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COVID-19: Update from the Pubs Code Adjudicator

Update from the Adjudicator and Deputy Adjudicator in relation to the current COVID-19 outbreak.

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In light of the current coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, the Office of the Pubs Code Adjudicator (OPCA), has taken steps to ensure that our staff remain safe and well. As part of this, many (and at times all) of our staff will be working remotely. We do not envisage that this will cause any significant disruption to our core services and will continue to operate as normal. However access to hard copy post may be delayed and those contacting the PCA are strongly advised to use our email and telephone contacts for the Office in the first instance and not rely solely on hard copy correspondence to this Office.

We will continue to monitor the situation and follow the advice and guidance issued by Public Health England and the Department of Health and Social Care.

We have been clear with all pub-owning businesses (POBs) that we expect them to be giving active consideration as to how they can ensure that individual tied pub tenants do not lose out on their Pubs Code rights as a result of COVID-19. You can find out what we have said to the POBs here

(https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-pca-letter-to-the-british-beer-and-pub-association)

We will update this page to keep you informed of any changes.

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- NHS nurses, we thank you for your service as we get through coronavirus together (https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/nhs-nurses-we-thank-you-for-your-service-as-we-get-through-coronavirus-together)
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