

# UMO - Walsall

## Union of Muslim Organisations

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### Press Release: Impact of New Restrictions on Mosques

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Following the Prime Minister's press conference today, new tougher measures across England have been announced to slowdown the spread of Covid-19. Places of Worship are also affected by today's announcement.

Naturally, Walsall Mosques are disappointed to be closed for congregational prayers once again. In Walsall, since re-opening in July there were no reported cases of Covid-19 from our Mosques, as every single Mosque had implemented Government Guidelines. Mosques and places of worship have played an integral part in helping people to cope with Mental health well-being during the Coronavirus Pandemic.

Funerals can have a maximum of 30 attendees, preferably consisting of only close family and friends. Social distancing must be maintained with those who do not live together or share a support bubble. **Congregational prayers will not be taking place in Mosques and will be closed except for funerals, Madrassah classes and essential voluntary and public services.**

These new restrictions will take force from Thursday 5th November from midnight till 2nd December. This will be subject to how serious the virus is each area, which is part of the Government's exit strategy.

To stay update or for any further information, please visit [www.umowalsall.org.uk](http://www.umowalsall.org.uk) or contact us via [info@umowalsall.org.uk](mailto:info@umowalsall.org.uk).

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Note: The UMO is an umbrella organisation for Mosques in Walsall

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