

## USE OF KAC BUILDINGS UNDER COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

### NSW Government directions (summarised)

From Wednesday 1 July 2020, the NSW Government has permitted the following (via Public Health Order No 4):

#### Specific directions – applying to churches (termed places of public worship)

- a) A funeral or memorial service, or gathering immediately after a funeral service, has no more than 50 persons if the space available is less than 200 sq metres; and if more than 200 sq metres the max allowed is calculated by requiring an average space of 4 sq metres per person
- b) For other gatherings (incl worship, weddings, meetings etc) the maximum allowed is calculated by requiring an average space of 4 sq metres per person, excluding persons engaged in work on the premises.
- c) If the premises is not more than 200 sq metres of floor space, the entire premises is used as the space; if the premises is more than 200 sq metres, only include those areas open to the public
- d) There must be a COVID-19 safety plan (this is applicable to all businesses)
- e) A schedule of name and contact details of persons participating is to be maintained and made available to the NSW government if requested

### Diocese advice

The most recent Diocese advice includes:

- Recommend use of 4m<sup>2</sup> rule for all gatherings
- 1.5m distancing expected except for members of same household
- Good hygiene needed – hand washing/sanitizing and cleaning
- Communal areas disinfected/cleaned regularly
- If the church building is separate from other facilities (eg hall, offices) then the church premises is considered separately from other spaces for inclusion in the average 4 sq metre requirement
- It is possible to have an accompanying morning tea/supper / other meal if you hold a gathering on the church property. Food service must be done hygienically, maintaining social distancing and observing other guidelines. It might be helpful to mark the floor near distribution points with tape at 1.5m spacing.
- If you decide to conduct the Lord's Supper, do not use the common cup and institute appropriate hygiene measures, e.g., consider using tongs and pre-filled individual communion cups.
- Strong discouragement to have congregational singing. This is the recommendation of NSW Health. Possible to have solo, duet etc provided singers are at least 3m from other

people. Possible to have quiet singing in congregation where voice is not being projected and is less than a speaking voice.

- Should not have common use books (eg bibles, prayer books)
- Encouragement to get children and youth activities underway again

### KAC limitations

The following spaces in KAC guide numbers now and into the future:

	Area m <sup>2</sup>	Max people at 4m <sup>2</sup> spacing
Christ Church (incl balcony, entry foyer etc)	160	40
CPC auditorium	307	77
Board room	25	6
Youth shed	71	18
Minnamurra church (incl foyer and vestry)	72	18
Minnamurra hall (incl vestry, kitchen)	76	19
CPC foyer and open space	Varies depending on usage and distribution of people	20 at minimum

### Current KAC conditions applied

- Conditions for funerals, weddings and public worship services being applied
- High school youth group (Pulse) is in operation under conditions above. Senior Primary youth group (Rock) is to operate under conditions specified by Anglican Youthworks – mainly using conditions specified for schools, with leaders expected to keep 1.5 distance as far as possible.
- Room bookings for groups to be made through the office as usual, and office to make sure leader of group is provided with conditions of use. Max in the group depending on room used

- Office manager has authority to accept bookings, and if any concern about applicability of conditions to refer to Senior Minister or a warden for resolution
- Hand sanitizer provided on table near front door (Christ Church, CPC and St Paul's)
- Sign near front door of what is expected of participants of gatherings, incl advice that if they have any flu-like symptoms they should not enter
- Each group to be provided with a sign-in sheet for each gathering
- Group leader provided with advice of what is to be cleaned after the use, and where the cleaning materials are. Leader to sign on attendance sheet after meeting that all conditions have been met and that cleaning has been undertaken
- Attendance sheet to be returned to office for short-term filing.
- These procedures to be reviewed and updated before further relaxation of conditions.

### **COVID-19 Safety Plan**

A safety plan is on display in the foyer.

Senior Minister and Wardens  
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