



NIFC COMMUNITY AWARENESS UPDATE



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UK EASING OF LOCKDOWN - STEP 2, WITH EFFECT FROM 12 APR 21:

The UK Government's 'Guidance COVID-19 Response - Spring 2021' outlined a staged roadmap to coming out of lockdown.

Step 2, effective 12 Apr 21, presents an opportunity for businesses and communities in towns and cities to re-open and re-energise. The new measures include:

- All shops allowed to open.
- Restaurants and pub gardens will be allowed to serve customers sitting outdoors, including alcohol.
- Gyms and spas can reopen for individuals and households.
- Hairdressers, beauty salons and other "close contact services" can reopen.
- UK "staycations" away from home permitted, with self-contained accommodation able to reopen for use by members of the same household.
- Children allowed to attend indoor play activities, with up to 15 parents or guardians allowed to join them.
- Zoos, theme parks and drive-in cinemas can reopen.
- Libraries and community centres can reopen.
- Weddings attended by up to 15 people can take place.

Key Point: It is likely that we will see a change in how publicly accessible locations, e.g. high streets, feel and operate. However, coronavirus is not going to go away, it still has to be dealt with by continuing good defensive measures, including face coverings, hand washing, social distancing, lateral flow testing, etc., in order to protect our families, friends, colleagues and our workplaces - please continue to comply.

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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