THE EVENTS RESEARCH PROGRAMME DIRECTION – GROSVENOR PARK OPEN AIR THEATRE

THE HEALTH PROTECTION (CORONAVIRUS, RESTRICTIONS) (STEPS) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2021

The Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport and the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, in exercise of the powers conferred by regulation 9 of the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Steps) (England) Regulations 2021 (the 'Regulations')¹, make the following Direction for the purposes of a research programme concerned with the appropriate public health response to the incidence and spread of coronavirus in England.

Before making this Direction, the Secretaries of State have consulted with Professor Jonathan Van-Tam of the Department of Health and Social Care and had regard to any advice given by that person.

- 1. This Direction applies to
 - a. the land comprising of the part of Grosvenor Park, Grosvenor Park Road, Chester, CH1 1QQ ("the Event Area") whose exterior boundary is bounded by a red line ("Event Area") on the map at Annex A; and
 - b. the Grosvenor Park Open Air Theatre ("the Open Air Theatre").
- 2. This Direction disapplies the following restrictions and requirements in relation to the Event Area while the Open Air Theatre is taking place there, on 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th July between 18:30 23:00
 - a. In relation to the Regulations
 - i. paragraph 1 of Part 1, Schedule 3 (participation in gatherings);
 - ii. paragraph 2 of Part 1, Schedule 3 (organisation or facilitation of gatherings); and
 - iii. paragraph 7 of Part 2, Schedule 3 (restrictions on service of food and drink for consumption on the premises).
 - b. In relation to the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (Obligations of Undertakings) (England) Regulations 2020²
 - i. regulation 1A(2) (restrictions in relation to relevant premises);
 - ii. regulation 2(1) (restrictions on hospitality undertakings); and
 - iii. regulation 2A(1) (requirements relating to signage and information);

¹ S.I. 2021/364, as amended by S.I. 2021/455, 585 and 705.

² S.I. 2020/1008, as amended by S.I. 2020/1046, 1057, 1103, 1104, 1105, 1154, 1200, 1374 and 1611 and S.I. 2021/364 and 585.

Re	relation to the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Wearing of Face Coverings in a elevant Place) (England) Regulations 2020 ³ , regulation 3(1) (requirement to ear a face covering whilst entering or remaining within a relevant place);
Signed by or	on behalf of the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport
Date of signa	ture
Signed by or	on behalf of the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care
Date of signa	ture

 $^{^3}$ S.I. 2020/791 as amended by S.I. 2020/839, 882, 906, 1021, 1026, 1028 and S.I.2021/247.

ANNEX A



A copy of this map, signed by a member of the Senior Civil Service in the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, is available for inspection at:

- a. 100 Parliament Street, Westminster, London SW1A 2BQ; and
- b. Storyhouse, Hunter Street, Chester, CH1 2AR.