

Isle 'ave a Shanty: Risk Assessment

This risk assessment follows Government guidelines as of 1st March 2020 and refers to singing and rehearsals outdoors / indoors from the performers perspective. This will be reviewed and shared as necessary and as measures are released.



COVID 19 Guidelines for Performing Arts (pub 11/7/20 Updated 22/2/21)	Action	Risk Level
Managing Performance		
Limiting singing in groups or in front of audiences to professionals only (i.e. for work purposes only).	Band charging a Fee therefore deemed Professional purposes	N/A
Observing extended social distancing between each singer, and between singers	Band well spaced apart and facing forwards, not facing each other. Social distance marked with guide tape (yellow / black) 1m+	Low
Limiting singing in groups to group sizes which are as small as possible in one discrete space, and only considering increasing this number if a comprehensive risk assessment has been conducted which includes but is not limited to:	Band consists of 6 members	Low
– the size of the space	Outdoor	
– the ventilation levels within the space	Outdoor in large garden area – ventilation level high	Low
– the positioning of singers within the space	Singers positioned as above	
	Indoor (inc rehearsal)	Low
	If playing indoors, limiting the numbers to account for ventilation of the space and the ability to social distance. Limited to 6 members of band only.	
Operating outdoors wherever possible.	Outdoor performance only at present	Low
	Indoor rehearsals	Low
Within the fixed team, positioning side-to-side or back-to-back and avoiding singing face-to-face wherever possible.	See above	Low
Regularly cleaning desks, for example, sound, lighting, mics and battery packs.	All equipment cleaned before and after performance	Low
	Band will arrive and set up in garden with no contact between staff or residents.	Low
	Set up team will consist of no more than 2 and will remain apart at all times.	
	On completion of the gig, 2 members of band will set down and leave the premises as quickly as possible	
Managing Rehearsals		
Tier Restrictions	East Cambs currently Tier 2	
When considering undertaking singing rehearsals, the following guidance and mitigations should be followed:	Number limits do not apply where a legal exemption is relevant, for example for work purposes, the provision of voluntary or charitable services, or for supervised activities for under-18s. Social distancing should be maintained between people who do not live together or are not in a support bubble with each other.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limit the number of performers as far as possible. (6 max) 	Low Med

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singing will only in a well ventilated COVID-19 Secure venue or public outdoor space, Rehearsal will be planned activity in line with the regulations, and must be in line with the rest of the performing arts guidance. Unless a legal exemption exists (e.g. gatherings are for work) then any sub-group or household group in tiers 2 must not “mingle” with any other such group. In practice, this means social distancing should be maintained between each of these groups at all times including when entering or leaving the building and during any breaks. Direction can continue to take place during the activity i.e. between a conductor and a group or reflection between actors and directors, but other physical and social interaction is prohibited. Individuals should be positioned in a way that avoids face-to-face singing or other performance as far as possible. Consider wearing face coverings where singing or taking part in other performing arts activity where this is feasible, particularly in a non-professional environment. Limit the duration of activity as far as possible, including considering the need for breaks, intervals etc. Activity should take place outside where possible. Where inside, good ventilation plays a crucial role in reducing transmission. Steps should be taken to improve ventilation indoors as far as possible and whenever possible, both through the use of mechanical systems and opening windows and doors. Social distancing should be maintained. In particular, non-professionals should not engage in activities that may lead to social distancing being compromised. 	<p>Med</p> <p>Med</p> <p>Low</p> <p>Low</p> <p>Low</p> <p>Low</p> <p>Low</p>
Managing audiences		
<i>To maintain social distancing wherever possible in performing arts environments.</i>	<p>Audience remain inside the building at all times with band outside.</p> <p>Band to socially distance as above</p>	Medium
	<p>Management of audience bubble is the responsibility of the venue.</p> <p>In a care facility, If residents come outside, a minimum of 3m social distance between the performer and the audience is required (This will be marked by tape) Social distancing measures must be adhered to by all.</p>	Medium
Manage capacity and overcrowding (Inc Rehearsals)		
<i>Maximum capacity should consider appropriate social distancing given the nature of activities and equipment layout, configuration of space.</i>	Band consists of 6 members socially distantly spaced around the rehearsal space and facing away from each other. Minimal equipment used (sheet music and music stand only)	Low
<i>Particular attention should be given to ventilation and sufficient circulation space especially around equipment</i>	Group self taught, no extra body in rehearsal. Sufficient circulation covered by room size with open windows if needed	Low

<i>and between groups and any classes and coaches or teachers</i>		
<i>Vaccination / Testing / Face Covering</i>	<p>5 members of band are over 50 and vaccinations are imminent. 2 members over 40 and are next on the list.</p> <p>Some members of the band regularly tested. All members of the band will adhere to lateral flow tests if required.</p> <p>Members of band will wear masks indoors at the request f the venue</p>	
<u>Social Media</u>	Photo / Video may be shared on social media. Venue has been asked to avoid posting images of poor social distancing or otherwise	N/A
<u>Public Liability Insurance</u>	Full public liability insurance is in place up to £1M value	N/A