

## **Infection prevention Control Statement - King Street Surgery**

Reviewed Date: 28.08.2025

### **Purpose**

This annual statement will be generated each year in **April** in accordance with the requirements of the [Health and Social Care Act 2008 Code of Practice](#) on the prevention and control of infections and related guidance. The report will be published on the practice website and will include the following summary:

- Any infection transmission incidents and any action taken (these will have been reported in accordance with our significant event procedure)
- Details of any infection control audits undertaken, and actions undertaken
- Details of any risk assessments undertaken for the prevention and control of infection
- Details of staff training
- Any review and update of policies, procedures and guidelines

### **Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) lead**

The lead for infection prevention and control at King Street Surgery is:

- Dawn Eaton (Practice Nurse) – King Street and Halsey Road (Kempston clinic) site.
- Wendy Smith (Practice Nurse) – St. John's site
- The IPC lead is supported by John Bacha (Quality & Improvement manager)

#### **a. Infection transmission incidents (significant events)**

Significant events involve examples of good practice as well as challenging events.

Positive events are discussed at meetings to allow all staff to be appraised of areas of best practice.

Negative events are managed by the staff member who either identified or was advised of any potential shortcoming. This person will complete a Significant Event Analysis (SEA) form that commences an investigation process to establish what can be learnt and to indicate changes that might lead to future improvements.

All significant events are reviewed and discussed at several meetings each month. Any learning points are cascaded to all relevant staff where an action plan, including audits or policy review, may follow.

In the past year, there have been zero significant events raised which related to infection control. There have also been zero complaints made regarding cleanliness or infection control

#### **b. Infection prevention audit and actions**

**IPC audits** were completed by our IPC lead and scheduled every 6 months. Last done in July 2025

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### c. Risk assessments

Risk assessments are carried out so that any risk is minimised to be as low as reasonably practicable. Additionally, a risk assessment that can identify best practice can be established and then followed. We reviewed, updated our risk assessments (version 11) on 28.08.2025

A suggested list, but one that is not exhaustive, could contain the following:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• General IPC risks</li><li>• Staffing, new joiners and ongoing training</li><li>• COSHH</li><li>• Cleaning standards</li><li>• Privacy curtain cleaning or changes</li><li>• Staff vaccinations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Infrastructure changes</li><li>• Sharps</li><li>• Water safety</li><li>• Toys</li><li>• Assistance dogs</li></ul>
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### d. Training

In addition to staff being involved in risk assessments and significant events, at King Street Surgery all staff and contractors receive IPC induction training on commencing their post. Thereafter, all staff receive refresher training annually.

### e. Policies and procedures

Policies relating to infection prevention and control are available to all staff and are reviewed and updated annually. Additionally, all policies are amended on an ongoing basis as per current advice, guidance and legislation changes. It was reviewed on 28.08.2025. please refer to the IPC policy (Version 5)

### f. Responsibility

It is the responsibility of all staff members at King Street Surgery to be familiar with this statement and their roles and responsibilities under it.

### g. Review

The IPC lead and Quality & Improvement manager are responsible for reviewing and producing the annual statement.

This annual statement will be updated or reviewed on or before 15.04.2026

### Signed by

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For and on behalf of King Street Surgery