



Notes about swimming in a time of coronavirus

We want to open the pool to the public now the refurbishments are in place and it is looking very inviting!

But because of coronavirus people will want to feel safe when they come to the pool. We are therefore only opening to either **household groups** or other **organised groups up to a maximum of 10 people** — who will socially distance according to government guidelines.

Here is the thinking behind our deciding to open this way

- We thought it was essential that people felt safe when they come for a swim — so we are working through a pre-booking system. This means there is an adult group organiser/booker who knows exactly who will attend. They will also attend themselves to be confident that the situation is safe.
- We recognise that this is a system that excludes people who would normally turn up and pay at the gate, and we regret this restriction, but feel it is better to get the pool up and running as soon as we can
- The price is £30 for an hour's session (40 mins in the water and 20 mins change-over). This is as low as we can make it and cover our costs. (normally we would charge £60 for this).
- Our next step, if we can do it, is to re-introduce Lane Swimming — as a pre-booked pre-paid individual first-come-first served arrangement.
- Eventually, we hope to reinstate public swimming and use of the changing rooms. This will depend on:
 - the easing of government restrictions
 - our perception of public confidence
 - being able to put in hand simple measures to protect our staff and the public
- We will refund anyone who has paid but wishes to cancel due to suspected coronavirus.
- We are operating in accordance with coronavirus guidance provided by Swim England

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