

## Work life – but not as we know it...

As we start to look forward to the 'next normal', the government has provided a list of guidelines to help companies make sure their workplaces are safe for employees to return to. They're calling this being 'COVID-secure'.

Encouraging businesses to translate the guidelines into the specific actions they need to take, the government is also asking them to undertake a COVID-19 risk assessment.

### So, what should your business be considering?

- ✓ **1. Working together (but further apart)** booking video calls instead of meeting rooms and fewer people per office are just two examples
- ✓ **2. Office hygiene** – we're likely to see a total ban on hot-desking, and stocks of hand sanitiser, tissues and desk cleaning products readily available
- ✓ **3. Social bubbles** – fixed teams working together and staggered hours are likely to become normal
- ✓ **4. New legislation** – legislation is likely to be adapted to ensure all businesses are working to a COVID-secure standard
- ✓ **5. Avoiding public transport** – employees may be encouraged to continue to work from home if public transport is the only way they can get to their physical workplace
- ✓ **6. Flexible working requests** – many of your employees may feel nervous about returning to their usual workplace, so you may see a rise in flexible working (including home working) requests

### Ready to be COVID-secure?

With so much to consider, we're running two webinars to help your business get ready:

- > Safely returning to offices - [register here](#)
- > Working from home long-term - [register here](#)