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**A message for Community groups/charities using community venues across Carmarthenshire,
on behalf of the Community Centres Network**

Community centres, village halls, and other multi-use community facilities support a wide range of local activity. However, their communal nature also makes them places that are vulnerable to the spread of coronavirus.

The **Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No 5) (Wales) Regulations 2020** (as amended) allow for the reopening of Community Centres but place a duty on those persons responsible for the centre to take reasonable measures to minimise risk of exposure to coronavirus at the premises or the spread of coronavirus by those who have been at the premises. Failure to do so will give rise to enforcement action.



What does this mean for you as someone who is using these facilities for your activity, meetings etc?

1. Halls will have their own risk assessments and hire agreements which you MUST abide by. They may change on a daily basis so be mindful of updates.
2. You MUST provide your own risk assessment for your activity and provide a copy for the venue.
3. Reasonable measures initiated by the venue may include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Keeping records for track and trace
 - b. Maintaining 2m/1m physical distancing
 - c. Reducing capacity of the venue to half or less
 - d. Limiting access to previously available rooms/resources/facilities
 - e. Following one-way systems
 - f. Reducing the time of your booking
 - g. Your need to follow sanitising requirements
 - h. How you dispose of your rubbish
 - i. How you must clean the venue before you leave it
 - j. Your requirement to wear a mask

Many of our community centres, village halls, and other multi-use community facilities are run by volunteers and the financial implications of these measures may also be reason for them not reopening at this time.

Thank you for supporting our community venues and for your patience and understanding. There may be a number of changes, as new guidance is made available, so please check with your specific venue/s.