

## **CoronaVirus Guidance**

### **Update from the Director of Public Health, Jim McManus**

You will have seen the media coverage on the spread of the new coronavirus, a virus of the same family of viruses as the type which caused the SARS (Serious Acquired Respiratory Syndrome) worldwide outbreak in 2002-2003.

The risk to the UK is currently low - there is no cause for alarm and media reports suggesting this virus is of similar severity to Ebola are extremely inaccurate and unhelpful.

Please see the link below for further guidance:

[www.publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know/](http://www.publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know/)