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Welsh Government December 2020 Restrictions Business Funds

On 4 December 2020, new restrictions were introduced in Wales that included closing entertainment venues and indoor attractions and eateries at 6:00pm and suspending the serving of alcohol. In response to the new restrictions, Welsh Government is offering further financial support to businesses that will be directly affected.

- Eligible hospitality businesses supported by the recent Firebreak Grants will receive their payments directly and should receive their grant from Gwynedd Council by the end of next week.
- Eligible hospitality businesses who did not apply for a Firebreak Grant and those in premises with a rateable value of between £51,001 and £150,000 will also receive support after completing a short registration form which will be available from Wednesday, 16 December 2020.
- Support will also be available to businesses liable for Business Rates who supply the hospitality sector and have been directly and significantly impacted by the restrictions. A short application form for these businesses will be available in the near future.

- Hospitality and hospitality supply chain businesses who do not pay Business Rates but have been directly and significantly impacted by the restrictions will also be eligible for some support. A short application form for these businesses will be available from mid-morning on Monday, 14 December 2020.

More information on all of the above will be available from mid-morning on Monday, 14 December 2020 on:

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

Eligibility checker for hospitality, leisure and tourism fund goes live

Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism businesses impacted by the latest coronavirus restrictions can now find out how much they can expect to receive from the latest round of the Welsh Government's business support package. The £180 million COVID-19 ERF Sector Specific Grant for impacted businesses in the tourism, leisure and hospitality sectors will be administered by the Welsh Government. A new eligibility checker and calculator is now live on the Business Wales website to help businesses work out what support they can expect to qualify for. Guidance will also be available for firms to help them through the application process for the Sector Specific Fund which will open during the week of 11 January 2021. Go to:

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

Updated Covid control plan to be published

An updated version of Wales' covid control plan will be published next week, the First Minister Mark Drakeford has announced earlier today. Go to:

<https://gov.wales/updated-covid-control-plan-be-published>

Business Wales Skills Gateway: Flexible Skills Programme

If your business is considering a new business opportunity, new technology, an expansion plan and growth, it's possible that the Flexible Skills Programme

may be able to help you with financial support towards upskilling your staff with the Flexible Skills Programme Partnership Projects. For more information about the specific programmes available, go to:

<https://businesswales.gov.wales/skillsgateway/flexible-skills-programme>

Coronavirus self-isolation and quarantine reduced to 10 days in Wales

As of Thursday 10 December 2020 the time people have to self-isolate for coronavirus will be reduced from 14 days to 10 in Wales. This has been endorsed by The Chief Medical Officer for Wales, Dr Frank Atherton, and is based on the current available evidence around likelihood of being infectious as a contact after 10 days. For more information, go to:

<https://gov.wales/coronavirus-self-isolation-and-quarantine-reduced-ten-days-wales>

Visit Wales' latest bulletin 10 December 2020

There is more information about the support and advice available in Visit Wales' latest bulletin, go to:

<https://bit.ly/VisitWalesNews10Dec2020>

100th Gwynedd Business Support Bulletin

This is the 100th Business Support Bulletin issued since the end of March 2020 and over 3,900 businesses and institutions in Gwynedd now receive the bulletins!

Information circulated:

- Financial Support from public funding
- Changes in rules
- Press releases from Gwynedd Council
- Business support courses and webinars from various institutions

Since March, Gwynedd Council has also managed six grant schemes to help businesses through the pandemic making over 8,000 payments worth £68million to local businesses. We've also sent out over 400 Tweets, which have been seen over 190,000 times! We hope you have found the information circulated of value.

More useful information is available from:

Gwynedd Council – Business Support

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

<https://twitter.com/BusnesGwynedd>

Gwynedd Business Network

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

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Business Wales

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

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