

with pedestrians and that people could be walking in the road or crossing in different places.

- You may be asked to reduce your speed to make it safe for an increased number of pedestrians in the road.
- You will need to be aware that there may be more cyclists and pedestrians in the area and everyone needs to maintain a safe distance.

If I am walking in the town centre what changes could I expect to see?

Some businesses will be operating queue systems outside their shops where it is possible to do so without causing congestion on the footpaths. To allow more space for pedestrians and to maintain social distancing we are looking at measures to divert or slow down vehicles in some town centres and pedestrians and drivers may need to safely use the same road space.

You should be aware of the following:

- Road layouts may change so please be extra vigilant if traffic is moving differently to normal.
- You may need to enter the highway at some points to maintain social distancing. To facilitate this, we are trying to slow the speed of vehicles in some town centres. However, you will need to follow the usual good practice when crossing a road to stay safe.
- There will be additional information and signs in our town centres which you should read and take note of. These signs may ask you to change how you move around the town centre and will be found on lampposts and stencilled on the footway. Please ensure you follow these where possible.

- Be aware of your surroundings at all times and take extra care.
- Please respect other people as there may be some who may not understand or be able to follow these changes.
- Social distances should be maintained at all times.

Public spaces and seating

- If sitting in public spaces please remember to maintain the recommended social distance and be respectful of those already sitting around you.
- Please do not remove barriers or go into taped off areas as these have been put in place to help keep you safe.

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Town centre re-openings



High streets re-opening 15 June

The government has announced that more shops will be allowed to open in our towns from 15 June 2020.

South Lakeland District Council is working with its partners, including Cumbria County Council, town and parish councils, Kendal and Ulverston Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) and the Lake District National Park to make it easier for people visiting our towns to maintain social distancing and stay safe.

Which shops can reopen?

Not all businesses can reopen on the 15 June and some businesses may take the decision to voluntarily remain closed beyond this date, so it will be important to

check before travelling that the business whose services you want will be open. Some businesses are also operating reduced hours.

Please be aware that that some businesses, including hairdressers and barbers, restaurants and pubs, will not be reopening on 15 June. Pubs and restaurants may be offering takeaway or 'click and collect' services until such time as they are able to reopen. Please check with the individual business.

Will the car parks be open?

Many car parks have remained open and all South Lakeland District Council car parks will be open before the 15 June 2020. Normal car parking charges will apply.



Will public toilets be open?

Most public toilets will be open, and where there is a change to the provision of the usual toilet facilities in a town signs will direct you to the nearest location.

In some towns, there may be less toilet provision than normal and it may be necessary to queue.

What changes should I expect to see when going into a shop?

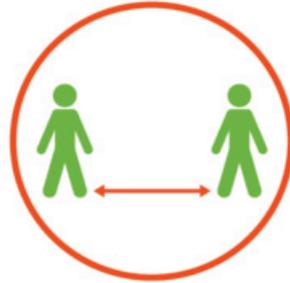
Before a business is allowed to open the Government has said they must complete a COVID-19 risk assessment to make sure their premises are safe for both the staff that work there and the visiting public.

These risk assessments mean that some businesses may make changes to their layout and reduce the number of people that can safely enter their premises at any one time.

Because of this, please be aware when you visit the town centre that it may take longer than normal to complete your shopping and you may need to consider this when arranging transport to and from the town.

- You may need to queue to get into some shops and shops may ask you not join a queue if there are already too many people waiting to enter. This is to prevent the footways from getting congested and ensure social distancing is maintained.
- You may need to move around the shops in a one way system. Shops should clearly mark how they want you to move around their store.
- You may be asked by some shops not to touch items unless you intend to buy that specific item. This is to prevent the spread of the virus on the stock.

SHOP SAFELY AND STOP THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS IN YOUR COMMUNITY



PLEASE FOLLOW SOCIAL DISTANCING RULES AND STAY APART AS FAR AS POSSIBLE



WASH YOUR HANDS REGULARLY OR USE HAND SANITISER



WEAR A FACE COVERING IN ENCLOSED PUBLIC SPACES WHERE SOCIAL DISTANCING ISN'T POSSIBLE



KEEP CONTACT TO A MINIMUM AND, IF AVAILABLE, TRY TO USE CONTACTLESS PAYMENTS

- You may be encouraged to pay by card or use contactless payment methods.
- You are unlikely to be able to try on clothing in any store.
- Stores may offer different refund and exchange policies to normal.

Please respect other people as some may have difficulty understanding or following the changes.

- **The social distancing rule applies in ALL shops and public spaces**

If I drive into town what changes could I expect to see?

Where possible, and appropriate, the Government is encouraging you to walk or cycle into town. This is to reduce the number of vehicles in our town centres allowing us to maximise the space available for pedestrians

and make it easier for people to maintain social distancing.

If you do have to drive into the town centres you should be aware of the following changes:

- There may be temporary changes to the road layout so be extra vigilant.
- You may see additional signage advising you that you are entering a shared space

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