



Coronavirus / COVID-19 Precautions

The Produce Investments Group takes the health and safety of all employees and other key stakeholders seriously. Since lockdown commenced on 23rd March the company has issued regular updates and guidance to all stakeholders regarding what actions are required to reduce, and where possible mitigate, the risk of COVID19 infection of employees, customers and suppliers.

A large part of the Produce Investments Group falls directly into the essential business category due to the nature of what we do; Greenvale AP and Jersey Royal – supplying freshly packed potatoes across a wide range of retail outlets. We are in regular communication with our customer base across all sectors and are updating our employees continuously with dynamic policy revisions in light of emerging medical or governmental information.

Some examples of actions taken to date;

- ⇒ The Pandemic Continuity Plan has been triggered across the core potato business.
- ⇒ Where practical, employees have been instructed to work from home. These employees remain fully functional and contactable.
- ⇒ Colleagues defined by Government as ‘vulnerable’ have been actively encouraged to work from home.
- ⇒ A ban on travel and direct contact meetings is now in-place with remote meetings facilitated via Microsoft Teams 365, conference call or similar.
- ⇒ All visitors to site have been stopped; and where a visit is absolutely necessary pre-vetting is being undertaken.
- ⇒ Robust hygiene practices are in place across all production sites; staff have access to good hygiene facilities as well as sanitising gel and disposable tissues.
- ⇒ Non-production offices are closed until further notice.
- ⇒ Absence reporting and monitoring procedures have been relaxed as we focus on supporting employees during difficult times.

The products we supply are needed in these challenging times; they help provide much of the population with a good quality healthy eating option in a time of need. Demand remains high and we need to continue to service our many customers and consumers accordingly, whilst ensuring our employees remain healthy and safe.

We will continue to monitor the situation and will take all necessary actions to resist the impact of the virus on our business.

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