

# Spring 2022

## Foróige Volunteer led Clubs

### Information for Parents

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# Parent / Guardian Information COVID-19 Safety Measures in Foróige

Dear Parent,

We are delighted that Foróige Clubs can reopen almost as normal, and once again engage young people in enjoyable and developmental activities, where they can meet old friends and make new ones. This document lets you know what Foróige is doing to keep young people and adults safe from COVID-19 in our clubs. Even though most legal restrictions have been lifted, the virus is still with us.

In giving your child permission to join the club you accept the following:

## Your child getting to and from Foróige

- Leaders are not responsible for young people before the club starts and after it ends.
- Parents should not ask leaders to collect or drop young people.

## What to do if your son/daughter is COVID-19 positive:

- If your son/daughter who is a member of the club should test positive for COVID-19 please follow HSE guidance. No one from the household should attend Foróige until the period of self-isolation ends.

## Clubs are advised to implement the following COVID-19 safety measures:

- We will still require clubs to record attendance at every club meeting.
- No one should attend the club in person if they have symptoms associated with COVID-19 such as a new cough, sore throat, loss of sense for taste or smell, or a fever.
- We will ask everyone to continue to use hand sanitiser or hand washing on arrival and when leaving.
- Everyone who needs to cough or sneeze should do so into tissues and dispose of them carefully in a bin.
- Face coverings are required in youth work settings until at least the end of February.
- Clubs will use as much ventilation as they can.
- Clubs may involve young people in wiping down highly used surfaces- tables, handrails, door handles etc. before and after the club meets.
- We do not ask leaders or members for evidence of vaccination status
- Clubs may display posters listing COVID-19 symptoms and reminding people to wash their hands.
- The club will have a first aid kit should including facemasks and aprons.

## **Vaccines and Testing**

- Foróige encourages everyone involved with the organisation to follow public health advice as regards COVID-19 vaccines. Foróige as an organisation does not ask for individuals' vaccination status.
- Foróige leaders may not implement COVID-19 tests, nor ask parents to use them.

## **The Future**

- No one knows what the future holds with COVID-19. Foróige will continue to follow public health guidance as the situation develops.