

25-6-20.

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Schools - clarity needed
Responsibility - we're in this together
Message from the start -

DOJ

We have not heard start of meeting - Zoom link
No sound until now.

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Recap

- Cleared minutes of previous meeting
- COVID 19 update
 - R Rate
 - Nursing homes.

- Paper - confirms what we have already announced.

DOJ

3 items covered - we didn't hear ridiculous.

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Recapped

Meetings in person from now on.

DOJ

3 hrs waiting for people to get act together.

Some shielding - dial in
* Excluded from meeting.

dFM	Not excluded Technical point fault - will fix ,
FM	Not excluded - pejorative phrase. Technical fault - apologetic .
dFM	Issue with minutes?
DOJ	No
dFM	Issue - timeline
DOJ	No.
dFM	COVID update
DOJ	Didn't hear
DOH	Repeat update - R Rate - Care homes [publication]
dFM	Factual Qs?
DOJ	Care homes / dementia - impact on deterioration. Arrange ^m - external visits / social distance Too risky?

DOH Some care homes - drive-past visits,
Some [] more challenging
Some money - support package for
care homes.
[Bus shelters]

FM No buses!

APM Indicative Time Frame
- K Pearson spoke
- when to lift different restrictions,
OR Press Conf today - all in this
together, continue partnership.
Caveat - everything depends on
views, will roll back if necessary.

[DPE] Museums
Carrickfergus - exhibition spaces.

[AS] Outdoor spaces - Aug - short
window of opportunity.

FM Museum asked
Need to clarify - they don't want to
open

APM Indicative - cd open sooner.

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DFI Driving test
- state^m on Mon - drivers fall

to DFE.

DFI - Driving Tests

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Karen to clarify ownership.

DFI

We didn't suspend driving instruction
- can't resume.

Cumulative impact of easements,
Economic benefit
When ~~then~~ will we get paper on
risk/benefits.

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Hotels etc - today
Risk assess^m for each issue
when requested.

DFI

Cumulative piece - all issues
together.

CSA

Each ease^m - paragraph in paper
gives CMO/CSA view on cumulative
impact:

Confident capacity of Test/Trace
service will be sufficient to
show impact on virus.

DAERA

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Indicative - we will be up front
at Press conf.

DFE DFE didn't tell anyone not to do anything, Regulations did.

Arcades, small gaming shops - where do they lie? Betting shops.

APM Betting shops - can't sit / stay

~~DFE~~ Never in a gaming shop in my life

APM Gaming - people spend time.
Betting - people don't spend time.
Barry's

DFE Indicative dates - people looking for direction / guidance.

2m / 1m social distancing.

Why view - hospitality industry, many can't open with 2m rule

Exec shd consider 1m - wd bring us in line - mitigations, medical advice.

Conversation with CMO/CSA - community transn. v low.

RDI moving to 1m, England also - appropriate mitigations.

Exec shd consider, take a view - can step back.

APM Incl in paper from Ful + me.
Science isn't going to change -

2m safer, but col be mitigations.
Strongly re-comm 2m where poss, but
with mitigation 1m wd work OK.

JMK Pre-emptive deficiency
Safeguards
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Risk of
Wider society - across a whole range
of issues.

KP - Jan + Michael - meeting
yesterday.

Meeting - all stakeholders -

Places of worship

Significant responsibility on them
- bringing together congregations
for mass services.

Church halls - ensure we []
make use of their premises for
(childcare).

Weddings, funerals

Contradiction - up to 500 at indoor
service; properly spaced.

30 people at funeral outdoors,
but 200/300 indoors at service,
need to square nos.

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10 players - outdoor training, will
need panel of 30 for rugby -
only half a squad - need to

clarify nos. for Mon.
Indoor/outdoor
Wider arrange^{ment}

KP Nos — []

DAERA Outdoors — emphasize —
Outdoor concert
Training
Raised at []

KP []

DAERA Identify good hygiene

AFM Need to resolve — presenting
solution to economic issues, but
not families
Glad to set out for Monday.

DOJ 1m/2m
~~1m/2m~~ 1m where 2m not possible
with mitigations — considering or
agreeing?

AFM Mindful to announce today.
But will meet with hospitality
industry — if impacts on R,
will reverse + shut down.

DOJ Won't just apply to hospitality —

w/ apply to courts.
What are mitigations? Is a bit
vague.

What mitigations suggested to make
1m compromise workable?

eg bus - short time
court - longer time.

What mitigations will be required?

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Indicative relaxations table -

P2 - covers issues DOS raised,
Going to meet with tourism for their
ideas on mitigation - they have
their own proposals.

Need mitigations for Press Conf - we
will set out at Press Conf.

dfm

face coverings, sanitisation etc.

DOS

We have been recommending that
at 2m - what additional mit.
for 1m?

visits etc - 2m is standard.

Additional mitigations @ 1m -

Bois Johnston couldn't answer,
not convinced it is in line with
advice up to now.

DE

Have to go

mitigation - different circumstances
- schools - bubble - don't raise

expectation of something not required.
Send message re mitigation —

dfm Need to be upfront — science doesn't change — 2m is better, 1m more risk.

CSA Science suggests — risk @ 1m 10/30 times — transmission.
Wide range of potential mit — guidance from England = 30/40 items.
Not news — eg more use of face coverings.
Mit — appropriate to settings — will reduce risk.
People shd be encouraged to stay as far apart as poss.

DPI Recognize economic need — but pace of change is v fast — stampede.
Transport — can't keep 2m distance + sustain transport.
Concern — pace of change / relaxation, shd be cautious.

dfm Feel same — but need to work our way through — won't all happen on Mon — planning time.
Transmission low
Contact tracing vital — deal with clusters.
CWO/CSA — level of transmission

is lowest it can be.

DOH

1m / 2m

Need conversation with [] - 1/2 m
Germany, Greece, Italy.

FM

Messaging CMO / CSA - 1m +
WHO - 1m +

DOH

Makes sense.

DPE

Need to make sure people understand
- virus is still here, need to
mitigate.

Spoke with CMO / CSA - some room
for manoeuvre.

Make people understand - if doesn't
work, will have to step back.
Community transmiss rate low -
take opportunity.

Or else economic + societal
impact.

JMK

As low as it's going to get - but
virus still there.

Economic, social

We're not on top of virus.

Need to use test/contact/trace.

2m / 1m

Stakeholders, industry

Some restaurants - all do 1/2 m

Have conversation - 2m / 1m.

Faith groups, churches

Mass, service

Unless engage with sectors, they won't adapt.

Stakeholder engagement, detail.

Work with them.

DFI

Saying mitigations will be required - companies will want financial support from Exec.

People going back to work.

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Banks / City Council giving out [] in relation to 2m / mitigations.

DOJ

Concerned - feels like we are abandoning concept of restrictions.

2m - people already reducing.

S/mkts - people not observing 2m.

People walking, interacting - already veering to 1m.

If reduce to 1m, people will get closer.

1m - people will be side by side.

Air conditioning / ventilation.

Some spikes - environmentally design cooler units - high risk.

Guidance for hotels, bars etc

Cumulative impact.

Will end up with people not social distancing.

CSA

Ventilation will reduce impact of vRMS.

Air conditioning - guidance issued already (REIS), we will issue for NI.

dfm

Will speak positively at Press Conf.

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Orgs. will need to plan.

CMD/CSA = policy decision. Science won't change.

BPMK

Agree with change.

Messaging important.

DOH

Other countries

Expect [].

Fm

We will have to talk re outbreaks to prepare people.

Hospitality - if they bring outbreak they will be responsible.

DOY

We will be responsible.

Fm

Whole message will be - responsibility of sectors.

DOJ

If ~~we~~ there's an outbreak, we will get blame.

People want to make profit.

Need to be realistic

Mitigation - no additional mitigations, we already advise.

Risk is now going to go up 10-30 times.

If we say to people - go to LM, we can't say they are irresponsible if there's an outbreak.

Need to think for longer.

Close contact is problem - is why we took so long to agree family approach.

Have reservations - supportive, but not taking stock of impact.

dfm

All comes with risk.

Have spent time with CMO/CSA - positive message today

put onus on hospitality, churches.

Crystal clear - preparing for clusters, may have to reverse.

DOJ

You have spoken to CMO/CSA - my view shd be considered by Exec.

dfm

Wd like joined-up Exec approach. Will help people to plan for

opening.
Know risks.

DFI

Saying - risks increasing, outbreak imminent

So why moving now to 1m

Because business wants it.

We know risks - but moving on soc. distancing today.

Don't understand impact.

dfm

Can't assess now for mid-July.
We can stand still - but wd have crashed economy.

DFI

Why moving so fast? Not enough info to make decision.

DOF

Significance of this decision -

message Stay Home, Stay Safe.

Tampering with soc distancing.

Risk whatever we do.

Risk of transmission - 30 times
2m - 1m.

if risk v small @ 2m

Increase risk of transm @ 1m.

Take stock

We need to get more people through system.

Seems that decision is made

* want to record concern re speed

of decision.

dfm CSA says - impact will be flagged & addressed.

JMK If consider issue in isolation, wd rather move.

Agreed, we wd consider in context of range of issues - economic, health service capacity.

Pillars agreed for Exec Balance of judgement.

dfm All have concerns, know risks, Modern today - will engage with stakeholders

Agree. Reason? Yes

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DFI

DOJ

Record concern.

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Face coverings

DFI

Cross-dept working grp.

Mandatory in England & Wales.

Joined up approach - ease in.

Compulsory use of face coverings on public transport.

Protocol

Provision of free face coverings at

train + bus stations.

Agree in principle.

EOI approach - cross-border issue.

Planes/boats - compulsory.

Read-across - private operators, taxis.

Scotland - from 10% to 80% use.

Some exceptions - children, disabilities.

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Legal basis for enforce^{ment}

DPI

Use Regs - penalty notices.

Same as anti-social practices.

Poss spot-checks.

Working with PSNI + unions.

Helpful step forward.

Business community positive.

FM

Using COVID Regs - hammer to crack nut

DPI

Byelaws

but Regs better

FM

Want to see legal / penalty info before agree in principle.

DPI

Conversation re 1 m.

FM Concern - legal way of handling legislation.

DPI Current advice of Exec - not working
10% of passengers use face coverings.
Enforce^m difficulties - will address.

FM Implemented in England + Scotland through COVID reqs.

DFT Will check.

dFM Get clarification on that + come back on Mon.

CMD [? I

Ad Hoc

dFM Sp note.

Other Exec matters

dFM None

AOR

dFM None,

Dott/dpm Meet in PR from now on?

Shd do.

Meeting next Mon.