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Dear Customers

Following the latest (26th November) government Covid-19 restrictions placing Rutland in tier 2, we have given careful consideration to our plans for the next few weeks.

With a truly heavy heart, I have concluded that in the best interests and welfare of our customers and staff and the long term interests of the business, that we remain closed for the time being.

The restrictions imposed by tier 2 mean that we would only be able to serve alcohol ancillary to a substantial meal, and that mixing in the pub with anyone from another household would be prohibited. These are contrary and far more restrictive measures than we entered into the latest lock down with and those imposed on us in July. We are also faced with the challenge of surrounding towns and counties placed into a higher tier, 3 for example Stamford, Melton and Leicester.

We always strive to make your visit to The Fox a safe and enjoyable experience, whether to eat, drink or both. Customer service and the local community are at the heart of what we do. It is particularly distressing to find ourselves in this position so close to the festive season, a time when, in the past 5 years, staff, customers, families and small gatherings alike have enjoyed some fabulous memorable times with us.

Lets hope these unprecedented times are soon behind us so we can welcome you back to The Fox in a position resembling normality. Be assured that the situation is under constant review and we will keep you informed of any developments. As per the government announcement we expect a review of the tiers on the 16th December.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our customers for their continued support and understanding during these difficult times.

Kind regards and seasonal greetings

*Jason and The Fox team*