

CORONAVIRUS AND WEST EDINBURGH: UPDATE 15 - 02/07/2020

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News on Children; meeting other households; face coverings in shops; 5M restriction lifts; hospitality venues, As always if you need my help, please email me at alex.cole-hamilton.msp@parliament.scot. Best wishes Alex

Changes announced by the Scottish Government today include:

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

From tomorrow, children under the age of 12 will no longer have to maintain physical distancing from children of other households but must continue to meet outdoors.

Young people who are aged 12-17 are to continue to keep physical distancing measures.

MEETING OTHER HOUSEHOLDS

Whilst this is still limited to a maximum of 8 people from up to 3 households at a time, there will no longer be a limit to the number of such meetings you can have in a day. So you can meet different groups of friends several times a day.

FACE COVERINGS

From 10th July, face coverings will become mandatory in all shops. People are encouraged to begin wearing them now.

RELAXATION OF SOCIAL DISTANCING- HOSPITALITY VENUES ONLY

From next week, when beer gardens and out door hospitality venues are expected to reopen, the social distancing rule will be reduced from 2m to 1m.

Hospitality venues will have to collect contact details from all customers and retain them for a period of 4 weeks.

In all other circumstances the 2m rule should be observed as best practice with particular attention to be paid to it by at risk groups and those over 70.

5 MILE TRAVEL RESTRICTION TO BE LIFTED TOMORROW.

The limit of 5 miles applied to those venturing out for exercise or recreation will be lifted from tomorrow.

PLACES WHERE OUTBREAKS OCCUR SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

Following a small outbreak of the virus in Dumfries and Galloway, the Government have imposed a 5 Mile travel restriction around all affected postcodes.