Risk Action

Spread of pathogens during the pandemic (COVID-19). Updated August 2021 to reflect the latest Government guidance.

Objective: to reduce risk of COVID-19 transmission to the lowest reasonably practicable level by taking preventative measures.

At live events -

Reduce risk of transmitting the virus from venue to audience, speaker and committee members; within the audience and across committee members; from audience and committee members to speaker; from speaker to audience and committee members.

Committee meetings -

Reduce risk of transmitting the virus between committee members.

In the event of a change to Government guidelines the previous Risk Assessment Protocol (see below), may need to be reimplemented.

- Members must not come to live events if they display symptoms of COVID-19.
- Members may choose to wear face coverings if they wish.
- Committee to ensure socially distanced seating in accordance with Government/ church guidelines.
- Managed entrance of members to ensure social distancing as per church guidelines.
- Hand sanitiser to be provided at the entrance of the church and at the exit.
- Hand sanitiser to be provided for speaker in the green room.
- Speaker's lectern to be placed at least 2m away from audience.
- After the talk, a managed exit to encourage social distancing.
- Committee members to observe social distancing guidelines at the venue before, during and after the event, where possible.
- In the event of restricted capacity members to book in advance online if they wish to attend the talk in the church.
- Total number of guests to be capped following Government/ church guidelines.

In addition, there must be strict adherence to any additional church guidelines put in place.

All BLS committee meetings to follow government guidelines regarding social distancing. Zoom meetings to be implemented where necessary.