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Dear Hirers

We have been monitoring the Government guidance closely and have been reviewing how we can open our facilities to the public in a safe and measured way. We have focussed on the guidance for working safely during coronavirus, particularly the sections relating to [providers of grassroots sport and gym / leisure facilities](#). From the 03 August 2020 we will start to open our facilities more widely, which will include our school fields, sports halls, netball courts, 3G facilities, as well as the fitness suite and swimming pool at Alderman Peel High School.

We have to prioritise the safe return for pupils, therefore we will not be taking bookings for activities taking place in our school halls or classrooms. We will review this again towards the end of September, once the new school year has started. We have put together a risk assessment for all of our facilities using the Government guidance, which means there will be extra cleaning requirements, both for hirers and school/lettings staff. There are further measures in the risk assessment, which will be shared with hirers prior to any bookings being confirmed.

The fitness suite and swimming pool at Alderman Peel High School (Sport-A-Peel), will re-open, however we will be operating a booking system for the fitness suite. The capacity of the fitness suite and swimming pool has been reduced to follow social distancing guidelines, therefore you will need to book a session by emailing in advance. Further details of the booking system and measures put in place to make the facilities safe for re-opening will be shared on the Sport-A-Peel Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/sportapeel/>).

Our changing and toilet facilities will also remain closed for the time being; with the exception of the swimming pool at Alderman Peel High School. For all other activities, you are encouraged to arrive in your sportswear and leave immediately after your activity finishes. If you would like to discuss the viability of using our facilities for your particular activity, then please contact us by email on lettings@wensumtrust.org.uk. All activities will be assessed on a case by case basis; if we feel the activity can not go ahead safely then we will not accept the booking. Our school and lettings staff will monitor activities regularly to ensure they are taking place in a safe manner. We will cancel future bookings for groups if the staff feel measures set out in the risk assessment are not being adhered to.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to welcoming you back to our schools in the near future.

Yours sincerely

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