

## The Government of Sark

## **PANDEMIC EMERGENCY COMMITTEE**

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Following the advice issued by the States of Guernsey, the Pandemic Committee would like to advise all Sark residents of the following guidance.

When entering public buildings, including the Committee Offices, Shops, Restaurants and Public Houses, please wear a face covering and use hand sanitiser BEFORE you enter.

In these buildings, customers should wear a face covering wherever it is possible and reasonable to do so, and particularly where they will be in crowded spaces where social distancing is not possible or where ventilation is poor.

Staff employed in customer facing roles should wear face masks unless they have a medical reason why they are unable to do so.

This is to support the strong recommendation by the Civil Contingencies Authority (CCA) to help mitigate the spread of the virus.

Wherever possible, keep a mask with you. By implementing these precautions, we aim to reduce the risk of transmission among staff and customers and, importantly, work to encourage more use of face coverings elsewhere in the community.

For those working in noncustomer facing roles, face coverings should now be worn in work settings where social distancing is a challenge and ventilation is not possible. At the same time, and in line with the recommendation, staff will not be expected to wear face coverings at their desks where there is good ventilation and it is possible to physically distance.

Conseiller John Guille, Chairman of the PEC has said:

We need to be mindful that increasing cases of COVID-19 does mean more people across the community having to self-isolate for 10 days or more. Whilst an increase in the number of cases is not necessarily unexpected, we must monitor it carefully and work together to protect critical service provision across the Bailiwick. If we can avoid more cases, we put those services under less pressure."