





COVID-19 DAILY UPDATE 07/04/2020

We want to provide our partners with a daily COVID-19 update.

Recently further actions have been announced:

UK registered businesses can apply for a share of up to £20 million to respond to new and urgent needs in UK and global communities during and following the Covid-19 pandemic.
Businesses can claim 100% of the project costs up to the maximum of £50,000. These will be paid in advance of the project start date. Find out more here.

Cheshire and Warrington Updates

- The LEP and Growth Hub are producing a podcast series about COVID-19 topics, the first one has been released, please can you share across your networks. The second one is planned for release next week and is about the CBILS, CLBILS and COVID-19 Corporate Financing Facility schemes.
- The Growth Hub are also sending regular newsletters, which can be <u>signed up to here</u>. A newsletter was sent today, again please share with your networks, it can be viewed <u>here</u>.
- A <u>survey</u> has been created to gather business intelligence. So far we've received 382 responses.
- Local NHS Trust, Cheshire and Wirral Partnership (CWP), has launched a new mental health helpline for residents of Cheshire West, Cheshire East and Wirral. Open 24 hours a day, seven-days a week, it is open to people of all ages including children and young people who need urgent mental health support. The dedicated phone number: 0300 303 3972 should now be

- everyone's first port of call for urgent mental health help in Cheshire and Wirral. It is operated by local NHS staff who can connect people experiencing mental health issues with the best local support.
- Active Cheshire will be creating a resource pack for employers /employees to access for free via their website, all about getting people active at home to maintain good physical and mental health. We will share this when available.
- All three local authorities are asking businesses to provide spare PPE equipment to help government efforts.
- The Pledge have collated a series of <u>careers education resources</u> for home schooling and for teachers setting work for young people.
- Updates are on the Growth Hub <u>website</u>, being updated daily, a new layout has been launched to make it easier to access information.
- Marketing Cheshire have created a <u>guide</u> for their members and the wider retail, leisure, hospitality and tourism sector businesses. They are also creating a further survey for these businesses to understand the impact on the sector.

Useful Links

- http://candwgrowthhub.co.uk/covid-19/
- www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-ukgovernment-response
- https://www.businesssupport.gov.uk/coronavirus-business-support/





