

Social and Healthcare Department

## Safe outdoor meetings between you as a relative and resident

In order to protect those most vulnerable due to the COIVID-19 outbreak, indoor visits are currently prohibited in all our eldercare facilities, care homes short-term accommodation. In order to still allow for meetings, Linköping municipality wants to offer so called safe meetings.

The Public Health Agency's general guidelines for reducing the spread of the infection also apply to the conditions necessary for conducting safe meetings. For example, meetings shall not take place if the resident or relative are showing symptoms, even if these symptoms are mild.

## Important things to keep in mind ahead of and during a safe meeting:

- The meetings must be booked in advance by you, the relative. The staff will then determine whether a meeting is appropriate.
- The staff may limit the number of visitors in order to ensure that the meetings can be conducted safely.
- Meetings between you and the resident take place outdoors in the garden/patio adjacent to the home.
- The location is specifically intended for these meetings and will be prepared in advance by the staff.
- Staff members will be appointed to oversee the meetings and make sure that they are conducted in a safe manner. This means, for example, that staff members will ensure that you and the resident arrive to the meeting place using different routes. The staff will make sure that distance is kept, that table surfaces and the plexiglass screen if used, is cleaned between visits.

## How the meeting is conducted:

All meetings will take place outdoors as visitations are currently prohibited. In order to avoid the spread of infection but still allowing residents to see their relatives within the framework of safe meetings, there are two potential solutions regarding the meeting place. The staff will choose an appropriate and available option:

1. Without plexiglass screen

The meeting place is furnished so as to regulate the distance, at least 2 meters, between the relatives and residents.

## 2. With plexiglass screen

Furnished with smaller tables on each side of the plexiglass screen.

- The staff may limit the number of visitors in order to ensure that the meeting can be conducted safely.
- Remember that you and the resident are not allowed to handle the same objects, such as coffee pots, biscuit platters, newspapers etc.

You are very welcome to come visit your relatives, as long as you follow these guidelines!