In line with the new COVID restrictions coming into effect from Thursday 05 November we will be closing C-Space to non-Members from 5pm on Wednesday 04 November.

The safety of our community is the most important thing and whilst we are devastated to be instructed to close so soon after opening back up, we will do everything in our gift to ensure the safety of those that we work with, support, host and employ.

**Events and Activities**
The event programme for C-Space for the rest of the year will sadly not be able to go ahead; ticket holders will be contacted and issued with refunds where necessary.

The only exception to this is the direct support Real Ideas delivers to vulnerable young people which we understand from the Government guidance is still permitted. We will review the delivery with young people that we have scheduled for C-Space and may decide to continue with this as long as we can keep numbers below 15 and we can be confident of social distancing and hygiene measures being upheld properly.

**Accessing our spaces**
Members who have access to the co-work at C-Space will be able to continue to access it for business purposes where this doesn't contravene guidance from their own organisation, and where activities cannot be carried out from home.

There will be additional hygiene measures in place and we will require everyone to wear a mask at all times, unless seated at a desk or a table. If you wish to use C-Space during the next phase of restrictions please make sure you have had an induction and that you understand the COVID measures in place and how to practice social distancing in the building.

If you haven’t had an induction please email programme@realideas.org and we will arrange for an online induction so that you can continue to use the space safely.
If using C-Space you must:
• Have had an induction so you know how to safely use our spaces
• Book your co-work desk in advance via the Members area online at www.realideas.org
• Sign in with NHS Test and Trace app when you arrive in the building, using the posters with QR codes at the entrances
• Wear a mask at all times unless seated at a desk or table. The minute you move around the building you must wear a mask
• Practice social distancing, staying 2m away from other people at all times
• Bring your own food and drink – the on-site café will be shut until further notice
• Stay away if you have COVID symptoms and self-isolate for 14 days
• Inform us if you have a positive COVID test result and have been in one of our buildings in the 14 days prior to the test.

Support from our team
Our work to support young people, social entrepreneurs and start-ups will continue and we are working with Members to see what we can do to best help them during this next phase of lockdown. As a Member of Real Ideas, you can also access one to one help and support from our team in the form of business support to keep your social enterprise or creative business thriving. Fill out this online form and let us know how we can help.

We will be monitoring Government guidelines and local Public Health information closely from now until Wednesday 02 December and will be in touch throughout to keep you informed as to what we’re up to.

Until then stay safe, look after yourself and your community, and keep in touch via our socials and our newsletter.

With love from our family to yours,
From everyone at Real Ideas