

**At this time we remain closed due to Covid-19 rules. We hope to be opening in a few weeks' time when government guidelines permit. See [here](#) for further information. Please check back with the website regularly, as we will update this information as soon as we have an opening date.**

#### **Update on Alpaca Trekking and COVID 19:**

The government guidelines currently prevent us from running the alpaca treks on two counts. Activities involving close contact with animals is not permitted and only 6 people may gather together from different households. Since that includes the minimum two staff it makes trekking with 4 people not viable.

In addition, we have to consider hygiene implications - PPE, personal space, touching equipment and gates, preventing transfer of the virus on the alpacas' coats etc. There is also an issue with passing other people on the bridleways. We are expecting new government guidance on alpaca trekking very shortly and this may allow us to plan a limited re-opening, but we will be prepared to wait a few months if necessary to ensure compliance and safety.

When we do start up this is likely to be no more than one person per alpaca and just two treks per week. We will give first chance to people who had already booked a trek and had it cancelled due to COVID 19. Gift voucher expiry dates will be ignored until we are able to meet the demand again so don't worry if your voucher is nearing its expiry.

We are also closed for drop in visitors as we don't have enough staff on site to manage visitors safely if we get a lot arriving at once.

We really look forward to being able to share the alpacas with you again, but we won't rush in until we know it is safe and viable. Please keep an eye on our [facebook page](#) and website [www.hollyhagg.org.uk](http://www.hollyhagg.org.uk) for updates.