

Covid-19 guidance for beach hut users

- 1. Lyme Regis Town Council is acting in accordance with government legislation and guidance related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. In accordance with relevant legislation which comes into effect on Saturday 4 July 2020, the council's beach huts on Cart Road will re-open from this date.
- 2. For the safety of hut users and other members of the public, the council has implemented extra cleaning and safety measures and hut users are expected to adhere to the guidelines in place.
- 3. Groups of up to six people from multiple households can meet at a beach hut or outside a beach hut.
- 4. Hut users should maintain social distancing of at least 2 metres with anyone they do not live with, or 1 metre where 2 metres is not viable.
- 5. To ensure social distancing guidelines can be met, beach hut users must not sit or place tables, chairs and other equipment directly in front of the hut as this will obstruct people walking along the Cart Road. Users can either sit in the hut or on the shingle beach. Council staff will be monitoring and enforcing this requirement.
- 6. Please have consideration for passers-by and where possible, close the doors of the beach hut to leave as much space as possible to ensure the required social distance can be met.
- 7. The beach huts have not been in use since March 2020 so it is unlikely the virus is present on any internal surfaces. However, as a precaution, the council will be 'fogging' the huts, a highly effective method of decontamination, before 4 July, as well as cleaning the external doors and touch points with antibacterial spray.
- 8. All touch points will be cleaned regularly by the council, including door handles, locks, key safes and taps.
- 9. Hand gel and sanitiser spray will be provided in the beach hut kitchen and hirers are expected to clean touch points before and after use.
- 10. Hirers are expected to take extra hygiene precautions, including regular handwashing with soap and water or use of hand sanitiser, especially as you go indoors and after you have had contact with surfaces.

- 11. If anyone using the hut or members of their household are unwell with symptoms of COVID-19, they should not occupy the hut.
- 12. Although not required by law, hut users may wish to consider using a face covering to help reduce the spread of the disease.
- 13. Hut users are asked to carefully dispose of personal waste, particularly used tissues, face coverings and disposable cleaning cloths, to protect the bin collection crews and other members of the public from potentially contracting the virus.
- 14. Seasonal restrictions apply to dogs on the beach, which includes the shingle beach in front of the huts. Dogs are not allowed on Front Beach between 1 May and 30 September and must be kept on a lead at all times while on the Cart Road.