

### **Message from Graham**

Dear brothers and sisters,

You may have heard that a major incident has been declared by officials in North Yorkshire following a surge in coronavirus cases in the past fortnight.

There is nothing in the information provided to suggest that we should not continue with our services. However, I urge you all to be extra cautious. If you are showing any of the following symptoms: a high temperature, a new continuous cough, loss or change to your sense of smell or taste, please stay at home.

I also draw your attention to the information below relating to those 'over 70 years of age' as issued as guidance from HM government.

Prayerfully yours,

Graham

### **Government advice updated 14<sup>th</sup> September for Individuals aged 70 years and over attending the place of worship**

We need to draw your attention to the following government guidance about attending worship which has been update on 14<sup>th</sup> September. The relevant advice is copied below with a link as to where it has appeared.

- Certain groups of people may be at increased risk of severe disease from COVID-19, including people who are aged 70 or older, regardless of medical conditions.
- Individuals who fall within this group are advised to stay at home as much as possible and, if they do go out, to take particular care to minimise contact with others outside of their household.
- You should consider informing these groups in particular of the symptoms of COVID-19 and [current stay alert and social distancing guidance](#).

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-for-the-safe-use-of-places-of-worship-during-the-pandemic-from-4-july/covid-19-guidance-for-the-safe-use-of-places-of-worship-during-the-pandemic-from-4-july#section5> Updated 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020