

Latest announcements in today's New Briefing from Boris Johnson and Rishi Sunak

1. Bars, Pubs, Restaurants to close tonight and not to open on Saturday except for take away.
2. Nightclubs, Theatres and Gyms, & Leisure Centres to close tonight.
3. Government to pay wages – Jobs Retention Scheme
Available to all employers. Contact HMRC will cover 80% of salaries up to £2,500 per month.
Backdated to 1st March and open for three months.
First grants to be paid before end of April.
4. Business Loans scheme to be interest free for 12 months to be available on from Monday.
5. Next quarters VAT can be held over and paid later.
6. Full details will be advertised next week.
7. Universal credit to be increased by £1000 per annum.
8. Self-employed people can obtain universal credit
9. Next payment of tax for self-employed due July deferred to January 2020.
10. Extra Housing Benefit and Universal credit to increase to cover rent payments.