

# COVID-19 IMPORTANT NOTICE



Following the Government's recent announcement and upon advice from the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA), outside tennis courts can be open subject to certain conditions as outlined below (these are subject to change at short/no notice)

## **Elsenham Tennis Courts are open for use by members only**

### **All players are expected to observe the conditions below at all times and in using the courts, agree to comply with these**

*ETC reserve the right to withdraw the membership of anyone not complying, which also could result in closure of the courts*

- Persons that are self-isolating/have any of the symptoms of Covid-19 as outlined by the Department of Health **MUST NOT** use the courts
- Closure of and no access to the hut and surrounding compound (floodlights will not be available for use, play should finish before dusk); a new lock to prevent access is on the compound gate
- Suspension of Club night on Tuesday evenings until further notice (courts are available for booking by members)
- Doubles play is permitted although there should be no more than 6 players from different households on the courts at any one time wherever possible
- Courts **MUST** be booked in advance online (via ClubSpark). The member booking the court **MUST** include the names of all players in the Advanced Option of the booking on ClubSpark (where players are non-members, the booking member **MUST** collect the respective court fees from all players and hold these until otherwise requested by ETC Committee)
- A buffer period of a minimum of 15 minutes between court booking slots to allow time for players to leave before next players arrive (please allow for this when booking courts which are bookable at 30 min intervals)



- Activity should only take place where travel to and from the courts is in line with government advice
- Spectators are not permitted
- The net should NOT be adjusted and will be maintained at play height – the net winders will be removed to avoid use
- There should be no form of physical contact, e.g., shaking of hands, etc.
- NO sharing of racquets or other equipment; players should bring their own racquets and clearly marked balls (wherever possible) and avoid touching those belonging to other players wherever possible
- Activity should be in line with the Government’s advised social distancing measures at all times, including when arriving to and departing from a court
- It is expected that all players will use hand sanitiser upon conclusion of play and before shutting up the courts
- Players MUST disinfect/sanitise the lock, key(s) and gate before and after use with their own sanitiser and disposable gloves (none are available at the courts)
- No extra-curricular or social activity should take place
- No refreshments are allowed on the courts with the exception of players own water bottles which should be kept inside their bag
- Any professional coaching must be done in line with the above and the LTA guidance for tennis coaches; players should ask what these are at the start of any coaching sessions and observe them at all times

**Please observe these conditions at all times**  
**Thank you for your co-operation**

*Elsenham Tennis Club Committee*

To help reduce the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) please see public health advice -  
<https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/news/covid-19coronavirus>