



# Daily update

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Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020.

Tonight

**Today Chamber engaged with the Minister for Social Security for an hour-long meeting, looking at her announcement to bring in the new Family Friendly legislation from 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020. As previously expressed, Chamber were surprised at the announcement in the States Assembly on Tuesday, which we had not been consulted on.**

**Chamber recognises that the legislation is the right thing to introduce. But Chamber, via many businesses who have contacted us, do also recognise we are in the midst of the biggest economic crisis in seventy-five years. Government and Business are just starting first tentative steps together, as we begin to think of recovery. As such, we question the timing of introducing such additional burden and worry to many small businesses struggling week to week as poor timing.**

*'You're playing all the right notes, but not necessarily in the right order...'*

**Chamber has strongly urged that the Minister considers a minor delay to the start of this new legislation by at least by 8 weeks, as a reasonable step, to give businesses the opportunity to open first, to begin to become operational once more and to reorganise and access their business model, also allowing for the economy to slowly initiate some return to trading first. The Minister was receptive to our suggestion and is considering our proposals.**

*'What do you think of it so far?...'*

## **And so, to the News**

*'He'll never sell ice-creams, going at that speed'*

### **Minister signs Order to allow travel to work**

The Minister for Health and Social Services, Deputy Richard Renouf, yesterday signed an Order which updates the restrictions of personal movement and continues the move into Level 3 measures of the Safe Exit Framework.

Following medical advice, the COVID-19 (Restricted Movement) (Jersey) Order 2020 now permits Islanders to be outside if travelling to and from their workplace if their employer has instructed them to return to work. Time spent in the workplace is not subject to a time limit.

<https://www.gov.je/News/2020/Pages/RestrictedMovementOrder21.aspx>

### **Gatwick route added to lifeline air service**

A weekly return flight between Jersey and London Gatwick will start next week to support essential travel to and from the Island. The service will be operated by Blue Islands as part of its agreement with the Government of Jersey to maintain lifeline air links with the UK.

<https://www.gov.je/News/2020/Pages/gatwickflights.aspx>

### **Isolation guidance is expanded**

Updated isolation advice is being published for Islanders who have been in direct contact with someone who has tested positive for Covid-19, as well as those who are confirmed as having the virus or classed as symptomatic.

<https://www.gov.je/News/2020/Pages/isolationguidance.aspx>

### **New regulations are being proposed and lodged by Minister for Health and Social Services P.66/2020 - Draft Covid-19 (Safe Distancing) (Jersey) Regulations 202- [P.66/2020] and will be debated next week on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May**

The requirement to remain physically distant from others will be enforced by means of an offence of wilfully failing to comply with the direction of a police officer to cease to gather at less than 2 metres with someone who is from another household. The penalty is a fine of up to £1,000 (level 2 on the standard penalty scale). It could be the person in charge of the child may commit the offence or the if a child is not under the supervision of an adult, or wilfully fails to stop breaching safe distancing and is old enough to receive and understand a direction, then they are committing an offence. This is intended to manage the situation where under 18-year olds gather together in breach of the restrictions but without adults supervising.

<https://statesassembly.gov.je/assemblypropositions/2020/p.66-2020.pdf>

### **Feel like getting fit outside?**

*'Get out of that, without moving'*

Our understanding is that under the Safe Exit Level 3 Policy businesses or organisations that support outdoor recreation are able to open if they are able to put necessary public health measures in place to reduce the risk of the spread of COVID-19. The general guidance for businesses with relevance to outdoor recreation is here:

<https://www.gov.je/health/coronavirus/businessandemployment/pages/coronavirusbusinessadvice.aspx#BusinessOutdoorRecreation>

**Jersey Sport has issued some excellent guidance and support materials that you might find useful:**

<http://www.jerseysport.je/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/CV-19-Guidance-for-Sports-Organisations-11-May-2020.pdf>

**As I'm sure you appreciate the key matters for their consideration are:**

- physical distancing
- disinfecting any equipment
- bearing in mind that no training session may exceed the size of a gathering (i.e. a household plus 5 people)
- considering advocating a train and go approach and discouraging congregating after sessions. (e.g. Chatting in car parks).



From today indoor workplaces - including offices, warehouses, manufacturing facilities and workshops - can allow employees to resume work-based activity where it is essential for the business function and can't be done from home.

The relevant indoor workplace guidance has now been published on gov.je:  
<https://www.gov.je/News/2020/Pages/IndoorWorkplaceGuidance.aspx>

An email has been set up to deal with queries [workplacecovid@gov.je](mailto:workplacecovid@gov.je)

**Workplace Posters** Please **see below links for posters that businesses** may find useful relating to the reopening guidelines which support the compliance, transparency and self-regulation of standards in the workplace. Print and display them.

[Generic Workplace Poster](#)

[Meeting Room Poster](#)

[Lift Usage Poster](#)

**The Friday Chamber Webchat – it is tomorrow! Are you registered to watch and what is your question for the panel?** The Friday webchat will be looking at the Business Impacts of COVID 19 Survey. The survey, sponsored by Grant Thornton, is 4-5pm Friday.

[Register for the webinar](#)

On the panel is: Jennifer Carnegie - President, Jersey Chamber of Commerce, Adam Budworth - Managing Director, Grant Thornton Channel Islands, Susie Crowder - Director Human Capital Advisory, Grant Thornton Channel Islands, Martin Holmes - Chair, Jersey Construction Council and Simon Soar - CEO, Jersey Hospitality Association

## Help



Welcome to new members and local Customer Experience Expert Emma-Louise Vetch who is trying to help, for free, some local sectors understand how consumers behaviours will change as a result of the coronavirus pandemic.

She wanted to share some results from her recent 'coronavirus impact surveys' which I feel may be of interest to some businesses reading this.

There is a 'high level infographic' and 'full detail/analysis' for each of them and all available on the website, <https://www.allthingscustomer.co.uk/blog>.

## Food and Drink Corner

### **La Robeline Cider does island-wide deliveries & Pop-Up Roasts**

This Bank Holiday Sunday they will have Dingley Dell Pork Loins, Label Anglais Chickens and English Legs of Lamb. This week they are dishing up a lovely vegetable selection of local courgettes, aubergines, peppers and tomatoes, Jersey Royals, Flageolet beans and Dauphinoise potatoes which compliment the lamb particularly well. To order – click the link...

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**Zoom Wine O'Clock with a tasting...**

The incredibly entertaining Fleur McCree, Owner of [Little Beauty Wines](#) in Marlborough, New Zealand has agreed to host the next Dunell's Zoom tasting event on Friday 29th May from 7pm! Be sure to book [HERE](#) quickly as this will sell out fast!

And thus, I shall take *my little short, fat hairy legs* to the beach

*'...Make me happy, through the years, Never bring me, any tears, Let your arms be as warm as the sun from up above, Bring me fun, bring me sunshine, bring me love'*

I thank you,

Murray

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