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Sent to BID Businesses on 30th June 2020

From Wandsworth Council: Guidance for pubs and bars and how to safely reopen on 4 July 2020.

Dear Pub and Bar Managers/Owners

At the zoom call last Friday we said that we would circulate the risk assessment template (attached) and also the link to the Wandsworth site with advice for businesses:

<https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/business-and-licensing/business-support/covid-19-support-for-businesses-and-workers/re-openingyourbusiness/>

The contact details for Raveena Purewal the Environmental Health Practitioner for Wandsworth who was on the call:

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We also undertook to circulate the answers to some of your questions:

Which parts of the Government Sectoral Guidance are legal requirements?

This is a difficult question to answer as the guidance covers various points, for example drinking outdoors is subject to having a Licence which is a legal requirement. It is a legal requirement to produce a risk assessment and under sections 2 and 3 of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 employers have a duty to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the health and safety at work of their employees, customers and any other visitors. The guidance provides advice on how to manage the risk posed by COVID-19 and assist you with complying with the above two requirements.

Must we use plastic cups outdoors?

Refer to your licence conditions unless this is a requirement of your licence you do not need to use plastic cups outdoors.

What is the process to apply to put tables/chairs outdoors?

If you haven't got an existing license, please discuss the space for which you would like a license with your BID Manager if you are in a Business Improvement District, or else call Lorinda Freint on 020 76273182 or

email Lorinda.freint@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk or Brian Albuquerque brian.albuquerque@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk

Contact for Wandsworth Council Street Trading Team if you have an existing license or for further information.

Telephone: 020 8871 6127

Email: streettrading@wandsworth.gov.uk

Is 30 the absolute maximum number of people allowed to be indoors and outdoors for pubs and restaurants?

There is no maximum limit set out by the government, your risk assessment should determine how many people you can safely allow into your premises. The guidance does say that businesses should make customers aware of and encourage compliance with, limits on gatherings. Indoor gatherings are limited to members of any two households (or support bubbles), while outdoor gatherings are limited to members of any two households (or support bubbles), or a group of at most six people from any number of households.

I wish to cater for a wedding outdoors. Can more than 30 people gather if it's safe to do so?

At the moment, 30 individuals can gather for wedding ceremonies only and large wedding receptions should not be taking place. Wedding celebrations can only happen when people follow the limits on gatherings. Indoor gatherings are limited to members of any two households (or support bubbles), while outdoor gatherings are limited to members of any two households (or support bubbles), or a group of at most six people from any number of households.

I planned to record customer details by pen and paper at our entrance. How do we do this safely?

The guidance states you should be managing the entry of customers into the premises, so the person managing the entry of customers can record customer details. This will be safer and ensure all customers provide their details.

Can I open snooker/pool tables or darts?

On the basis that snooker/pool tables, darts and table tennis come under indoor sports facilities which are required by the government to stay closed, you should not open any of the above facilities.

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If you are a Clapham Junction BID business and you have missed any of these communications, or for more information – please contact Roz Lloyd-Williams, The Executive BID Director, The Junction BID Tel: 07522 812299 email: roz.lloyd-williams@thejunctionbid.co.uk