

# Cefnogi Busnesau yng Ngwynedd Supporting Businesses in Gwynedd



## **Gwynedd Business Support Bulletin 06.01.2021**

### **ERF Sector Specific Fund opens 11 January 2021**

The ERF Sector Specific Support (operating cost) package is targeted at Hospitality, Tourism and Leisure (HTL) businesses or supply chain companies who are materially impacted with a greater than 60% impact of turnover as a result of the restrictions. Eligible businesses will have to be employing staff via PAYE, and either VAT registered or (exempt from VAT) with turnover above £85,000, or limited companies with turnover above £50,000. Qualifying businesses who have accessed the ERF Restrictions Business Fund can also apply for this fund.

The fund will open to applications on the week commencing the 11 January 2021, and the eligibility checker and calculator is live on the Business Wales website to help businesses work out what support they can expect to qualify for. Go to:

<https://fundchecker.businesswales.gov.wales/sectorspecificgrant/>

### **MESSAGE FOR ACCOMMODATION PROVIDERS: Request for Accommodation**

Gwynedd Council asking for help in providing temporary accommodation for people facing homelessness. The Covid pandemic has led to a significant increase in the number of people in Gwynedd facing homelessness, and as a Local Authority, Gwynedd Council has a moral and statutory duty to provide

them with accommodation. Accommodation costs will be paid directly by Gwynedd Council, and the Council will also provide support to the individuals. If anyone would like to help, or would like more information, contact by phoning 01286 682785 to discuss, or by e-mailing: MA2312@gwynedd.llyw.cymru.

## **Rural Business Investment Scheme – Food (RBIS)**

The Rural Business Investment Scheme – FOOD (RBISF) is a capital investments scheme to support projects that offer clear and quantifiable benefits to the food and drink industry in Wales. The £3.2m scheme is open to existing and start up micro & small food and drink processors and manufacturers throughout Wales. The Expression of Interest for the Rural Business Investment Scheme – FOOD will open on 18 January 2021 and closes on 22 February 2021. Go to:

<https://gov.wales/rural-development-programme-2014-2020-application-dates>

## **HMRC Press Release: Self Assessment deadline – less than a month to go**

HMRC have issued a press release urging Self Assessment customers to file their tax returns ahead of the deadline on 31 January 2021. Go to:

<http://bit.ly/3pYreaN>

## **Network Rail: Cambrian Line investment**

The railway between Porthmadog and Minffordd will be closed from 13 February 2021 to 21 February 2021, so that Network Rail can start on the work of refurbishing Traeth Mawr Viaduct, which connects Porthmadog and Minffordd over the Afon Glaslyn. Transport for Wales will be providing rail replacement bus services between Porthmadog and Harlech during the work. For more information, go to:

<https://bit.ly/3nkZaMQ>

## **Opportunity North Wales 21 January 2021**

Join Careers Wales for Opportunity North Wales, a free online event on 21 January 2021, from 10:00am – 12:00pm, as they team up with partners and

employers from across North Wales to showcase jobs and opportunities available across the region. This virtual event is supported by Working Wales, Careers Wales, the Department of Work and Pensions (Job Centre Plus), the North Wales Regional Skills Partnership and the North Wales Economic Ambition Board.

During the event, you will be able to browse through job vacancies and watch on-demand videos from local employers explaining more about the role. By using the live chat feature you will have the opportunity to discuss any questions you have directly with the employers. In addition to job vacancies, there will also be information on apprenticeships, training and employability support and you can discover how you can benefit from these. To register for this free event, go to:

<https://learnliveuk.com/cyfleoedd-gogledd-cymru-opportunity-north-wales/>

## **Sustainable Transformation – bridging the gap between digital and human 20 January 2021**

One of the most frequently asked questions is, “Why do digital transformation initiatives fail?” Join this Wales Co-operative Centre online event on 20 January 2021, from 10:00am – 11:00am, to find out more about the different elements in a successful transformation, and one of the biggest reasons for failure: people and their reaction to change. Digital transformation is not a project as such, but a culture change, and as with all change, it is predominantly about people, not technology. For more information, and to register, go to:

<http://bit.ly/3ooNiLe>

- Note: This session will be hosted on Remo – a new live, virtual event and networking space. To find out more, visit: <https://remo.co/>

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More useful information is available from:

# Gwynedd Council – Business Support

<https://www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/businesscovid19>

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## Gwynedd Business Network

<https://www.gwyneddbusnes.net/>

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## Business Wales

<https://businesswales.gov.wales/coronavirus-advice/>

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