

BID4Oban COVID-19 Update 18 30th April 2020

We are keeping businesses updated with the latest information regarding the outbreak of Corona Virus. Stay safe.

Thursday Update:

Applications open for lifeline support schemes:

A £100 million package of additional grant support for small and medium sized businesses (SMEs) and newly self-employed people opens for applications later today.

The three separate funds will be administered by local authorities and Scotland's enterprise agencies and will begin to pay out grants in early May.

They include a £34 million hardship fund for the newly self-employed, a £20 million fund for small and micro enterprises in the creative, tourism and hospitality sectors and £45 million for viable SMEs crucial to the Scottish economy which are vulnerable.

Full details: <https://news.gov.scot/news/gbp-100m-funds-to-help-business?fbclid=IwAR2R080Snt8DOFsj7C25ImTxFnLoNnVyWPIONAZOXJS-4dbGjaKG6UTBD5o>

Social Distancing Guidelines for Retail:

The Scottish Retail Consortium has issued information for businesses regarding social distancing. BID4Oban will be meeting with Argyll and Bute Council next week to discuss potential ways in which some businesses can open safely. These are early discussions and we are not suggesting any business opens unless they are classed as essential or current rules have been relaxed.

Full details: <http://brc.org.uk/media/674528/social-distancing-stores-v1-april-2020.pdf>

OBAN TIMES OPEN FOR BUSINESS PAGES:

NEW! 30th April 2020. These pages are updated daily. If your business is not listed and you want it listed, please contact us via email.

www.obantimes.co.uk/openforbusiness/

http://www.bid4oban.co.uk/files/7315/8826/6584/Open_For_Business_Oban_Times_30.04.2020.pdf

Argyll and Bute Council:

Call centre number for any Corona Virus related issues - 01546 605524

Please see link to all the support that Argyll and Bute Council are offering to business community and a wider range of services on offer. This is a one stop shop for local services:

<https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/coronavirus-help-and-advice>

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