Local group guidance for activities during Covid-19 Pandemic

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The Government announced an easing of lockdown from March 2021 that allows small social gatherings.

The guidance in this note is for LCC groups, and in particular the officers of those groups and anyone involved in running group activities. It covers the period from the 12 April until further notice. It does not replace Government guidance and should be read alongside the latter.

LCC Cycle Buddies fully resume from the 6 April 2021 with meetings in person of the two buddies.

LCC Community Rides put on by LCC Local groups resume from 12 April following the guidance on outside recreation with a maximum of 15. We are following Cycling UK's Guidance on group rides in England. The 'organised sports' exemption is being used for these activities to be larger than 6 people or 2 households.

The sports exemption only applies whilst the 'sports activity' is happening. At the start, end and on any stops the rule of 6 applies again. The sports exemption also requires participants to be recorded. To comply with this LCC are using Eventbrite to pre-register participants and to keep their details for track and trace. Ride Leaders must notify LCC of who turns up on the day, who is volunteering and ensure only pre-registered participants are allowed on the ride. No LCC group should run 'Turn up and go' rides.

If the sports exemption is not in place then the rules on social distancing must be observed. They limit activities to 6 people or 2 households.

LCC Community Bike Checks / Dr Bikes restart if outside from the 12 April as long as social distancing rules are in place.

For all activities you must have an event-specific risk assessment. This should identify general and Covid-19 risks and propose mitigation measures. You should submit these risk assessments to the office unless you have agreed a different process.

For LCC Community Rides, participants must register beforehand and you must not allow anyone to turn up on the day. Preferably you should use the central LCC Eventbrite account for registration, so that the office can manage the data and keep a central record of all those participating in LCC events. If you are using a different registration system you should make sure you can transfer the data to LCC.

Please talk to Stewart Dring about restarting your local community events if you have not already.

LCC will review the situation regularly and any changes will be notified via the Friday post.

The latest and most up-to-date Government guidance is here: https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus.

Government Guidance on outdoor recreation https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home

NHS Guidance on Covid-19 https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/

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