**Chipping Congregational Church - Covid 19 risk assessment/risk register for corporate worship in chapel**

Objective: To keep worshippers safe and minimise the risk of transmitting Covid-19 virus

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| **Risk** | **Unmitigated risk** | | | **Controls to mitigate risk** | **Residual risk after applying controls** | **Mitigated risk** | | | **Comments** |
|  | I\* | L\* | Score |  |  | I\* | L\* | Score |  |
| People will enter the building with virus | 4 | 3 | 12 | Remind congregation of virus symptoms and encourage them not to attend if displaying symptoms.  Live stream services for those unable to, or advised not to, attend (including elderly and vulnerable) | Controls in place should reduce risk to acceptable level | 4 | 1 | 4 |  |
| People will transmit virus while in building or on arriving or leaving. | 4 | 4 | 16 | Maintain distancing (2m if possible, 1m plus mitigations as minimum).  Regular cleaning of surfaces.  Provide and encourage use of hand sanitiser on entering and exiting building.  Restrict number of worshippers at any one time to 30.  Arrange seating to best facilitate distancing and stewards to monitor and advise worshippers.  Employ one-way system to avoid ‘pinch-points’ on entering and exiting building.  Use 2m distancing markings outside chapel to remind people on entering of distancing requirements.  Restrict access to high risk areas (toilets, kitchen) so only used in emergencies.  Discourage worshippers from arriving early or staying to chat after worship (including asking people to consider using Village Hall Car Park and chatting there, whilst maintaining 2m distancing).  Ensure no communal singing or use of wind instruments.  Use pre-recorded music.  Encourage use of face coverings.  Keep external doors open to increase ventilation. | Controls in place should reduce risk to acceptable level | 4 | 2 | 8 |  |
| People do not maintain distancing requirements | 4 | 4 | 16 | Stewards to remind visitors of current requirements regarding distancing (1m+ as minimum, 2m where possible).  Signage in place to remind worshippers of distancing requirements. | Controls in place should reduce risk to acceptable level | 4 | 2 | 8 |  |
| Someone who has attended public worship tests positive for virus or develops symptoms | 5 | 4 | 20 | Keep record of attendees to facilitate tracing (on duty stewards to record names).  Inform safeguarding lead (Karen Townley) and Pastor. | Controls in place should reduce risk to acceptable level.  If controls are effective for other risks this risk should not lead to transmission of virus. | 5 | 1 | 5 |  |

\*I equates to Impact of risk and L to Likelihood of risk precipitating, on scale of 1-5. ‘Score’ is ‘product’ (impact x likelihood).

Controls in place to mitigate risks need to result in risk scores being reduced to an acceptable level . . . risk score of less than 10.

RAG rating – risk scores of greater than 15 are rated Red ®, risk scores below 10 are rated Green (G) and risk scores between 10 and 15 are rated Amber (A).

Where risk scores after application of controls are still Red or Green further controls should be considered.

The risks and scores should be updated regularly.

Risks identified and assessed by Pastor Andy Lund 22 June 2020.