**York Cycling Tours (YCT) Covid 19 Risk Assessment 23-09-2020**

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**Introduction**

The current risk of contracting Covid 19 in York is currently low, however the number of cases in York and throughout the country has recently shown signs of increasing, prompting the UK Government to introduce new measures to control the spread of the virus. The management of York Cycling Tours is committed to ensuring the safety of their customers by monitoring the UK Government assessment of risk and adapting or adding specific control measures to reduce that level of risk. This risk assessment and the control measures adopted to reduce the risk are in line with the latest government advice and best practice

The latest government guidance states that: “**Guided tours of up to 30 people may take place indoors or outdoors provided businesses undertake risk assessments in line with this guidance document and put any necessary mitigations in place.”**

As the activity being undertaken is an outdoor activity, where it is seen as being generally feasible to maintain a safe distance between persons at all times, YCT do not consider it necessary to provide customers with face masks. Customers are welcome to provide and wear their own masks should they wish.

**Risk Assessment**

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| **Hazard** | **Existing control measures** | **Likelihood** | **Severity** | **Risk** | **Additional Control Measures** |
| Risk of customer/guide contracting Covid 19 through taking part in or guiding a York Cycle Tour | Outdoor activity where risk of infection from other persons is reduced. | 1 | 4 | 4 | YCT Management to monitor UK Government alert level system and adapt control measures accordingly |
|  | Group sizes are limited to a maximum of 12 customers per guide |  |  |  | Guides to wear disposable gloves when preparing and handling bikes for customers. |
|  | Social distancing measures to be applied at all times. |  |  |  | Bikes and helmets to be cleaned with antibacterial wipes or spray prior to use. |
|  |  |  |  |  | Use of bikes to be rotated to ensure that exposure to potential contamination is minimised as much as possible. |
|  |  |  |  |  | Customers and guides to maintain a safe distance of two metres. Where this is not possible for any reason a minimum safe distance of 1 metre **must** be maintained. |
|  |  |  |  |  | Facemasks to be available in first aid kit and available for use should guide need to come within 1 metre of a customer in emergency. |
|  |  |  |  |  | Anti-bacterial hand gel to be available for guide and customer use before during and after the tour. |
|  |  |  |  |  | Guides to refuse access to tour of persons showing potential signs and symptoms of Covid 19 |
|  |  |  |  |  | Guides to stop with group only in places where it is spacious enough to maintain social distancing. |