

## **Club reopening from 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

### **Risk assessment & operating plan for HWLTC Club Sessions classified as : “organised events”**

#### **Risks?**

The principal risks have been identified as maintaining social distancing while waiting to play and entering and leaving the court both of which tend to bunch people together. The rule of 12 per court will be interpreted more strictly by the club in that, whilst we normally only have 4 players per court for this type of session, we will restrict the number of player to player close contact to a maximum of 12 per session.

Track and trace record keeping has not been identified by LTA as mandatory but as this represents a risk mitigation tool in the unlikely event of an infection event. The club will encourage members to “sign in” on arrival.

#### **Operating measures to mitigate risk factors identified above.**

To meet the definition of an “organised event” each session will have an appointed volunteer(s) to oversee the safe operation of the operating plan. In the event that no volunteer or appropriate substitute can be found then the session will be cancelled and the time will revert to strict 2 or 4 players per court and no changes of players or court will be permitted.

In all cases waiting will be minimised and, if a court is available players will be encouraged to go on court in 2s or 3s until a 4<sup>th</sup> is available rather than waiting around outside clubhouse. When a member has finished for the session they should leave promptly and avoid any socialisation.

The club will ensure benches and chairs outside the club are suitably marked with yellow hazard tape to prevent people sitting too closely while waiting to play.

The main clubhouse lounge will be taped to discourage accidental entrance and players will be encouraged to maintain social distancing entering and leaving the lobby &/or the toilets.

Hand sanitiser will be made available along with surface wipes. The club will reinstate its enhanced cleaning programme.

Please ensure you allow other players sufficient space when entering or leaving the courts.

The “rule of 12” will be implemented as follows: Players may play up to 3 sets per session without regard to the rule as this would involve a maximum of 11 other individuals per person. To ensure the rule isn’t breached the 4<sup>th</sup> and any subsequent sets must only be with players that have already shared a court in any of the previous 3 sets. In the event there are insufficient players available then the playing group should be reduced to 2 or 3 or not play at all.