

## Lincolnshire's Resilience Forum



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## Lincolnshire Resilience Forum – Recovery Cell Comms Distribution

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As we move from Response to Recovery, 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 business. Follow and tag @ [twitter LRF](#) [twitter LEP](#) [twitter Business Lincolnshire](#)

### Headline Updates

#### Alcohol-based hand sanitisers in vehicles

There have been a number of reports of alcohol-based hand sanitisers being the cause of fires when left in vehicles in the hot weather the UK is currently experiencing. The alcohol is becoming heated, resulting in flammable vapours being released. These vapours are reaching their 'flashpoint' and then ignite in normal air conditions, setting fire to flammable components within the car.

#### Key messaging:

- Remove all alcohol-based hand sanitisers from vehicles when they are not occupied – do not leave unattended
- If the temperature outside is 25 degrees Celsius – it will be in excess of 55 degrees Celsius in vehicles during the hot weather.

### Industry Relevant Updates

#### Lockdown Easing

Many more businesses will be able to open from July 4<sup>th</sup> subject to being Covid-secure. Comprehensive guidance is being developed by government to help employers, employees and the self-employed understand how to work and trade safely and updates can be found [here](#) with further information to follow soon. A the full list of businesses eligible to open is published [here](#).

For the time being, certain [businesses and venues](#) will still be required by law to stay closed to the public. From 4 July, these closed businesses and venues include:-

- nightclubs
- casinos
- bowling alleys and indoor skating rinks
- indoor play areas including soft-play
- spas
- nail bars, beauty salons and tanning salons
- massage, tattoo and piercing parlours
- indoor fitness and dance studios, and indoor gyms and sports venues/facilities
- swimming pools and water parks
- exhibition or conference centres - where they are to be used for exhibitions or conferences

## DIT and DEFRA announcement on Food Trade support

A 'bounce back' plan of trade measures for the agriculture, food and drink industry has been announced today to help support businesses that have been impacted by coronavirus. The new strategic interventions jointly announced by the Department for International Trade (DIT) and Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) will offer immediate support to help businesses in the industry grow their trade activity overseas.

The measures introduced will support producers, manufacturers and agri-tech companies across the food supply chain, from farm to fork as follows:-

- Package of measures designed to turbo charge UK food and drink as the world recovers from coronavirus
- The plan will provide unprecedented help for SMEs and allow them to capitalise on trade agreements being negotiated by DIT with Japan, US, Australia and New Zealand
- Designed in conjunction with business and the devolved administrations, the plan will be driven jointly by DEFRA and DIT

Read the press release [here](#) with more information to follow.

## Apprenticeship Bursary for care leavers

Care leavers may be entitled to [bursaries](#) for apprenticeships if they are under 25 when they start an apprenticeship and they are or have been in care.

## Fixed Key Messaging

- Visit [Business Lincolnshire](#) or call 01522 782189 for continued support to your Greater Lincolnshire or Rutland business
- As lockdown eases many more businesses can open subject to being Covid-secure. Guidance is updated [here](#) and the full list of businesses eligible to open is published [here](#).
- The government wants help from businesses to increase COVID-19 testing capacity in the UK. Click [here](#) if you can help and to find out more.
- Feed business impacts into our [Business Intelligence](#) platform to help us continue to develop solutions with Government.

