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New national Covid measures for Wales

People and not rules are at the heart of Wales' response to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, First Minister Mark Drakeford has said today as he sets out the new post-firebreak measures in Wales. Some of the new measures are still being finalised following the unexpected announcement over the weekend about a month-long lockdown in England, which will start on Thursday. Go to:

<https://gov.wales/new-national-covid-measures-for-wales-first-minister-says-people-not-rules-are-key-to-our-response>

Furlough Scheme Extended

The Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme (CJRS) – also known as the Furlough scheme – will remain open until December, with employees receiving 80% of their current salary for hours not worked, up to a maximum of £2,500. To find out more including how you will be able to claim the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme go to:

<https://businesswales.gov.wales/news-and-blogs/news/furlough-scheme-extended>

The UK and EU transition – Take action now for new rules in 2021

The UK has left the EU, and the transition period after Brexit comes to an end this year. The UK Government has just released a series of checklists for the following sectors to prepare for 1 January 2021.

- Preparing for the end of the transition period if you work in the tourism sector
<https://bit.ly/2Tli4Ry>
- Preparing for the end of the transition period if you work in the telecoms and information services sector
<https://bit.ly/384eZna>
- Exporting and importing businesses: prepare for 1 January 2021
<https://bit.ly/2TS3MO9>

Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Schemes and Future Fund – close end of November

The four temporary loan schemes that were designed to support UK businesses that are losing revenue and seeing their cashflow disrupted as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak close on 30 November 2020 for new applications.

- Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme (CBILS)
- Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan Scheme (CLBILS)
- Bounce Back Loan Scheme (BBLs)
- Future Fund

For further information please visit the British Business Bank website:

<https://www.british-business-bank.co.uk/ourpartners/coronavirus-business-interruption-loan-schemes/>

Reopening your business – Remember QR Codes / Test, Trace, Protect

Before the firebreak regulations came into force on 23 October 2020, businesses in Wales were encouraged to display the QR code posters for customers to use the NHS Covid-19 app whilst in their premises, and this will still be encouraged when businesses reopen on 9 November 2020. It will also still be a legal requirement to collect and retain contact information for some businesses. Full details on:

<https://gov.wales/keeping-records-staff-customers-and-visitors-test-trace-protect>

For details on how to create the QR Code and poster for your premises, go to:

<https://www.gov.uk/create-coronavirus-qr-poster>

Business Wales have released a short explanatory YouTube video:

<http://bit.ly/BusinessWalesQRVideo>

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/>

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