



## LRF Communications Briefing – Covid19

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#### Coronavirus Headlines

##### Prime Minister sets out plan to ease restrictions at step 4

Covid-19 restrictions are set to end in England after the Prime Minister set out how life will soon return close to normal after step 4 of the roadmap. Social distancing restrictions are to end, facemasks will no longer be mandatory, and there will be no limits on gatherings. All venues currently closed can safely reopen with no capacity limits. Further information [here](#).

##### Lincolnshire closes in on 85% vaccination rate, but needs your help

With Covid-19 restrictions due to be eased on 19<sup>th</sup> July, the NHS Lincolnshire is urging anyone who hasn't yet been vaccinated, whether first or second time, to do so as soon as possible.

*"Right now we have vaccinated 83.7% of all the people who need to have the vaccination," explains Rebecca Neno, Deputy Chief Nurse, NHS Lincolnshire CCG. "We need to hit 85% and the gap, in terms of numbers of people, is around 9,000, we have the vaccine supply and infrastructure in place to make it happen, we just need people to come forwards, particularly those aged 18-29."*

There are a series of walk-in events being run across Lincolnshire, including at the county's two Mass Vaccination Centres at PRSA, Boston, and the Lincolnshire Showground, as well as at the Co-op Pharmacy at Parkside, Boston, and in the Lincoln Mosque car park. Next week there are more walk-in opportunities including late night walk-ins on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July, until 10pm, at the two Mass Vaccination Centres at the PRSA and Lincolnshire Showground.

##### Self-isolation to be eased for fully vaccinated adults in step 4

From 16 August, double-jabbed individuals and under 18s will no longer need to self-isolate if they are identified as a close contact of someone with Covid-19. To ensure young people can make the most of their education as restrictions continue to ease, the Government also plans to exempt those aged under 18 from self-isolation if they are a close contact.

Further information [here](#).

#### Business & Economy

##### Lincolnshire County Council & Greater Lincolnshire LEP Sector Propositions

The Greater Lincolnshire LEP with Lincolnshire County Council in partnership with other contributors, have published three sector propositions with additional priority sectors to follow. Hot off the press is the [Low Carbon Energy & Industry](#) edition to compliment [Agrifood](#) and [Advanced Engineering & Manufacturing](#). Please promote and share with your networks.

##### 750 new jobs outlined as offshore wind turbine factory confirms opening on River Humber

Up to 750 new jobs have been outlined at Able Marine Energy Park as funding was secured by monopile

manufacturer SeAH Wind Ltd for the Humber site. The South Korean steel tube specialist will receive a government grant to help build out a £260 million facility for offshore wind foundations. Find out more on this story [here](#).

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## Tools, Webinars & Events

**MEET THE BUYER EVENT**  
- FOOD & DRINK  
Virtual event | Tuesday 14th September

**Looking for a new supplier?**  
Are you in the food and drink sector?  
Make UK are hosting a meet the buyer event for you.

This is your chance to access new suppliers to solve your problems, boost efficiency and drive sustainability.

Examples of items/ solutions for procurement might include:

- > Alternative packaging suppliers
- > Low carbon cool chain technology
- > Adding value to waste streams or water efficiency systems
- > Robotics for picking and processing

To find out more  
[chorobin@makeuk.org](mailto:chorobin@makeuk.org)

All meetings are free of charge for buyers to attend and conducted via our virtual meeting and events platform.

[makeuk.org](https://www.makeuk.org)

**MAKEuk**  
The Manufacturers' Organisation

### Meet the Buyer - Make UK

Make UK have approached Lincolnshire as a big-hitter in the food sector for help in running their Meet the Buyer event on Tuesday 14 September, which is the first of its type for the food industry.

Promotion for this event is initially being pushed to larger companies in the food chain, with a potential to be aimed at suppliers later in summer.

It is based on a model Make UK have successfully used in the defence sector, whereby buyers from larger companies have a series of short online B2B sessions with potential new suppliers who can meet needs they have for inputs.

The event is free to access for the larger companies and they can specify in advance the areas they are keen to find new suppliers for, with Make UK then setting them up with a small number (circa 5) introductions to potential suppliers.

### Upcoming Local events

- **Business Lincolnshire Live Show #4 - The Green Agenda** - online. Tuesday 20 July, click [here](#) for more.
- **Greater Lincolnshire Online Jobs Fair** - online event. Wednesday 28 July, click [here](#) for more.
- **Midlands Economic Summit Q3 2021: Changing face of the Midlands** - webinar. Thursday 9 September, 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](#).

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## Fixed key messaging

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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