

# Cefnogi Busnesau yng Ngwynedd Supporting Businesses in Gwynedd



 **CYNGOR GWYNEDD COUNCIL**

## **Gwynedd Business Support Bulletin 26.11.2020**

### **Self-Employment Income Support Scheme Grant Extension – SEISS**

The grant is being extended from 1 November 2020 and is available in the form of two grants, each available for three month periods covering November 2020 to January 2021 and February 2021 to April 2021. The online service for the next grant will be available from 30 November 2020. For more information, go to:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/self-employment-income-support-scheme-grant-extension>

### **Business Wales Barriers Grant**

Part of the Welsh Government's Covid-19 commitment to put in place a programme of employment and skills support to help people back to work programme includes additional support for individuals considering self-employment. In addition to the existing start-up service, a grant to support unemployed individuals that face greater economic barriers to starting a business is being made available. This discretionary grant will help up to 600 individuals become self-employed or start a business, between December 2020 and March 2021. Individuals will be able to apply for up to £2,000 to contribute towards the essential costs of starting a business. Applications will need to be supported by a business plan outlining the business proposal and costs associated with getting established. The grant will be managed through

the Business Wales service. The fund will open for applications on 1 December 2020. For more information, go to:

<https://businesswales.gov.wales/business-wales-barriers-grant>

## **Visit Wales Industry News 26 November 2020**

Visit Wales' latest bulletin contains information about the following:

- Four UK nations agree new rules for the festive period
- Hosting meetings for up to 15 people indoors
- Christmas events – Frequently Asked Questions
- Stay informed, stay prepared – The end of the EU transition period  
^\*COVID-19 UK Tourism Consumer Tracker Survey
- Smoke-free legislation in Wales – draft Guidance
- Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme Updated Guidance
- New Destination Management Organisation (DMO) 'Visit Pembrokeshire'
- Self Assessment customers warned about scammers posing as HMRC
- HMRC guidance for employers on reporting obligations for payments made early at Christmas
- Small Business Commissioner consultation

Go to:

<https://bit.ly/VisitWalesNews26Nov2020>

## **Food and Drink Wales: Building business resilience in volatile times 1 December 2020**

As 2020 draws to a close, Welsh food and drink manufacturers are facing volatile conditions through the combined impacts of Covid-19, EU Exit and an unpredictable Christmas trading period. Join the Food & Drink Wales Industry Board and Food Skills Cymru at this year's virtual Royal Welsh Winter Fair, on 1 December 2020 from 2:00pm – 3:00pm, to hear what support is available to improve business resilience by managing risks. For more information, go to:

<https://bit.ly/FoodDrinkNews24Nov2020>

## **Changing terms and conditions of employment: avoiding costly mistakes webinar 9 December 2020**

The past eight months has been a challenging time for many businesses. With the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme set to come to an end on 31 March 2021, now is an ideal time for employers to address their minds to future workforce planning. As part of this process, some employers may be looking at ways to reduce their costs, either on a temporary or permanent basis, through changing terms and conditions of employment. Business Wales are bringing you this webinar, delivered by Jennifer Gibson of Lanyon Bowdler Solicitors, who will take employers through how to make changes to contractual employment terms lawfully and how to avoid potential pitfalls. The webinar will be held on 9 December 2020 from 10:00am – 11:00am. For more information and to book your place, call 01745 585025 or email:

northwales@businesswales.org.uk

## **The Next Tourism Generation Competition 2021**

This competition is organised by the Next Tourism Generation Project in collaboration with Tourism Society Cymru and PLANED.

The competition is aimed at people studying in further or higher education, or at young people at the start of their careers. The aim is to help promote and inform the future of sustainable tourism and skills within the tourism & hospitality industry in Wales. The Next Tourism Generation competition is asking those eligible to respond to these questions:

- What should the future of tourism in Wales look like?
- What skills and training will the next generation of tourism professionals need to support this sustainable development?

Further details, including full terms and conditions and the Entry Form can be found here:

<https://nexttourismgeneration.eu/event/ntgwales2021/>

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/>

<https://twitter.com/gwyneddbusnes>

## **Business Wales**

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

<https://twitter.com/businesswales>

## **FSB Wales**

[https://twitter.com/FSB\\_Wales](https://twitter.com/FSB_Wales)

## **Visit Wales**

<https://twitter.com/VisitWalesBiz>

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