

COVID-19 Emmanuel Public Worship Risk Assessment								
Date:	12/01/2021							
Risk Assessment of:	Emmanuel Baptist Church							
Undertaken by:	Simon Smith and Mark Trudgill on 11/01/2021							
References:	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/COVID-19-guidance-for-the-safe-use-of-places-of-worship-during-the-pandemic-from-4-july/COVID-19-guidance-for-the-safe-use-of-places-of-worship-during-the-pandemic-from-4-july							
Assumption:	NB: This Risk Assessment makes the assumption that initially there will be no children's work and that all children will be in family groups with their parents.							
Approved by:	Emmanuel Trustees							
Updated:	12/01/2021							
Activity	Hazard	Risk	Persons at Risk Staff?, Visitors?, Users?, Contractors?, Community?	Risk Rating High, Medium or Low	Acceptable Risk?	Control Measures	Action to be taken	Date Actions Completed
USE OF EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH PREMISES FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP	Coronavirus entering the premises and potentially infecting users of the building	If COVID-19 is contracted, visitors or members of the staff team or church family could in some circumstances become seriously ill.	All visitors, staff, pastors, leaders, members, attendees, contractors, cleaners	Medium	Yes	Comply with government guidelines on self-isolation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Ask everyone symptomatic not to attend. •Communicate to all church family and visitors that they must stay at home and self-isolate if they have a new, continuous cough or a high temperature or loss of or change to sense of smell or taste. This is to minimise risk of spread of COVID-19 to friends, the wider community, and particularly the vulnerable. •Over 70s are strongly advised not to attend church services at the present time. 	August 2020
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TO BE REVIEWED by Simon Smith/Mark Trudgill	Trustees							