

Cheesewring Farm Holiday Cottages and Campsite

Covid-19 Risk Assessment (to be read in conjunction with Cottage Booking conditions Summer/Autumn 2020)

This Risk Assessment has been carried out following the guidelines on the HSE (Health and Safety Executive) web site www.hse.gov.uk

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Potential Hazards

- Contamination of the cottage environs by guests who are asymptomatic or who develop symptoms whilst in situ.
- Transmission of the virus between guests or site owners.

Who is at Risk?

- Other guests on site or with subsequent bookings, particularly the elderly or those with underlying health conditions.
- Cleaning and Maintenance staff.
- The wider public locally.

Actions to Control Risk

Site owners will not contact guests except at a distance or by telephone.

Anybody who is exhibiting symptoms or who has any reason to believe they may have come into contact with the virus up to 14 days prior to their booking must follow the Government instruction to self-isolate and follow NHS guidelines. **Therefore, they must advise site owners immediately and must not arrive on site.**

Anybody in one of the vulnerable groups identified by the Government should follow Government advice to self-isolate. **They should not arrive on site.**

We will ask guests to follow guidelines on social distancing. Cheesewring Farm has only four cottages. It is relatively easy for guests to avoid contact with each other.

Guests are advised that there may be severely restricted opportunities to eat out at this time and they should be prepared to fully self-cater.

Implement Changes to cleaning policy

We always strive to maintain extremely high standards of cleanliness. For the duration of the Covid-19 outbreak we have decided to adopt the cleaning practices recommended by Public Health England (PHE) for Cleaning in Non-Healthcare Settings <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-decontamination-in-non-healthcare-settings/covid-19-decontamination-in-non-healthcare-settings>

As guests may not exhibit symptoms until after they return home, we will treat every clean as if the guests had potentially been infected. Therefore, we will:

- Use disposable anti-bacterial cloths.
- Clean with diluted chlorine bleach/anti-viral spray.
- Pay particular attention to frequently touched surfaces such as door handles and handrails.
- Reduce the amount of soft furnishings provided to the absolute minimum (i.e, no cushions/ throws unless they can be washed before returning to the property).

To Protect our Cleaning Team we will:

- Delay cleaning until the property has been vacant for 72 hours if possible. Where this is not feasible, we will be using a “fogger” which diffuses anti-viral solution into the cottage.
- Work with rubber/disposable gloves and plastic aprons/protective suits.
- Limit the number of team members in any property to two at a time.
- Ask guests to strip their own beds and put used linen inside a pillowcase from the bed and leave this on the bed.
- Ask guests to empty all bins and place tied bags outside the cottage.

This policy will be reviewed at intervals until the Government advises that the Covid-19 threat has passed.