

COVID-19 Update 15th March 2020

Digswell Place Group RDA Yard Closed for riding sessions with effect from Monday 16th March 2020 until further notice.

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Dear all

This weekend our Trustees and Management committee reviewed the current position with coronavirus and have taken the sad, but what we believe to be the safest, decision to **close Digswell Place RDA Group to riders with effect from Monday 16th March 2020**. Whilst there are no suspected or confirmed cases of coronavirus at the Yard, we've proactively taken this decision because the safety of our riders, volunteers and staff is our highest priority. We have a duty of care to all, and are especially aware that some of our group may be in higher risk categories. We also need to reduce the risk for a core group of our volunteers and staff who will be needed over the coming weeks to cover our Yard and pony care during the closure.

This means the following:

Riders

No riding sessions will be running from Monday 16th March 2020 until further notice, please check our website and Facebook page for updates. Your usual session coach will be in contact when we reopen.

Volunteers

Although sessions are cancelled we still have ponies to be fed, watered, mucked out and general Yard duties. We will be relying on a core team of volunteers, minders and staff to keep everything running over the coming weeks. If you are willing and well enough, in line with Government advice, and fancy some fresh air and exercise as part of our core team *please contact Sue Jenkins our Yard Manager on 07900 565077*.

Coaches

Please advise your session groups and riders of the closure through your usual communications channels.

Minders

Sue Jenkins will keep you updated with any changes to your usual routines.

Finally wishing everyone the very best of health and sending thanks in advance to those who will be working hard to keep our Yard and ponies safe & well during the closure. We look forward to seeing everyone again when we reopen.

Kind regards

DPGRDA Trustees and Management Committee