## PEMBROKESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL: LEADER'S CORONAVIRUS UPDATE, FRIDAY, 3rd APRIL

Pembrokeshire County Council Leader, Councillor David Simpson, has provided a further coronavirus update for Friday, 3rd April, as follows:

'It has been another very busy week for the Authority.

I want to highlight how we have been swiftly processing the Business Grant applications.

'The Council team is working hard to make business grants available as soon as we possibly can. Payments started on Wednesday of this week for those who qualify for grants linked to the National Non-Domestic Ratings (NNDR) system.

'We have already paid out around £2.5 million in grants to local businesses. Daily payment runs are being made in order that these funds can get into businesses bank accounts as soon as possible.

'With the weekend upon us, I urge you all to continue to adhere to the advice namely:

- avoiding all unnecessary contacts
- keeping a safe distance from one another.
- stay at home
- protect the NHS
- save lives

'Please only go outside for food, health reasons or work (but only if is not reasonably practicable to work from home); stay two metres (approximately six feet) away from other people and wash your hands as soon as you get home

'Remember, anyone can spread the virus.

'Press releases issued since my message yesterday are:

• Stay Safe and Respect The Countryside: <u>https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/newsroom/call-to-stay-safe-and-respect-the-countryside</u>

• Help Wanted To Create Face Masks: <u>https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/newsroom/call-goes-out-for-help-to-create-face-masks-for-nhs-staff</u>

Council Pays Out £2.5 Million in Business Grants:
<u>https://www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/newsroom/council-pays-out-and16325m-in-business-grants-to-date</u>

'Please everyone, adhere to Government advice, stay home, and keeping washing your hands. Stay Safe Thank you.'

Useful links:

- <u>www.pembrokeshire.gov.uk/coronavirus</u>
- <u>www.sir-benfro.gov.uk/coronafeirws</u>

- <u>https://phw.nhs.wales/</u>
- <u>lechyd Cyhoeddus Cymru Coronafeirws Newydd (COVID-19) Cyngor hunan-ynysu</u>
- https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance