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Gwynedd Business Support Bulletin 27.04.2021 Relaxation of COVID-19 restrictions – update

If the improvements we have seen in the public health situation are sustained beyond 3 May 2021, it will be possible for an incoming Government to consider moving between the alert levels provided for in the updated Coronavirus Control Plan in single steps. On this basis, preparations will be made enabling an incoming Government after the Senedd elections to move to alert level two on Monday 17 May 2021. This will be subject to the public health conditions closer to the time.

Alert level two includes the following changes:

- Indoor hospitality can reopen
- Remainder of holiday accommodation can open (e.g. campsites with shared facilities) to members of single households or extended households
- Entertainment venues can open, including cinemas, bingo halls, bowling alleys, indoor play centres and areas, casinos, and amusement arcades
- Indoor visitor attractions can open, including museums, galleries, educational and heritage attractions, and heritage sites such as stately homes
- The rule of four applies for gatherings in regulated premises like a café (up to 4 people from 4 households) or a single household if more than 4 people.

- The rule of six continues outdoors. Meeting indoors in private homes will still be limited to the extended household only (exclusive bubble).
- The limits on organised activities increases to 30 indoors and 50 outdoors.
- Wedding receptions can take place indoors in regulated premises for up to 30 people.

For the latest advice, guidelines and materials to keep your staff and customers safe, go to:

https://gov.wales/staying-safe-at-work

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

COVID-19 checklists for tourism and hospitality businesses

Guidance for tourism and hospitality businesses to keep employees and visitors safe during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic can be found here:

https://gov.wales/guidance-for-tourism-and-hospitality-businesses-coronavirus-html

Updated checklists are available to support the Guidance for Tourism and Hospitality businesses, which outline the key measures you should implement to keep your staff, customers and visitors safe.

- Social Distancing:https://bit.ly/2QDC8GJ
- Hygiene: https://bit.ly/3aKdafJ
- Keeping Records https://bit.ly/3aL7fqG
- IMPORTANT: In the case of a group, it is compulsory to collect details on all members of each group, not just a lead member.

A Business Action Card is also available and this provides you with information on how to keep COVID-19 out of your premises, what action to take when an

employee or customer tests positive and how can you minimise the spread of COVID-19 in your business. This has also been shared as guidance to enforcement officers with Environmental Health teams and Incident Management Teams at Local Authorities for use as they visit hospitality businesses. Go to:

https://bit.ly/2QsgmWE

Letter to the visitor economy sector from Dr Frank Atherton, Chief Medical Officer

See the letter from Dr Frank Atherton, Chief Medical Officer/Medical Director NHS Wales for the attention of the visitor economy sector – "Maintaining a Covid secure environment in the visitor economy to protect staff and customers." Go to:

https://bit.ly/3nnUEPk

Rural Business Investment Scheme – Non-Agricultural Open

The Rural Business Investment Scheme – Non Agricultural, which offers financial support for small businesses diversifying into non-farming activities, opened yesterday 26 April 2021. Guidance which explains the scheme and the kind of projects that may qualify for grant aid can be found here:

https://gov.wales/rural-business-investment-scheme-non-agriculture

Volunteers and those unable to work from home can order a lateral flow self-test kit online

From Monday 26 April 2021, volunteers and those who are unable to work from home can order a lateral flow self-test kit to be delivered direct to their home. Lateral flow self-tests are also available to collect from certain test sites across Wales, no appointment is needed. Details about ordering and the collection sites and opening times can be found here:

https://gov.wales/get-rapid-lateral-flow-covid-19-tests-if-you-do-not-have-symptoms

Wales Tech Week 21-25 June 2021

As the tech event of the summer, Wales Tech Week brings you five days of world class speakers, workshops, exclusive 'audience with' sessions and more. The festival sets to showcase how technology is impacting, enabling, and improving our lives, all from the comforts of our own home/office. Whether you're working in or developing new technology, interested in how technology can transform your business or just 'tech curious', Wales Tech Week has something for everyone through a diverse range of subjects delivered throughout the week. From space travel to securing start-up investment, blockchain to decarbonisation, Wales Tech Week showcases the breadth and innovation of technology. For more information, and to register, go to:

https://technologyconnected.net/wales-tech-week/

More useful information is available from:

Gwynedd Council – Business Support

https://www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/businesscovid19 https://twitter.com/BusnesGwynedd

Gwynedd Business Network

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