



## LRF Communications Briefing – Covid19

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### LRFBIZ V66 - ECONOMIC RESPONSE & RECOVERY VERSION

#### Coronavirus Headlines

##### AstraZeneca Covid vaccination walk-in appointments available at PRSA Boston and the Lincolnshire Showground

The county's two Mass Vaccination Centres (MVCs) at PRSA, Boston, and the Lincolnshire Showground will be offering walk-in AstraZeneca Covid-19 vaccinations in the week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> June.

Those aged 40 years or over will be able to attend for a first dose vaccination or a second dose if there is a minimum eight week gap since their first dose. Available on a 'first come, first served' basis, the walk-ins will be using AstraZeneca only and will be available as follows:

- PRSA MVC, Boston: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June, 8am - 7pm
- Lincolnshire Showground MVC: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June, 8am - 7pm

Walk-in sessions are expected to be busy so please remain patient. There is no requirement to be registered with a GP or to have an NHS number to attend.

If you are aged 39 and under, book an appointment via the national booking service [here](#).



#### Business & Economy

##### Automation in food processing in the global spotlight

Greater Lincolnshire's expertise in food processing automation has been showcased to the world by the [Department for International Trade \(DIT\)](#). The Greater Lincolnshire High Potential Opportunity (HPO) for Automation in Food Processing has been launched by the DIT Network via two webinars which were attended by 50 people across multiple countries and time zones.

Agrifood specialists at the Greater Lincolnshire LEP and the DIT Midlands team respectively, presented the HPO to embassies around the world to help them understand the investment opportunity in Greater Lincolnshire and to inform their discussions with investors. Click [here](#) to read more.

##### Free event for Lincolnshire pubs developing accommodation

A free webinar is being held as part of the 'Room at the Inn' project, and pubs in Lincolnshire are being invited to join. [Business Lincolnshire](#) in partnership with [Team Lincolnshire](#) and [Heritage Lincolnshire](#) is

hosting the event on Tuesday 29 June, aimed at pubs looking to provide or develop any type of accommodation as part of their offer.

The 'Room at the Inn' project is a countywide initiative, supporting the county's tourism recovery strategy. Find out more [here](#).

### Eviction protection extended for businesses most in need

New rules are to be established to ringfence Covid-19 commercial rent arrears, guiding tenants and landlords to agree repayment plans. Measures to protect commercial tenants have been extended until new rules come into force, in an announcement welcomed by the hospitality sector.

### Nature recovery at heart of Natural England vision for year ahead

Natural England has outlined its programme to help the nation build back greener in the year ahead within its 2021/22 Action Plan, published 17 June.

As the nation recovers from the Covid-19 pandemic, the remit and funding for Natural England has been expanded. This will help establish our vision of creating thriving nature for people and the planet. Further information can be found [here](#).

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## EU Transition

### EU Settlement Scheme - Last Call!

The Home Office is advising businesses that the deadline of 30 June 2021 for applications is nearing to be made to the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS). Visit [www.gov.uk/eusettlementscheme](http://www.gov.uk/eusettlementscheme) for more information.

### Useful contacts

For continuous information, support, advice, and all things business-related visit [www.businesslincolnshire.com](http://www.businesslincolnshire.com). To view a list of government helplines, click [here](#). Businesses in England should call 0800 998 1098.

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## Tools, Webinars & Events

### Help to Grow: How SMEs can innovate, grow, and drive recovery

Business Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng will host a live panel event on Twitter with top business leaders and entrepreneurs to discuss how business can help support growth across the UK. Marta Krupinska (Head of Google for Startups UK) and Laura Tenison MBE (Founder and Managing Director of JoJo Maman Bébé) are among the panellists who will share their experiences.

The event will take place on Wednesday 23 June at 10:30am. [Register and send in questions for the panel](#). [Watch the event on Twitter here](#).

### The Greater Lincolnshire LEP Online Jobs and Careers Fair Series



The next in the series of online jobs and careers fairs held by the Greater Lincolnshire LEP will be live on Wednesday 30 June, hosted by Lia Nici, MP for Great Grimsby.

Visitors can browse vacancies, access careers advice, and chat to local employers via instant messaging and video call features. Click [here](#) for free access.

## Upcoming events

- **Eliminate Self Doubt and Switch on your Success Mindset** - webinar. Thursday 24 June, click [here](#) for more.
- **Raising Finance: MEIF Masterclass 2- Equity Financing** - online masterclass. Thursday 1 July, click [here](#) for more.
- **Setting Up a Website on a Budget** - in-person workshop, Grimsby. Tuesday 6 July, click [here](#) for more.

To discover more upcoming events, webinars, and online courses, click [here](#) to visit the Business Lincolnshire calendar. All [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) webinars and videos for organisations that trade with the EU can be found [here](#).

## Fixed key messaging

- **HANDS FACE SPACE**
- Approved vaccines are safe and prevent the spread of infectious diseases.
- Visit [Business Lincolnshire](#) for continued support to your business.
- Call the Covid helpline on 01522 782189 and select option 2 for business queries.
- Feed business impacts into [Business Intelligence](#).

The Lincolnshire Resilience Forum has created a Recovery Comms Cell made up of county and district councils, NHS, and LEP/Business Lincolnshire leads to ensure consistency of key messaging. This is not intended as a comprehensive list but to update on new and key messages relevant to economic response and recovery. Follow and tag on Twitter @ [LRF](#) @ [GreaterLincsLEP](#) @ [businesslincs](#)

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