

BID4Oban Corona Virus Update 15 17th April 2020

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

Friday Update:

BUSINESS GRANTS:

Please see below the latest update from Argyll and Bute Council regarding business grants. The biggest issue at present is where businesses have not provided correct bank details, and this prevents them paying over grants in a timely manner. The council must have a copy of a bank statement from the last three months.

Please provide details of the bank account to which any funds should be paid. Applicants should also provide a scanned bank statement or image of the nominated online account dated within 3 months of the application date.

1056 applications have been processed. By grant type, 952 have been processed for the £10k grant with 899 approved, and 104 processed for the £25k grant, with 92 approved

£11.29m has now been awarded

1931 applications have been received

A news story highlighting the number of grants awarded has been posted on the Council website <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/news/2020/apr/business-grant-support-update>

Additional Grants

Additional Scottish Government support. The Council website has been updated to reflect the announcement and highlight that details are not yet available. Discussions continue to develop the detail of the £100m scheme and how it will be administered by local authorities and enterprise agencies

EXTRA SUPPORT FOR SCOTTISH BUSINESS:

Finance Secretary Kate Forbes has now said small chains will be able to claim extra cash for additional properties. Please see link to this information. There will be another process to go through to apply through local authorities. We will update with the link as soon as we receive it.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-52291998>

OBAN TIMES OPEN FOR BUSINESS PAGES:

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/6615/8628/3502/Open_for_Business_7.4.2020.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>

For all updates please visit our website:

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