

Coronavirus Government Business Support Measure



Eligibility: all British businesses

Support Measures from Harrow Council	Eligibility	How to access the scheme
<p>For the latest information about support from Harrow council please check the COVID 19 page on the council's website</p>		
<p>Business Rates</p> <p>12-month business rates holiday</p> <p>Applies to all retail, hospitality, leisure and nursery businesses.</p>	<p>Your business is based in the borough</p> <p>Your business is in the retail, hospitality, or leisure sector, or a childcare nursery.</p>	<p>Administered by Harrow Council.</p> <p>This will apply to the next business rates bill in April 2020.</p> <p>The council may have to reissue your bill automatically to exclude the business rate charge. We will do this as soon as possible.</p>
<p>Cash grants for retail, hospitality and leisure businesses</p> <p>The Retail and Hospitality Grant Scheme provides businesses in the retail, hospitality and leisure sectors with a cash grant of up to £25,000 per property.</p> <p>For businesses in these sectors with a rateable value of under £15,000, they will receive a grant of £10,000.</p> <p>For businesses in these sectors with a rateable value of between £15,001 and £51,000, they will receive a grant of £25,000.</p>	<p>Your business is based in the borough</p> <p>Your business is in the retail, hospitality and/or leisure sector: wholly or mainly being used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • as shops, restaurants, cafes, drinking establishments, cinemas and live music venues • for assembly and leisure • as hotels, guest and boarding premises and self-catering accommodation • Your business was occupied on 1st March 2020 	<p>Please check the council website for how to apply – details will be available very soon.</p> <p>When applying please ensure you give the following details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type of business you run • Business rates reference number • Name on business rates bill • Full bank details as money will be paid by direct debit <p>Money will be paid to the trading account number <u>only</u> so you must ensure you provide the correct details.</p>

<p>Support for businesses that pay little or no business rates</p> <p>One off £10,000 help meet their ongoing business costs.</p> <p>Additional Small Business Grant Scheme funding for local authorities to support small businesses that already pay little or no business rates because of small business rate relief (SBBR), rural rate relief (RRR) and tapered relief.</p>	<p>Your business is based in the borough</p> <p>You are a small business and already receive SBBR and/or RRR</p> <p>You are a business that occupies a property Your business was occupied on 1st March 2020</p>	<p>Guidance for local authorities on the scheme will be provided shortly.</p> <p>Please check the council website for how to apply – details will be available very soon.</p> <p>When applying please ensure you give the following details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type of business you run • Business rates reference number • Name on business rates bill • Full bank details as money will be paid by direct debit <p>Money will be paid to the trading account number <u>only</u> so you must ensure you provide the correct details.</p>
<p>Pub Relief Scheme</p> <p>Pub Relief will be awarded - equivalent to upto £5,000 discount off the 2020-21 business rates bill for pubs with a rateable value below £100,000</p>	<p>Your business is based in the borough</p> <p>You are a small business and already receive SBBR and/or RRR</p> <p>You are a business that occupies a property.</p>	<p>Administered by local authority..</p> <p>This change is not reflected in the initial 2020/21 bill. An amended bill will be issued shortly to any qualifying business.</p>
<p>Planning rules relaxed</p> <p>Planning rules are being relaxed to allow pubs and restaurants to operate as hot food takeaways.</p>		<p>Please check the council website for further details which will be available very soon.</p>

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<p>For the latest information about support from the government please regularly check gov.uk</p>		
<p>Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme:</p> <p>All UK employers will be able to access support to continue paying part of their employees' salary for those employees that would otherwise have been laid off during this crisis – via HMRC online portal; HMRC will reimburse 80% of furloughed workers wage costs, up to a cap of £2,500 per month.</p>	<p>All UK businesses</p>	<p>Business to designate affected employees as 'furloughed workers, notify your employees</p> <p>Submit information to HMRC about the employees that have been furloughed and their earnings through a new online portal (HMRC will set out further details on the information required)</p> <p>HMRC are working urgently to set up a system for reimbursement. .</p> <p>Find out more about the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme and other financial support on GOV.UK.</p>
<p>Statutory Sick Pay relief package for SMEs</p> <p>Small-and medium-sized businesses and employers to reclaim Statutory Sick Pay (SSP) paid for sickness absence due to COVID-19.</p> <p>2 weeks' SSP per eligible employee who has been off work because of COVID-19.</p>	<p>All UK businesses.</p> <p>Employers with fewer than 250 employees will be eligible - of 28 February 2020</p>	<p>A rebate scheme is being developed.</p> <p>Further details will be provided in due course once the legalisation has passed.</p> <p>Find out more details</p>

<p>If you're self-employed or not eligible for SSP</p> <p>If you are not eligible for SSP – for example if you are self-employed or earning below the Lower Earnings Limit of £118 per week – and you have COVID-19 or are advised to stay at home, you can now more easily make a claim for Universal Credit or new style Employment and Support Allowance.</p> <p>If you are eligible for new style Employment and Support Allowance, it will now be payable from day 1 of sickness, rather than day 8, if you have COVID-19 or are advised to stay at home.</p>	<p>Self-employed</p>	<p>Apply for Universal Credit</p> <p>Read the full details on the Government's Employment and Support allowance</p>
<p>Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme</p> <p>This scheme offers loans of up to £5 million for SMEs through the British Business Bank Coronavirus Business</p> <p>It will have its interest free period extended from six to 12 months and will be available from Monday.</p> <p>Further measures will be bought forward for large and medium businesses.</p>	<p>Your business is UK based, with turnover of no more than £45 million per year</p> <p>Your business meets the other British Business Bank eligibility criteria</p>	<p>Rules of the Scheme and the list of accredited lenders is available on the British Business Bank website.</p> <p>All the major banks will offer the Scheme once it has launched. There are 40 accredited providers in all.</p>
<p>Deferring VAT and Income Tax</p> <p>VAT: the deferral will apply from 20 March 2020 until 30 June 2020.</p>	<p>All UK businesses</p> <p>If you are self-employed you are eligible</p>	<p>VAT: an automatic offer with no applications required.</p> <p>Businesses will not need to make a VAT payment during this period. Taxpayers will be given until the end of the 2020 to 2021 tax year to pay any liabilities that have accumulated during the deferral period. VAT refunds and reclaims will be paid by the government as normal.</p>

<p>Income Tax</p>		<p>Income Tax: For Income Tax Self-Assessment, payments due on the 31 July 2020 will be deferred until the 31 January 2021.</p>
<p>Support for businesses paying tax: Time to Pay service</p> <p>All businesses and self-employed people in financial distress, and with outstanding tax liabilities, may be eligible to receive support with their tax affairs through HMRC's Time To Pay service.</p> <p>These arrangements are agreed on a case-by-case basis and are tailored to individual circumstances and liabilities.</p>	<p>Your business pays tax to the UK government Your business have outstanding tax liabilities</p>	<p>If you have missed a tax payment or you might miss your next payment due to COVID-19, please call HMRC's dedicated helpline: 0800 0159 559.</p> <p>If you're worried about a future payment, please call us nearer the time. Time to Pay offer</p>
<p>A new telephone helpline to support businesses and self-employed people who are concerned about paying their tax due to coronavirus.</p>		<p>For any tax enquiries contact the HMRC helpline on 0800 0159 559. Also visit website - HMRC</p>