



NIFC COMMUNITY AWARENESS UPDATE



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(The Community Awareness Update provides general information to enable personnel to keep up-to-date with routine correspondence; it is not provided for mission-related items and does not replace the Emergency Messaging System.)

A SIMPLE GUIDE TO THE UK GOVERNMENT’S FOUR-STEP PLAN (Each step is subject to four tests being fulfilled, with gaps of at least five weeks between each phase, as below):

Step 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● From 8 Mar: All schools will open with outdoor after-school sports and activities allowed. Socialising in an outdoor public spaces, such as a park, will be allowed between two people. ● From 29 Mar: Return of the “Rule of Six”: Groups of larger than six from a maximum of two households will also be allowed to meet. Outdoor sport and leisure facilities, such as golf courses and tennis courts, will be allowed to reopen, and organised outdoor sport can resume for children and adults.
Step 2 (From 12 Apr)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All non-essential retail can reopen. ● Pubs, restaurants and cafes can reopen, with outdoor seating only. ● Gyms and other indoor leisure can reopen (limited to household groups). ● Hairdressers and other personal care businesses can open again. ● Domestic holidays can resume (limited to household groups). ● Outdoor attractions like zoos and theme parks can reopen. ● Weddings and wakes can have up to 15 people. ● Libraries and community centres can reopen. ● All children’s activities can resume, including indoor parent and children groups with up to 15 parents. ● Tests will be conducted for larger events.
Step 3 (From 17 May)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rules of Six will come into effect indoors (subject to review). ● Indoor seating can resume in pubs and restaurants. ● Indoor entertainment venues like cinemas and theatres can reopen. ● Domestic overnight stays can resume. ● Organised indoor adult sport can start again. ● Weddings and other “significant life events” can include up to 30 people. ● Remaining outdoor entertainment, such as performances, can resume. ● Remaining accommodation can reopen.
Step 4 (From 21 Jun)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Larger events can resume. ● Night clubs can reopen. ● No legal limits on social contact.

HAD THE VACCINE? WHAT WE KNOW AND WHAT WE ARE STILL LEARNING:

- **We know** that COVID-19 vaccines are effective at preventing COVID-19 disease, especially severe illness and death.
 - **We are still learning** how effective the vaccines are against variants of the virus that causes COVID-19. Early data show the vaccines may work against some variants but could be less effective against others.
- **We know that other prevention steps help stop the spread of COVID-19, and that these steps are still important, even as vaccines are being distributed.**
 - **We are still learning** how well COVID-19 vaccines keep people from spreading the disease.
 - Early data show that the vaccines may help keep people from spreading COVID-19, but we are learning more as more people get vaccinated.
- We are still learning **how long** COVID-19 vaccines can protect people.

Don't forget to take part in the Bldg 407 Photography Display (Apr-Jun) and Online Art Tutorial (Apr).

Is it an emergency? Call 999

If it is not life threatening: Call 101 for the Civil Police; Call 111 for the NHS.

If you want to report a concern anonymously, you can report it via the Crimestoppers website or via their hotline on: 0800 555 111.

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