**GOVERNMENT ADVICE TO TENANTS LIVING IN SHARED HOUSING ACCOMMODATION**

Foremost follow the advice published by the Government in respect of Covid-19 available at: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

**Usage of shared spaces**

* If you are unwell, you must minimise visiting shared spaces such as kitchens, bathrooms and sitting areas.
* Keep shared spaces well ventilated if possible.
* Keep 2 metres from other people and not share a bed with another person (if possible).
* If toilet or bathroom facilities are shared (not ensuite), if provided, use another separate bathroom if possible.
* Bathrooms should be cleaned and disinfected using your regular cleaning products before being used by anyone else.
* If a separate bathroom is not available, consideration should be given to drawing up a rota for washing or bathing, with the person who is unwell using the facilities last, before thoroughly cleaning the bathroom themselves (if they are able or it is appropriate).
* All tenants should only use their own personal body and hand towels and keep them separate from other people.
* Tenants who are unwell must avoid using shared kitchens whilst others are present. They should take their meals back to their room to eat and use a dishwasher (if available) to clean and dry crockery and cutlery, or thoroughly wash up using hot water and detergent.
* **Tenants should ensure that they regularly wash their hands using soap and hot water for at least 20 seconds in line with government guidance**

Should tenants have any concerns regarding their accommodation, contact Private Sector Housing on telephone number 01962 848 526 / Email: [privatesectorhousing@winchester.gov.uk](mailto:privatesectorhousing@winchester.gov.uk)