

LNCT Agreement on Virtual Meetings

Colleagues,

All of the national data is showing that the greatest risk in schools continues to come from adult to adult transmission of the virus. In order to keep staff and their families protected from Covid-19 the joint secretaries share the view that all staff meetings should continue to be held remotely irrespective of which Level of Protection the Local Authority is placed.

The wellbeing of our staff is of paramount importance and we thank you for your continued vigilance in these extremely challenging times.

We do appreciate that there are exceptional circumstances that may require staff to strictly observe social distancing rules whilst in the same space. Such instances would include:

- Where a member of staff is acting as mentor/supporter on limited occasions when moderation or mentoring cannot be undertaken remotely.
- Where the welfare/wellbeing of staff would be improved through a physical albeit socially distancing meeting with an individual to support their wellbeing
- When critical professional learning is required to support the inclusion of children and young people such as demonstration of a particular technique of piece of equipment

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