## **COVID-19 Notice**

Friday 27 March 2020



## Reducing the risk associate with using water fountains

You will be aware that we are at present trying to minimise any risk of transmission of COVID-19 where staff are together.

We would like to raise your awareness of one area that we have observed that may serve as a potential source of environmental transmission, namely water fountains.

We would respectfully ask that a fresh disposable cup would be used to obtain water every time it is required from a water fountain. This is particularly important as often drinking bottles are filled from fountains and these come into direct contact with the mouth. This filling has the potential to contaminate the fountain and in a circular fashion a contaminated fountain would have the potential to contaminate a water bottle. An additional safe guard would be that before and after you would use a water fountain that you would undertake hand hygiene.

Thank-you for all of your efforts in relation to ensuring that the workplace is as safe as possible for us all.