

# Cefnogi Busnesau yng Ngwynedd Supporting Businesses in Gwynedd



## **Gwynedd Business Support Bulletin 24.05.2022**

### **EVENT: Digital Skills & Careers Expo 7 June 2022**

North Wales Regional Skills Partnership and M-SParc will be hosting a Digital Skills & Careers Expo on 7 June 2022 (12:30pm-5:00pm). Employers in the digital sector will have an opportunity to share their views and network with young people with skills in digital and design who are looking for work. For more information and to register go to:

<https://bit.ly/39KRum3>

A reminder that the Skills Partnership are still looking for views from every business through their 2022 Employer Survey – share your thoughts before 31 May 2022 by going to:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/265JW3J>

### **TAX: Check if a letter you've received from HMRC is genuine**

Be wary of scams – a checklist of recent letters from HMRC is now available at:

<https://bit.ly/3PEixQI>

## **FUNDING: The Ashley Family Foundation**

The Ashley Family Foundation offers grants below £10,000 to support a broad range of arts, community and social welfare projects, with a particular interest in supporting rural communities in Wales. The next funding round will be in July 2022. For more information, go to:

<https://www.ashleyfamilyfoundation.org.uk/>

## **EVENT: FSB North Wales Small Business Conference 14 July 2022**

Booking is now open for the FSB North Wales Small Business Conference to be held at Hilton Garden Inn Snowdonia, Dolgarrog, on 14 July 2022. There will be an opportunity to talk to business support organisations and hear from keynote speaker, Sid Madge of mee.global, about how professional branding and marketing can help your business. For more information, and to book for this free event, go to:

<https://www.fsb.org.uk/event-calendar/fsb-nwsbc22.html>

## **EMPLOYMENT: National Living Wage and National Minimum Wage rates for 2022**

From 1 April 2022, the National Minimum Wage and National Living Wage rates have risen. Information about all the new rates is available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/national-minimum-wage-rates>

## **NEWS: Welsh Government Brilliant Basics Fund**

Gwynedd Council has received funding for two projects from the Welsh Government's Brilliant Basics Fund to upgrade facilities

and increase the benefit to the local economy from tourism. Parc Padarn, in Llanberis, will undergo a major upgrade to include EV Points, installation of bike racks and recycling bins and resurfacing the car park. The Aros-fan project will upgrade assets such as public car parks in 6 destinations across Gwynedd, located within walking distance to key towns, to develop a network of locations by spring 2023 that will create legitimate provision for 'overnight' parking and sleeping throughout the year for motor homes in the county. For more on this, go to:

<https://gov.wales/29-million-boost-wales-brilliant-basics-little-things-which-make-big-difference-holiday-experience>

## **FUNDING: Seafood Innovation Fund**

The UK government's Seafood Innovation Fund (SIF) is a research and development (R&D) fund that launched in July 2019. A fourth open call for applications will launch this summer. Find out how to apply at:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/uk-seafood-innovation-fund>

## **FUNDING: Heat Pump Scheme – information for installers**

UK Government grants of £5,000 are now available for homeowners choosing to replace fossil fuel boilers with low-carbon heat pumps. The scheme funding will be available through a simple application procedure that installers carry out on behalf of property owners, with the up-front funding taken off their quote. More information can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ditching-costly-gas-and-oil-is-cheaper-thanks-to-heat-pump-scheme>

Information for installers is available from Ofgem:

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/environmental-and-social-schemes/boiler-upgrade-scheme-bus/installers>

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More useful information is available from:

## **Gwynedd Council – Business Support**

<https://www.gwynedd.llyw.cymru/businesscovid19>  
<https://twitter.com/BusnesGwynedd>

## **Gwynedd Business Network**

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

## **Business Wales**

<https://businesswales.gov.wales/coronavirus-advice/>  
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