



Weekly News & Information:

23/03/21



Areas you might want to consider include...

- **Notebooks and laptops** do your staff have systems that enable them to work quickly and effectively? Could current systems be upgraded, or do you need brand new systems?
- **Collaboration tools & training** we have all got used to using new tools during the lockdown, but do you have the right tools and licenses, and do your staff know how to get the best out of them?
- **Displays, cameras, keyboards, and mice** having the right kit at home make a huge difference to individual workers.
- **Cybersecurity** home connections need to be secure, so you should be using a VPN and have a suitable firewall in place to deal with malware and the potential for intrusion.
- **Data management** what's your policy on protecting data as it moves across connections and is stored on PCs and storage devices in the home?
- **Connection speed & bandwidth** home workers will need sufficiently fast connections and if they are connecting to on-premises servers, you will also need to make sure you have enough bandwidth at your location.
- **Voice services** making sure that everyone can stay in-touch and available at all times on their usual number, will be really useful.

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Independent Bookshop of the Year regional and country winners named

The oldest entry on the list is South-east England winner Sevenoaks Bookshop, which has been trading in the Kent town for 73 years. Owner Fleur Sinclair, who bought the shop in 2015, and her team tackled the challenges of lockdown restrictions in a thoroughly modern way, quickly building a brand new transactional website, greatly expanding its social media reach and moving its popular events stream online. So successful was Sevenoaks during its lockdown periods that it doubled its floor space when premises next door became available and it increased staff numbers.



WEBINAR Re-open & trade safely FRIDAY 9 APRIL 1-2 pm









Join representatives from Kent County Council Trading Standards, Environmental Health, KRF Enforcement, Kent & Medway Growth Hub and South East Water on Friday 9th April from 1-2pm.

This is an opportunity to ask the experts about the guidelines for re-opening your business. After short introductions, we'll move straight into a Q&A where the panel will answer your questions about:

- Businesses that can and can't open.
- Services vou can offer.
- · Preparing your business for re-opening.
- Keeping your staff and customers safe.
- Available Funding.

Sign up and submit your question to the panel. If you can't make the date, a recording will be made of the event and a link to the replay will be sent to you.

SIGN UP FOR WEBINAR

Latest updates for businesses affected by COVID-19





Please see the latest updates below including new guidance for businesses in the hospitality, accommodation and leisure sectors to check their eligibility for Restart Grants, updated guidance on the Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG) for local authorities and a call for views on the independent review of Destination Management Organisations.

Find out if your business is eligible for a coronavirus Restart Grant

The <u>Restart Grant scheme</u> supports eligible businesses in the non-essential retail, hospitality, leisure, personal care and accommodation sectors with a one-off grant, to reopen safely as COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. Businesses in the hospitality, accommodation, leisure, personal care and gym sectors may be entitled to a one-off cash grant of up to £18,000 from your local council.

Eligibility

Your business may be eligible if it:

- Is based in England
- Is rate-paying
- Is in the non-essential retail, hospitality, accommodation, leisure, personal care or gym sectors
- Was trading on 1 April 2020

What you get

Local councils will use their discretion to determine whether businesses meet the eligibility criteria for this grant scheme. Eligible businesses will be paid:

- A one-off grant of up to £18,000 in the hospitality, accommodation, leisure, personal care and gym sectors
- A one-off grant of up to £6,000 in the non-essential retail sector

Visit your local council's website to find out how to apply.

Coming soon to Sevenoaks' Wednesday Market...

We are **Package Less**



We are a mobile zero waste store; our aim is to sell products locally sourced where possible and without plastic packaging. We sell essentials like flour, pasta and rice as well as refillable liquids like hand soaps, washing up liquids and fabric

conditioners. You bring your jars, and we refill them.

- 1. Bring your own jars or tubs **OR** Buy one of ours
- 2. Weigh and Tare the Containers
- 3. Fill with the product of your choice
- 4. Weigh your Container again
- 5. The weight of your container is taken off, so you only pay for the product.





We also sell kitchen and bathroom basics, cookie jar mixes and other gifts. A very miniature home essentials shop on wheels. Look forward to seeing you from Wednesday 31st March www.packageless.co.uk

ARE YOU READY FOR THOSE JOBS IN HOSPITALITY?



We can even update your CV and have you interview coached and ready for those new vacancies.

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