BiP Solutions

COVID 19 Risk Assessment

Return to the Office Environment

This Risk Assessment has been created in direct response to the COVID-19 pandemic and in preparation for the planned phased return of employees to the office environment in both our Glasgow and Manchester locations.

This is a fluid document which will be constantly reviewed and in line with official government guidelines and will consider the advice of both the UK and Scottish Government. All updates will be recorded in this document and communicated to all employees.

This document will be published on the company website but will also be made available to view in both the Glasgow and Manchester office.

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Activity and the	Who might be	What are you already doing?	Current	Do you need to do anything else to control this	Risk	Action by	Completion
Hazards	harmed and how?		Risk	risk?	Rating	Who?	Date
Spread of	Employees	Hand washing facilities are in place		 Wash hands upon arrival to the office 		All	Ongoing
COVID-19	and families	throughout all communal areas					
	of employees	and each bathroom. Importance		 Wash hands regularly throughout the 		All	Ongoing
		of hand washing visually presented		days following appropriate guidelines			
		through appropriate signage		on washing with soap and water for 20			
Hygiene	Could become	throughout the offices		seconds and dry with provided paper			
	unwell with			towels / use of hand dryer			
	symptoms of	Sanitiser gel available throughout					
	COVID-19	office and every employee to keep		- Regularly using the hand sanitisers			
		personal bottle at their respective		provided in the communal areas and		All	Ongoing
		work station		the personal hand sanitiser made available to all employees			
		Appropriate Personal Protection					
		Equipment (PPE) in the form of		 Cover your mouth when sneezing with 			
		face masks and disposable gloves		a tissue or into your elbow, then wash		All	Ongoing
		have been ordered and will be		your hands immediately after			
		available to be distributed prior to					
		the opening of both offices		 Face masks and disposable gloves will be to all employees 		Management Team	Upon return to
		Deep clean of the offices has been					the office
		organised and will commence prior		- Employees to use their own cutlery and			
		to commencement of Phase 1		plates only; no shared cutlery or plates		All	
		return in both offices. Additional		will be available			
		cleaning will also take place to					
		ensure a clean environment					

Spread of	Employees	2m social distancing to be	- Social distancing to be observed by all All Ongoing
COVID-19	and families of employees	observed by all employees throughout the office space and	employees
Social Distancing	Could become unwell with symptoms of COVID-19	the adjacent outside spaces ie car park Signage promoting social distancing ordered and is visible throughout the offices	- Determined maximum capacity of office space in use and adhered to, which will increase through each phase and in line with government guidelines at that time
		Floor markings promoting social distance are now in place throughout the Manchester office.	- Floor markings to promote social distance to be actioned within Glasgow office TBC but prior to Phase 1 return
		No visitors are to be allowed to the office, with the exception of approved cleaning contractors	- Employees to work exclusively from a designated work station and not able to use the break out to work from
		No personal packages are to be delivered to the office	- Maximum of 2 employees in the kitchen areas at any one time All Ongoing
			- Lifts only in use for employees who require assistance and restricted at all times to one person All Ongoing
			- Break out areas reconfigured to ensure social distancing; with associated signage visible to promote this Management Team office opening
			- Smaller meeting rooms will not be in use. Larger meeting rooms will be reconfigured to ensure social Team

			face meetings would only take place if	Prior to office opening
			- Range of shift patterns to be available to reduce congestion at start / end of the working day Management Team O	Ongoing
			- Break times to be staggered to prevent congestion and ensure social distancing	Ongoing
			- Employees are empowered to politely challenge their colleagues to ensure social distancing and if appropriate, can escalate to line manager if there	Ongoing
			are concerns - External smoking areas to be restricted to a max of 4 people at any one time O	Ongoing
Spread of COVID-19 Facilities / Amenities	Employees and families of employees Could become	Any office facilities / amenities which are not 'in use' during this period have been identified and clearly marked as such within the Manchester office	- Ongoing review of the air conditioning facilities to ensure adherence to guidelines. Commitment to engage and discuss best practice options with	Ongoing Dut eviewed In line with guidance
	unwell with symptoms of COVID-19	The Glasgow office will be completed prior to the return of employees identified for Phase 1	- All vending machines will be temporarily out of use	Ongoing
		Air conditioning units in both Glasgow and Manchester offices have recently been serviced	AII O	Ongoing

			 Only food for that day has to be stored in the kitchen fridges and must be clearly marked with the employees' name No communal milk, juice, fruit etc will be available during this period 	
Spread of COVID-19 Health	Employees and families of employees Could become	Employees with symptoms have not to come to work and are follow appropriate official guidelines to self-isolate	- Temperature screening will be in place every day for employees upon their arrival to the office. Employees daily temperature will not be recorded or stored	yday
	unwell with symptoms of COVID-19		- Employees recording a high temperature of 38 degrees or above will not be able to work in the office and instead, return home and where appropriate seek medical advice	oing
			- Employees feeling unwell whilst in the office and demonstrating symptoms of COVID should report these immediately to their line manager and should return home and follow the medical guidelines available	oing
			- Qualified First Aiders will be visually presented throughout the office. There is a requirement to identify and train more Manchester based Management ASAP	o

			colleagues to become First Aiders. To mitigate this risk in the first instance, currently exploring online training options available		
Spread of COVID-19 Mental Wellbeing	Employees and families of employees	Employees made aware of external support available through our health partner, SimplyHealth	 Investment to be made in training identified members of the management team in 'wellbeing management' with online courses currently being sourced 	Management Team	ASAP
			 Consider how best to ensure wellbeing reintegration of employees into the office environment 	Management Team	Pre-return to the office