aisles between desks, and may also stand at the front of the exam room and see all the candidates in the room. • Invigilators should minimise close contact with students and staff. • Invigilators should wash their hands thoroughly and more frequently than usual and particularly after handling exam papers and candidate answer booklets. • Invigilators should be aware of the definition of a ‘close contact’ as being someone within a distance of 1 metre for less than a minute or within 2 metres for 15 minutes or more.
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APPENDICES - RISK ASSESSMENTS FOR SPECIFIC TYPES OF TEACHING AREAS

1. Subjects with a practical element such as art, PE, drama, science

Hazards	How might harm occur and to whom?	<p style="text-align: center;">Control Measures</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The following measures will be in place when the college is open for general teaching:</p>
<p>Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus</p>	<p>Risks associated with teaching of art subjects</p>	<p>In subjects with a practical element, the following principles and protocols will be followed in addition to the more general guidance above:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will be issued with their own PPE e.g. eye protection or disposable aprons where required. • Students will be offered the option of buying from the college a lab coat and eye protection for their own personal use. • Sharing of equipment is to be discouraged and any shared equipment must be sanitised after use and between each user. • Any unused surfaces are to be kept clear in order to facilitate an enhanced college cleaning regime. • Open shelves should be cleared and any resources should be stored in cupboards. • Where practical work takes place, all equipment must be issued by staff and must be disinfected or quarantined between users. Dishwasher will be used to ensure all equipment is disinfected between users, provided it meets CLEAPS guidance on safety. • Practical work should be designed to minimise movement around the room where possible. • Computer keyboards, screens and mice should be disinfected between users. • For drama, a Covid-19 risk assessment must be produced at least two weeks before each performance. Masks are strongly recommended but may be removed for performance and for rehearsal where there is considerable physical exertion. • CLEAPSS guidance to be followed by all staff in relevant subjects. • Portable fans are not to be used in classrooms. • Classroom doors will be open for ventilation.

2. Classroom based subjects (e.g. history, English, religious studies, psychology, sociology etc...)

Hazards	How might harm occur and to whom?	<p style="text-align: center;">Control Measures</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The following measures will be in place when the college is open for general teaching:</p>
<p>Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus</p>	<p>Risks associated with classroom based subjects with little or no practical work involved</p>	<p>Students and staff to maintain control measures listed above according to current government guidelines and in addition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where possible, students will remain in a static seating plan for each of their different subjects. • Where this is not possible, risks will be lowered by the use of regular cleaning. • Records of student / staff vaccination will be sought and held confidentially in order to assist in decisions about self-isolation. • Masks are strongly recommended in classrooms for staff and students. If staff choose, a visor may be worn in place of a mask, though staff should be aware that a visor provides less protection from the virus than a mask. • All unnecessary teaching resources will be removed from learning environments to assist the cleaning process. • Each classroom to be equipped with hand sanitiser, disinfectant wipes and tissues. • Staff and students should use hand sanitisers on entering the classroom and should use disinfecting wipes to clean own desk at the start of a session. • Close face to face contact will be avoided. • Classroom shared Chromebooks and computers may be used if each keyboard, mouse and screen is sanitised between users. College headphones are not to be issued or shared – students may use their own. • Classroom resources are not to be shared and any equipment issued to an individual (such as a camera in film studies – for example) will be kept by the individual student until its return. • A ‘clear desk’ practice is actively encouraged. • Portable fans are not to be used in classrooms. • Air conditioning units to be switched off, where no additional ventilation is provided in the classroom. • Windows and doors to remain to open to increase ventilation. These are to be closed when college is locked at the end of the day. • Ventilation system to vent only air from outside, no recirculation of air is permitted. • Where this is not possible, use of air purification units with HEPA filters should be considered.

3. ADULT LEARNING AT MRAC

Hazards	How might harm occur and to whom?	<p style="text-align: center;">Control Measures</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The following measures will be in place when the college is open for general teaching:</p>
<p>Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus</p>	<p>Risks associated with learning at Moseley Road Adult Centre (MRAC)</p>	<p>MRAC is a separate site with adult learners, and is a building which has small rooms and narrow corridors, with a variety of heating methods, hence the following precautions will be undertaken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hand sanitising materials to be available on entry to each room. • Where local heating is provided by a fan unit, this must not be used. • Where windows open they should be used to provide ventilation. Where this is not possible, use of air purification units with HEPA filters should be considered. • Classroom doors should remain open for ventilation. • A one-way system remains in operation. • Courtyard door should be used to increase air circulation and ventilation in the building where weather permits. • Classrooms must adhere to rules as applied on main college site and additional control measures such as sanitiser, disinfectant wipes, ventilation should be used - as listed above. • Where possible, students will remain in a static seating plan. • The wearing of masks is strongly recommended in classrooms and in corridors/work rooms. • Vaccination against Covid-19 is to be actively promoted. • Records of student / staff vaccination will be sought and held confidentially in order to assist in decisions about self-isolation.

4. INCLUSIVE LEARNING SUPPORT

Hazards	How might harm occur and to whom?	Control Measures The following measures will be in place when the college is open for general teaching:
Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus	Risk of students and staff working closely together in learning support context	<p>Government guidelines and advice is here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-send-risk-assessment-guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-send-risk-assessment-guidance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government SEND legislation was previously amended to require schools and colleges to make ‘reasonable endeavours’ to meet the needs of students with additional needs – either with or without an EHCP. This amendment has now been withdrawn and previous legislation relating to SEND provision has been reinstated. • The following controls will be used to deliver learning support: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Equipment will not be shared. Any equipment issued will be kept by the individual student until its return, after which it will be disinfected before re-issue. b. Assistance for students with disabilities requiring increased levels of contact – for example assistance with a wheelchair – will be carried out using increased levels of hand hygiene and disinfection. c. Vaccination is strongly advised for those staff and students who are considered to be more vulnerable to the risks of Covid-19 infection.

Please contact Rosie Shale at JCC or Eleanor Collinge at Southalls in the event any of the controls within this risk assessment require updating or changing so amendments can be recorded.