Return to work plan remains on track

News story

Strict control measures in place as additional work activities launch at Low Level Waste Site.



Vending machines are taped off and not to be used.

The return of LLW Repository Ltd (LLWR) personnel to their workplace is continuing this week after the organisation's Restart Plan got underway without any major hurdles.

Office based workers began to return in small numbers last week to the Repository Site, in Cumbria, and this week additional activities are being introduced. Commissioning work on the Security Enhancement Programme and maintenance of Type B fissile packaging resume.

Returnees face a string of new arrangements and control measures, including limitations on movements during the working day and reduced Site open hours to minimise the potential for cross contamination, strict building occupancy limits and seating plans to accommodate 2m social distancing, single occupancy in toilet facilities and closed canteens and kitchens.

Paul Pointon, Managing Director, said: "As expected, we experienced a few teething problems last week and saw uncertainty from some colleagues about the new arrangements, but these were dealt with as the week progressed.

"Control measures are in place to protect the workforce, to demonstrate we are a 'COVID secure' facility and following Government guidelines.

"The new rules are temporary and remain under constant review, to ensure we align with emerging guidance. For now, around 75% of our people will continue to work from home."

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