



## **Covid Policy Statement August 2021**

Birchall Foodservice is committed to the health, safety and wellbeing of both its employees and customers.

To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, we continue to conduct weekly workplace lateral flow testing across our entire workforce and have encouraged all our employees to have both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine.

We are aware that from the 11<sup>th</sup> November under changes to the Care Home Regulations that anyone working in a CQC-registered care home in England for residents requiring nursing or personal care must have 2 doses of a COVID-19 vaccine unless they have a medical exemption. Those coming into care homes to do other work, for example healthcare workers, tradespeople, hairdressers and beauticians, and CQC inspectors will also have to follow the new regulations, unless they have a medical exemption.' [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

Whilst we have encouraged all our drivers to have the vaccine, we cannot contractually force them to have it. Therefore, our drivers will deliver to the kitchen door area of our CQC-registered care homes, unless prior agreement has been made with the appropriate management.

