

# Cefnogi Busnesau yng Ngwynedd Supporting Businesses in Gwynedd



## **Gwynedd Business Support Bulletin 22.12.2021**

### **COVID-19: Strengthened measures to keep Wales safe as omicron strikes**

The Welsh Government has announced that new measures will be introduced from 6:00am on Boxing Day to help keep Wales safe. The measures are a revised version of Alert Level 2. Key points are:

- A general requirement of 2m social distancing in all premises open to the public and workplaces, where reasonable
- The rule of 6 will apply to gatherings in regulated premises, such as hospitality, cinemas and theatres
- All licensed premises will need to take additional measures to protect customers and staff, including table service and collecting contact details for test and trace purposes
- Face coverings will be required in hospitality settings at all times apart from when seated
- Large events will not be allowed indoors or outdoors – The maximum number of people who can gather at an indoor event will be 30 and 50 outdoors
- There will be an exception for team sports, up to 50 spectators will be able to gather, in addition to those taking part. There is also an exception for events involving children

£120 million will be available for nightclubs, retail, hospitality, leisure and tourism businesses affected by the move to alert level 2. Further details will be

published by the Welsh Government tomorrow, 23 December 2021, and we will be sending out a bulletin regarding the main points of the announcement.

The following measures, announced last week, will now come into effect on 6:00am Boxing Day:

- There will be a new set of reasonable measures for businesses and services, including a new rule on 2m social distancing. Shops, businesses and workplaces will need to make changes, including extra measures, such as one-way systems and physical barriers.
- Nightclubs must close

To read the statement in full, go to:

<https://gov.wales/strengthened-measures-to-keep-wales-safe-as-omicron-strikes>

A summary of revised Alert Level 2 regulations is available at:

<https://gov.wales/alert-level-2-summary>

## **FUNDING: £5.25m Cultural Winter Stability Fund established**

The Welsh Government has announced that it is making £5.25m available to assist Wales' arts organisations, museums, libraries and independent cinemas at risk of closure, or that jobs will be lost, unless further support is provided.

This risk must be as a direct result of the ongoing impact of Covid-19. The fund, which will cover the period from 1 October 2021 to 31 March 2022, opens for applications on 12 January 2022 and applicants will need to have submitted an online application no later than the deadline of 5:00pm on 26 January 2022. For the full statement, go to:

<https://gov.wales/525m-cultural-winter-stability-fund-established>

## **COVID-19: Lateral Flow Tests – LFT**

Everyone is urged to take LFT tests before mixing with others. LFTs are available for those without coronavirus symptoms and can be collected by yourself or your staff free from several collection points in Gwynedd. For more information, go to:

<https://www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/en/Residents/Emergencies/Coronavirus/Covid-19-Tests.aspx>

Useful information about the use of LFTs can be found at:

<https://gov.wales/lateral-flow-testing-people-without-symptoms>

Information about booking a COVID-19 PCR test for those with coronavirus symptoms can be found at:

<https://bcuhb.nhs.wales/covid-19/covid-19-testing/book-a-covid-19-test/>

## **COVID-19: Guidance for childcare and playwork: coronavirus**

Updated guidance about how to get your childcare service ready to allow more children to attend and protect them and your staff from coronavirus is available at:

<https://gov.wales/guidance-childcare-and-playwork-coronavirus>

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More useful information is available from:

## **Gwynedd Council – Business Support**

<https://www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/businesscovid19>

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## **Gwynedd Business Network**

<https://www.gwyneddbusnes.net/>

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## **Business Wales**

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